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WHOLE No 1152

LOOKS MORE LIKE WAR.

**Southern Ports Being Put in Order—
What the Report Will Probably Be.**

The indications are more war-like now than at any previous period. During last week great activity has been manifested. Southern ports, it is believed, would be more open to Spanish depredations than any part of our national coast, therefore it seems the greatest energy is exercised in putting them in defensive condition.

The war department has re-arranged the army departments, making a Gulf department with headquarters at Atlanta, and abolishing the department of Texas. The reason is that Atlanta will be a more central point from which to operate in case of war.

The professional divers have been relieved and the committee is through with taking testimony.

The Army and Navy Register, in its issue of Saturday, says: "The Register is in possession of information, the correctness of which it has no reason to question, that certain evidence, gathered by the court of inquiry at Havana, has come in a semi-official form to the President from two prominent members of the board. The information has been in the hands of the President since Sunday and has served for the occasion of the unusual activity during the present week.

"The information is that the Maine was destroyed by a government submarine mine, planted in Havana harbor and deliberately exploded. More than this, it appears that the Maine was purposely moored in the vicinity of the mine, and that the explosion occurred at the moment when the ship had been opportunely carried by wind and tide directly over the mine. These facts have been hinted at and written about in dispatches from Havana and Madrid, and among the varied statements made the actual conditions have been touched upon, but nothing authoritative has been permitted to escape from the court.

"That body is understood to have completed its work, but nothing is likely to be officially promulgated in regard to its findings for a week or more. There is obvious reason for such action, the objects of which cannot be defeated by independent newspaper statements. There can be but one outcome of such a report, and preparations for the inevitable results are being industriously and indefatigably prosecuted. The work of the week shows that the government at Washington appreciates the situation and will be ready to meet what has now ceased to be a mere emergency."

The New York Sun, noted for reliability and freedom from sensation, also had news corroborative of the above on Saturday.

It looks very much now like the delay of the committee to report was utilized by the government to be ready for the worst.

The reasons advanced by the Spanish Captain Peral for claiming that the Maine blow up was accidental are completely met by an American officer, a graduate of a torpedo school. As for fish in the harbor it is said the divers do not find any in the foul waters of the harbor, dead or alive.

It is reported and denied that Spain has secured a \$60,000 loan.

The denial is most likely to be the truth.

The Imperial at Madrid in fiery and spiteful, rather than hopeful tones, contemplates what mischief Spain could do in the event of a war and says:

"If our flag falls into mourning, let us at least be able to put some pieces of crape on the Americans' obnoxious flag."

After years of untold suffering from piles, B W Pursell, of Knitersville, 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.—Gibson's Drug Store.

JAIL AND COUNTY HOME

**To Be Examined by a Committee of
Three of Our Men for the State
Board of Public Charities.**

Mr. W M Weddington, register of deeds, has received a letter from Mr. C B Denson, secretary of board of public charities, asking him to act as chairman of a committee of three of our citizens to inspect the several penal and charitable institutions of our county. This applies to the visiting of the county jail and our county home.

Their duty is to ascertain the condition and management of all jails, poor houses, work houses, etc., in the county.

It is left to Mr. Weddington to appoint two other men to assist him. The two selected are Dr. M L Stevens and Capt. J M Alexander.

Don't snuff others by your coughing, and risk your life by neglecting a cold. One Minute Cough Cure cures coughs, colds, croup, grippe and all throat and lung troubles.—Gibson's Drug Store.

POWDER PASSES THROUGH.

Four Car Loads—One Car of Ammunition for the Texas.

Four cars heavily loaded with powder of several different kinds, passed through Charlotte last night on its way to Key West. Other munitions of war will pass this way the first of next week.

This powder is being shipped to the different forts south and also to the ships in the fleets now anchored at Key West and Dry Tortugas.

In addition to the four cars of powder mentioned, another car bore a placard on which was printed, "Ammunition for U. S. Battleship Texas."—Charlotte News.

[We are informed from a freight conductor that there is now quite a demand for empty box cars in Washington and other northern cities for hauling ammunition and already three hundred have been taken up the Southern.]

Reid Pond Turned Loose.

Today (Monday) the Reid pond behind the residence of Mr. Joe Reed was turned loose. This is the place that the Town Commissioners have had some controversy about and which they ordered turned loose. The pond was found to contain quite a number of carp, which Mr. Reid had put in only a short while ago. The fish were all caught and put into another pool. One of the carp was a very large one and is thought to weigh at least twelve pounds. As the bottom of the pond dries off it will be cleaned out thoroughly.

PERSONAL POINTERS.

—Mr. J H Mason left Sunday night on a business trip.

—Mr. Kent Blair, of Charlotte spent Sunday in the city.

—Mrs. Dr. Register, of Charlotte, is visiting at the home of Judge Montgomery.

—Mr. Luke Johnston, of Mecklenburg county, was in the city this evening.

—Mr. Al. White, of Charlotte, is in the city today visiting relatives and friends.

—Mr. M J Corl will leave tonight for Norfolk and Richmond to buy another car load of horses.

—Mr. Ed. Creswell and Mr. Frazier, father of our townsman, Mr. Charley Frazier, spent Sunday in the city.

COTTON SEED

For Cows

FOR SALE BY

**Ervin & Morrison
GROCERS**

Once a Cabarrus Boy.

THE STANDARD has received a most nicely written description of a marriage that took place at North Brookfield, Nova Scotia, on Wednesday evening, February 16th, when Mr. Gustavus O Thies was married to Miss Mildred Burke. The ceremony took place at the home of the bride. From the description we note that Mr. and Mrs. Thies will be at home in North Brookfield for a few months but for the rest of the future they have other plans.

We regret very much that we can not publish the letter verbatim, but the person's real name is not signed, which, according to newspaper rules, debar it from print. The signature is "One Present."

Mr. Gus Thies is known by quite a number of people in this county, his father, Capt. A Thies, having lived in our county for twelve or fifteen years.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25 cents.

Col. John H Long spent Saturday in the city, and told us of a family of four maiden ladies a few miles below his home. They are the Misses Clonts about 80 years of age. One was paralysed some ten years ago and received the special care of her older sister, who, he thinks, was named Catherine. The latter died within the last week and the two unparalysed ones are sick, beside Mr. Milton Clonts, who lives with and provides for them, has a child at the point of death. It is a truly afflicted family, though well-to-do and want nothing but health. He also reported the serious illness of Mrs. William Crowell.

Returned From Northern Cities.

Mrs. Dr. Marsh and Messrs. Will Stuart and D P Dayvault have returned from Northern cities where they have been buying goods for the respective establishments.

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Latest Shapes
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