

THE MESSAGE

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The wounded were generously cared for by the authorities of Havana, the hospitals being freely opened to them. Tributes of grief and sympathy were offered from all official quarters of the island.

THE COURT OF ENQUIRY.

The usual procedure followed, as in all cases of casualty and disaster to national vessels of any maritime state. A naval court of inquiry was at once organized, composed of officers well qualified by rank and practical experience to discharge the onerous duties imposed upon them.

TWO EXPLOSIONS.

At the time the Maine was destroyed the ship was quiet and therefore least liable to accident caused by the movement of those on board. The destruction of the Maine occurred at 9:40. There were two explosions of a distinctly different character, with a very short, but distinct interval between, and the forward part of the ship was lifted to a marked degree at the time of the first explosion.

THE REPORT.

When the Maine arrived in Havana she was conducted by a regular government pilot to buoy No. 4, to which she was moored from five and one-half to six fathoms of water.

LIFTED FROM BELOW.

At frame seventeen the outer shell of the ship from a point 1 1/2 feet from the middle line of the ship and six feet above the keel when in normal position, has been forced up so as to be about four feet above the surface of the water therefore, it is about thirty-four feet above where it would be had the ship sunk uninjured.

IT WAS A MINE.

In the opinion of the court, this effect could have been produced only by the explosion of a mine situated under the bottom of the ship at about frame eighteen and somewhat on the port side of the ship. The court finds that the loss of the Maine on the occasion named, was not in any respect due to fault or negligence on the part of any of the officers or crew.

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THE REPORT.

Washington, March 23.—The report of the court of inquiry is as follows: "U. S. S. Iowa, Key West, March 21, 1898. After full and mature consideration of all the testimony before it, the court finds as follows: "1. That battleship Maine arrived at the Havana harbor January 25 and was taken to buoy No. 4 in from five and a half to six fathoms of water by the regular government pilot. The consul general at Havana notified the authorities on the previous evening of the intended arrival of the Maine."

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