

Asks Closing of Cuban Paper

By Cable to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

HAVANA, July 31—The Acera del Louvre Association today petitioned the Minister of the Interior to close *Diario de la Marina*, morning newspaper, "as a measure of public order and hemispheric defense." The association asserted that the paper was attempting to create ill feeling between Cuba and the United States. Since 1938 the association has been carrying on a campaign to improve relations between Cuba and the United States.