EVANS AGAIN RESPITED.

Additional Evidence in His Case Before the Governor-Work Begun on the Raleigh and Cape Fear Railroad-A Supposed Case of Forgery

(Special to The Messenger.) Raleigh, N. C., February 23.-Work the Raleigh and Cape Fear railway began today at Caraleigh mills, a mile south of Raleigh.

The governor respites John Evans, of Rockingham, until March 26th. The reasof given is that a mass of newly discovered evidence is laid before the governor and requires time to consider. There are, his private secretary tells me,

250 letters and thirty affidavits. Among today's arrivals are: James A Bryan, of New Bern; W. L. Steele, of Rockingham, and G. H. Smith, of Wil-

The police here are looking for James. Langdon, of Philadelphia, son of Samuel P. Langdon, once, part owner of the coal mine at Cumnock, Young Langdon insigned by S. P. Langdon, and left here Saturday. Today the check was return-

The sheriff of Sampson county brought to the penitentiary a long term convict named Faison, convicted of manslaugh-

Judge Ewart's criminal jurisdiction. ernor Russell's lawyers appear to feel pretty certain that the lease of the Atlantic and North Carolina railway will be consummated.

After years of untold suffering from and left the after-part almost unharmpiles, B. W. Pursell of Knitnersville, was cured by using a single box of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. Skin d seases such as eczema, rash, pimples and obtinate sore are readily cured by this famous remedy. ... R. Bellamy.

Held for Burglary

(Special to The Messenger.) Raleigh, N. C., February 23 .- Ardell, or Young, allas W. P. Hayes, alias Gittirgs, the burglar, was sent to jail today by Mayor Russ without ball privilege, had rich and influential friends in New York, who would aid him, He registered the Petersburg chief of police asks the dence as to his crime here is insufficient. It is sufficient to send him to the penitentlary for twenty years.

There are three little things which de more work than any other three little things created-they are the ant, the bee and DeWitt's Little Early Risers, ast being the famous little pills for stomach and liver treables. R. R. Bellamy.

A Merry Dance Tonight

Harmony Circle will give one of delightful dances tonight in its commodi-The affair promises to be one of much pleasure and enjoyment. Professor Miller's orchestra will fur-

nish concert and terpsichorean music. Contents of Third Page

Comparative description of American state university .- Robert Hangock's letter charging Governor Russell with having urged him to assault Josephus Dan-

The Tourists at Naples A telegram to The Messenger states that the steamship Aller, with the Rev.

When a man is suffering with an aching head, a sluggish body, when his muscles are lax and lazy, his brain dull, and his stomach disdaining food, he will, if wise, heed these warnings and resort to the right remedy, before it is too late. "Parker's Sarsaparilla," the "King of Blood Purifiers," makes the appetite keen and hearty-invigorates the liver-purifies the blood and fills it with the life-giving elements of the food. It is a wonderful blood maker, and flesh builder. Sold by J. C. Shepard, J. H. Hardin and H. L. Fen-

To Inspect South Atlantic Forts New York, February 23 .- Major Genera Merritt, commander of the department of the east, leaves today for an inspec-tion of the defences on the Atlantic coast south of New York. His route is under-stood to include Atlanta, New Orleans Mobile, Pensacola and Savannah, those cities being visited in the order named Through one of his aides the general an nounced that his trip was his regular an lation for about two months.

Whooping cough is the most distressing malady; but its duration can be cut short by the use of One Minute Cough Cure, which is also the best known remedy for croup and all lung and bronchial troubles. R. R. Bellamy.

Activity at Fort Thomas

Cincinnati, February 23.—There has Kentucky, for some days. While all the troops were under special discipline with extra drilling, Colonel Cocarane, the commander, and other officers refused to he interviewed. Today the troops were supplied with 150 rounds each.
Battery B., of the Ohio national guard. der Captain Herman, today advertised

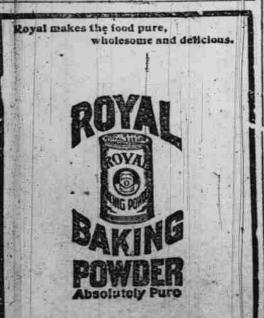
Hart's Emulsion of Cod Liver Oil with Creosote and the Hypophosphites, if faithfully used, is a specific in the treatment of weak lungs, Consumption, Bronchittis, etc. Leading physicishs recommend it. Sold by J. C. Shepard, J. H. Hardin, and H. L. Fen-

Warships at Mare Island Vallejo, Cai., February 23.-There are Charleston, Yorktown, Philadelphia, Pen-sacola, Hartford and Adams, A number mechanics who have been at Port Orehard have returned and will assist hi rushing to completion repairs to the various ships at the yards.

