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Lincoln, Neb., Sept. 13.—The reply of William J. Bryan to the statement of Roger Sullivan, of Chicago, was given out to-night. Mr. Bryan had not intended to lower the discussion with Mr. Sullivan to one of personal controversy.

Profound Interest at Washington in Cuban Situation—Request for Armed Force From Denver Stated to Have Been Made by American Charge at Havana.

Washington, Sept. 13.—The landing of one hundred of the blue jackets of the American protected cruiser Denver on Cuban soil and their camping in front of the Plaza de Armas, the little park in front of the presidential palace, which is the seat of the Cuban government.

CAUSED GREAT SURPRISE. The whole business was done so quietly and quickly that it caused the greatest surprise. The reason for the sudden landing of the American sailors was a conference between President Palma, Charge d'Affaires Sleeper and Commander Colwell this afternoon.

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HURRY ORDERS TO NORFOLK. Several Cruisers at Navy Yard There Getting in Readiness to Proceed to Cuba.

Norfolk, Va., Sept. 13.—There were several busy orders received here from Washington to-day that the dispatching of cruisers now at this station to Cuba.

Orders were issued by the commanders of the cruisers Newark, Tacoma and Cleveland, that all members of the crews who desired shore liberty to-day must report on board before 12 o'clock to-night.

TO PROTECT PALMA? The general impression here seems to be that it is the intention of the United States not only to protect American interests, but also the government of President Palma.

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