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Mail for the United States Searched by the Authorities—Strictures in Reference to Passengers Arriving in Havana—Protest of American Captains.

HAVANA, Sept. 12, 1892.

Yesterday as the mail for the United States to be sent by the Missouri was about being closed at the house of the consignees a force of the police entered and searched a number of persons bringing letters there and looked over the mail. It is stated that as the ship was passing out the harbor an official went aboard and demanded the mail. Some eight bags were produced, when, seeing the hopelessness of any attempt to overlook such a mass of matter, the officer gave up the idea of examining them. The object of the act was, no doubt, with a view of finding out who in the city are connected with the Cuban Junta.

The greatest possible strictures are used in the matter of landing passengers here. All are compelled to land at the Custom House, when they are searched and all correspondence, whether found in the baggage or on the person, of whatever character, is read. People coming here would, therefore, do well to leave behind all papers or letters not required by them, as they are certain to be overhauled and read.

The captains of the steamers Mariposa and Concordia, arriving yesterday, were compelled to land at the Custom House and were then searched. They afterwards went to the American Consulate and then entered a protest against the treatment.