Wreckers' Preparations

eston. Mass, .: February 23.-The crew of the Underwriters worked hard all day in getting aboard stores, and late this evening the tug left for New York. She will leave New York Friday afternoon and it is expected she will reach Havana about next Wednesday. Her crew will

consist of seventeen men.



FURTHER EVIDENCE

OF THE MAINE'S WRECK BY OUT-SIDE EXPLOSION

The Boiler Explosion Theory Exploded. Condition of Forward Plates Negative Explosion of the Magazine-Submarine Mines Existed-Shells Found Unexploded. Suspicious Facts as to Mooring of the Vessel-Belief That it Was Work of Span.

Washington, February 23 .- The ar-

rival of a mail in Washington from

Key West this afternoon bringing several letters from naval officers lately áttached to the Maine caused a wave of excitement at the departments and the capitol; for there were all sorts of rumors as to the contents of the letters, very few of which rumors in point of fact had any sound basis. The only duced a friend to endorse a \$200 check | feature so far as could be discovered of real importance as throwing light: on the cause of the explosion, contained protested. The endorser thinks there ed in the letters, was the statement that the two after boilers in the afterboiler space were all of the eight boilers of the Maine that were under steam at the time of the explosion. This fact had a negative value, for it disposed at once of the theory that any exploding boiler had caused the wreck. The experts all say that by no possibility could the after-boiler explosion

Much interest was shown in a dispatch received shortly before 3 o'clock from Admiral Sicard, giving the recommendation of Captain Sampson, of the court of inquiry, as to the raising of the wreck. The view of naval officers was that Captain Sampson and his associates were giving this advice, not as a court, but as officers in a position to speak as to the best methods to be adopted for raising the Maine. Various interpretations were put on the expression "forward half completely destroyed." This was regarded as a mest of trial until March 7th, saying he partial confirmation of the theory that

the forward magazine had exploded, as that is one of the most important here from New York. A telegram from portions of the forward half of the ship. At the same time, it was held ship did not necessarily mean that the forward magazine had exploded, as this might be still intact, although a part of the general wreckage. In the absence of an explicit statement as to the forward magazine there was a disposition not to accept any implied statement as to its destruction. Captain Sampson's recommendation that a contract be made with the best

equipped wrecking company, to remove the material and lift the ship without delay, was in line with the action already taken in closing a contract with the two largest wrecking concerns in the country, by which their combined facilities will be at the service of the government. The conwreckers to use their utmose efforts of the contract itemizes the amounts to Evening Post, and said: be paid for each branch of wrecking work, viz: Wrecking tug Underwriter, \$150 per day; wrecking steamer Jones,

Evidently the president of the court of inquiry is fearful of the effect upon of bureaus of the anvy department bodies have been found under the forthe public of ill-judged attempts to was held at the office of the secretary account for the destruction of the of the navy at 10:30 o'clock this morn- removed, owing to the mass of chairs party, arrived at Naples, Italy, last Sun-Maine, for he telegraphed Secretary ing to devise means for the relief of and wreckage in the way. Long, doubtless having in mind certain the families of the sailors who lost PLATES OFF THE BOTTOM OF THE publications of this morning, as fol-

'Havana, February 23, 1898. is untrue. Every precaution has

This brief statement disposes of all the allegations that have been made pro and con as to the blowing up of

the forward magazines. SPONTAINEOUS COMBUSTION

THEORY. The officers here are still thinking of Captain Sigsbee's request of yesterday to be furnished with the plans of the Maine's section through the magazines and coal bunker pockets. The refer- the wreck is such as to require most ence to the latter is particularly interesting and leads to a desire to be quality of the coal supply at the time of the ship against gunshots as for capacity to hold coal. One expert said that these bunkers in his own experience have not been emptied in months. All of this has to do with the spontaneous combustion theory, as the bunkhave set off even the safe brown powder, if the latter were exposed to a degree of heat above 600 degrees for some time. The request, besides, may show that Captain Sigsbee is not yet satisfied as to the cause of the explosion, notwithstanding the expressions

that have been attributed to him by unauthorized persons. One of the private letters received here today, in speaking of the disaster, says it was all over in five minutes. The writer was ashore and heard the the noise. He hastily took a boat and started for the Maine, arriving there in about twenty-five minutes. Then all was quiet and smooth and, in fact, as he said, in five minutes after the in Cuba:

