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THIS COUNTRY AND CUBA.

Washington, Jan. 7.—One of the members of the foreign affairs committee of the house, when asked whether the recent successes of the insurgents in Cuba would hasten the recognition by this government of their rights as belligerents, said: "The state department is now preparing, in answer to a resolution of the house, copies of all the correspondence which has taken place about the rebellion. This will include letters from the Spanish minister. If those letters should prove to be bragging declarations that the Spanish forces would put the rebellion down in a week or two, it will have the effect of demonstrating to the house that the rebellion is now certainly beyond the control of the home government. The Spanish minister has admitted that his government now has on the island 100,000 troops, and yet the insurgents are within a few miles of Havana, the capital and principal city of the island.

"The difficulty we have to contend with in moving for the recognition of the patriots as belligerents is that they have no organized army and no fixed seat of government. Their plan has been not to have an army, for if their forces were concentrated the Spanish regulars would undoubtedly overwhelm them. Recognition by this government would only have a moral effect, whereas it now looks as if the insurgents were working out their own salvation without assistance from the outside world.

"If they continue their successful guerrilla warfare until next April, when yellow fever takes the field, it will be impossible to subdue them by any force which Spain commands. The civil leaders of the revolution, unfortunately for us, do not care to go through 30 or 40 years similar to the early experiences of Mexico, hence they are all for annexation to the United States. I doubt much whether our people are prepared at the present time to assume the government of Cuba with its mixed population fresh from Spanish rule, and generally unfitted for American citizenship.

"However that may be, it is evident that awaits on the island are approaching a crisis and we must be prepared to protect American interests, whatever our attitude may be toward the insurgents. For this reason, if for no other I am inclined to doubt the truth of the story that the administration has been preparing to use our North Atlantic squadron to make a demonstration in Turkish waters. We are liable to need our war ships to protect our interests on the island of Cuba.

"If the insurgents take possession of any of the large cities or should assume to control the civil government of the island, disturbance would inevitably follow, and American property interests in Cuba will be so endangered as to render the presence of ships absolutely necessary."

It is Mrs. Brightwen's privilege to be unusually well placed for the minute study of living creatures, and her pets have included lemurs, an ichneumon, squirrels, doves, owls, tortoises and so on. Squirrels and birds she has lured from the woods and won their affection by kindness, and in addition to giving many particulars about these she has something to say about studying nature, teaching children to be humane and the pleasures of insect observation, etc. That insect can discriminate between friends and enemies is, she holds, true, and she remembers once in a country village seeing a man hard at work thrashing corn in a barn, and quite near to him there was an immense hornets nest hanging from a beam. When asked if he was not afraid of them, he smiled and said: "Oh, they know me well enough. One of 'em fell inside my shirt the other day, but he was very ceevil and never stung me, for I never interfered wi' them, and they never interfered wi' me."—Westminster Budget.

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