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Thanking the public for past patronage and soliciting a continuation of same,

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#### BLOWN UP FROM BELOW.

the New York Herald.

New York, February 25,-A dis. patch to the Herald from Havaner says: There is no longer any reasson to doubt that the explosion which wrecked the Mains ergon from under to the the test of the passed on any as follows: The that her imagazines had an him, care against: to do with the initial explosion, and played a much smaller part in the general disaster than was at first supposed.

The evidence that has served to onvince the board was obtained by Ensign Powelson, an officer at, tery with intent to kill. tached to the Fern.

Mr. Powelson was formerly in the construction corps, and took a two years' special course in the Glasgow School of Naval Architecture. He is, therefore, a competent witness. What he discovered was that the forward part of the keel of the Maine, with its ribs and plates, was stove upward so far that parts of the shattered double bottom show out of the water, and in places sections of the green painted outer hull are

Corroborative of evidence given by Ensign Powelson, and of equal tion made by the divers. What they found indicated that the explosion came from a point beneath the keel. A plumb line dropped from a point just forward of the conning tower would have laid the lead exactly on the spot where the explosion occurred that stove the keel and ribs almost to the surface. The main force of the explosion seems to have been exceedingly slight on the port side of the vessel. This is consistent with the facts hitherto ascer-

Collectively these now indicate that the contents of the reserve six-inch magazine were exploded by the initial blast and there was no explosion in either of the other two. In the reserve magazine was stowed 2,500 pounds of powder in copper tanks, each of which con-

tained 200 pounds.

Seven of the tanks have been found by the divers, all in crushed and shapeless masses. It is important to note that in the sixinch and ten-inch tanks recovered the excelsior used for packing the charges shows no injury from flame or gases. The powder stowed in the six-inch reservoir magazine was for saluting purposes only. The magazine itself appears to have been utterly destroyed, only a few traces being left to show spot where it was once located.

magazine is wholly inaccessible the school fund expected from age one fifth. Cultivate it better. to divers. In the upper part is tightly wedged a mass of powder the dispensary profits that as soon plements. Try reduced acreage cylinders, too heavy for divers to as the apportionment is made in and then plant in food products extricate, but apparently contain- Calumbia and we are notified of the acreage saved from cotton and ing exploded charges of powder. the same, we will apportion it to the close of 1898 will find the The Dow torpedo tube of the Maine has been located in the the several school districts and Southern farmer in better condition than he has known in a genwreck. It lies in the debris for notify trustees. There shall be no eration. under water.

the mud to the depth of eight the school on without any break feet. The divers sink to their but have failed. I can't say when armpits in the mud, and have the we will get it, nor how much we greatest difficulty in prosecuting their work. Those engaged in the will get.; forward part of the ship are under the charge of Gunner Charles Morgan, an officer especially detailed from the flag ship New York for that purpose, and who has the reputation of being the most efficient of his rank.

After five years of untold suffering from piles, B. W. Pursell of Knitners-ville, Pa., was cured by using a single box of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. Skin diseases such as eczema, rash, pimples and obstinate sores are readily cured by this famous remedy. Craw-

Work for The Court.

Evidences Before the Court of In- are busy getting ready for court The officers at the court house quiry Claimed to be Known to next week. The business on the criminal side of the court promises to be unusually large. There 252-22 indictments to go before the grand incv. Then there are che true bills that were continued from the last term, making a to of all eases to be disposed of this terms. The new billis to be

Will illush, house breaking. W. J. Walker, house breaking

Henry Mellwain, house breakus and largeray, 2 cases.

Lewis Peach, as suft and but

Dixon Love, violating dispensarv act.

Wm. Stogner, bastardy.

Lee Kennedy, assault and battery and assault and battery with in tent to kill.

James Barton, assault and battery with intent to kill.

Wylie Watson, Dock Watson, Abe Watson and Lawyer Watson, assault and battery with deadly weapons and Sunday riot.

Thomas Hendrix alias Jas. Hendrix, bigamy.

John Brooks and Nancy Sims atias Sis Sims, living together in adultery.

James A. Threatt, assault with intent to kill.

J. E. Rowell, assault and battery with intent to kill, and carrying concealed weapons.

Bill Nathan, grand larceny. John Lucas, Will Newman and Bill Montgomery, waylaying W. P. Blackmon and Thomas Black

Peter McPherson, arson.

W. M. Carnes, J. A. Carnes and A. T. Carnes, assault. Ben Charley Hinson, murder.

Joseph Harper, murder. John Horton, malicious injury

o trees. Joseph Thompson, violation

dispensary law. The bills carried over from the

last term as are against : Burwell F. Blackman and

Sarah Phillips, adultery. Samuel M. Bradley, breach of rust with fraudulent intent.

Seborn Stacks, selling liquor. Bud Belk, selling liquor. James R. Stephenson, incest.

For The Enterprise.

#### The Dispensary School Money.

space to say in answer to the merce. The upper part of the ten-inch many inquiries in reference to their own. Reduce cotton acreward submerged several feet delay on our part. I had hoped The hull is now imbedded in to get this money in time to run do this thing-Home and Farm.

Respectfully, W. B. BRUCE, Co. Supt. Education.

Children and adults tortured by burns, sealds, injuries, eczema or skin diseases may secure instant relief by using DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. It is the great Pile remedy. Crawford

-Another lot of New Ideal this office.



The Cotton Market.

At last the cotton market at Wm. Ruthelge, John Brice and home and abroad begins to show come improvement. In New York the price for this month has gone over 6 cents and runs to 64 cents for future deliveries.

This advance is not so much a benefit as it is a warning to the planters of the South. The strike in the New England mills continues, and every one realizes that this strike will do much to develop cotton manufacturing in the South. To check this it is proposed to have a national law establishing uniform hours of labor. It will not avail, but it will make a change in a grert industry.

This means much in a general way to the South, but the cotton planter cares little whether the raw material be manufactured in New England or North Carolina; with him the price is the thing. The price is in the hands of the producers of the South. Laws cannot control in this matter, and no tariff can protect the Southern farmer. But he can protect himself. The South controls the cotton markets of the world. The South by its crop fixes the prices. The crop this year is over 10,000,-000 bales; eight millions would have brought more money in the South.

Will each planter agree to reduce the cotton acreage 10 per cent? To plant 9 acres where he planted 10 in 1897? Better, will he make it eight? Let each neighberhood act and communicate with State agencies, and such a reduction leaving more land for corn and grass and cattle will give the planter 8 cents, where he has been getting but 4½.

Iron and coal, lumber and cotton manufacturing in the South are all improving. The outlook for general prosperity in the South brightens. Southern ports Mr Editor: Please allow me are all increasing their com-

Farmers of the South, will you





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