blast the Maine was in about her pressent condition. navy department over the report of Admiral Sicard's health. It is said, however, that there was no occasion that it was an accident abaltic are that the probabilities are that the probabilities are that the probabilities are that the probabilities are that it was an accident abaltic and dry gun action at a mine of the probabilities are that it was an accident abaltic and dry gun action at a mine of the probabilities are the probabilitie Some solicitude was expressed at the however, that there was no occasion that it was an accident seem to de- foreign war vessel was directed to for relieving him new; that the flag- crease with the progress of the investiship New York is not to leave Key gation. The most intense anxiety is West, and even if she should, Captain shown by the Spanish officials here, Sampson of Captain Taylor can as- who are in constant communication the admiral takes the two weeks' leave | relations with the United States were voluntarily returned to his placy, A formal order was made out this and look after the government's in-Maine progressed. It has been arrang-

ed that he shall be subsisted on board one of the wrecking steamers. THE TERROR STILL AT NORFOLK. The big double turreted monitor Terror remains under orders to stay in Hampton Roads until further notice. It is likely that she will be sent to take the place of the Maine in the North Atlantic squadron, if not needed elsewhere immediately. The officials, however, are loath to encumber the battleships and speedier craft with the Perror as she might retard the execu-

tion of manoeuvres. A HINT FROM CONSUL GENERAL

LEE. Consul General Lee, in the course of by Captain Sa pson, president of the riendly talk in Havana with Americourt. The captain says he has no friendly talk in Havana with Americans may have expressed the view that there are at present other places more desirable as resorts for persons who have no particular business there than Havana, but the state department authorizes the announcement that it has not yet been advised that he has either officially or semi-officially delivered himself of any expression on the sub-ject. The Spanish legation also dis-credits reports that General Lee has given any such warning. It is also said at the department that no message has been conveyed to the owners

The battleship Texas and the gunboat Nashville will leave Galveston, Texas, today for Key West, where they will rejoin the other vessels of Admiral orders for this movement were sent by the navy department, as it is stated that it is in accordance with the orders given several weeks ago by which the wo ships were directed to remain at Galveston from the 17th to the 23rd instant to participate in the Mardi Gras celebration there and return to present movement is said to have no not made known.

ton for Key West, the Marblehead will leave New Orleans and the Detroit will distant. leave Mobile for Key West. These movements are also a part of the orders given early this month, before the Maine disaster. The Montgomery is also due at Key West, having left San Domingo for Key West on The result will be to bring tounder Admiral Sicard at Key West the immediate vicinity. These will be the New York, now at Turtugas; the Indiana, Massachusetts, Texas, Iowa, Marblehead, Detroit, Nashyille, Montgomery, Ericsson and Cushing. The torpedo boats Porter and Dupont are in drydock at Mobile, and are not expected to be ready to go to have wrecked the forepart of the Maine. Key West for several days. The Brooklyn is also cruising in the West Indies, at present en route from St. Thomas to Vera Cruz.

The noon mail brought to Secretary Long a letter from Admiral Sicard at Key West. The admiral wrote that he has not recovered his health and will be unable to go to sea with the squadron. He will remain on shore at his hotel in Key West and retain command of the squadron from that place so long as it remains in harbor there, relinquishing it only when it becomes necessary for the vessels to goeto sea as a squadron. Should the squadron be ill at Key West and the senior officer of his fleet, Captain Sampson, engaged in the investigation at Havana, prob ably the command of the squadron would devolve upon Captain Taylor, now commanding the battleship Massachusetts, and commonly regarded as one of the brightest and brainiest officers in the mayal service. At the Spanish legation affairs have again resumed their normal aspect, Senor du Bosc has received no reports of any character concerning the Maine or the progress made by the Spanish authorities at Havana in investigating the occurrence.

AID FOR FAMILIES OF THE VIC-

TIMS. Assistant Secretary Roosevelt today received a postal order for \$1 from The Evening Post Publishing Company, of Bridgeport, Conn., with a statement triotic little girl of Bridgeport, Conn., tract contains a clause binding the who desired to help some other little to expedite the work, so that the de- Maine. The girl's name is Lalla Cook.

"Through you I want to thank little Lalla Cook for her gift and to say that it shall be used just as she delighter Seymour, \$75; derrick sires, and that the people in the mavy is slightly worse. The divers have been along line of new staper men anxiously \$75; barge Lone Star, \$50; wreck- are glad that the little American girl continuously at work, but the results awaiting his approval Chief, \$75; barge Lone Star, \$50; wreck- are glad that the little American girl ing tug Right Arm, \$200; Wreckmaster, should have thought of the children of of their labors, so far as these would of their matter and his affixing of the \$15; wreckers, \$4.50 each; divers, \$20 the American sailors who were drown- throw light on the cause of the exploed while doing their duty.'

A meeting of the wives of the chiefs their lives by the wreck of the Maine. The newspapers of the city were re quested to state that all persons de-"Any reported interview with divers siring to contribute to this fund should communicate with Mrs. Stewart at today discovered, it is said, that the been taken. 'An officer is always pres- 1315 New Hampshire avenue. A form armor plates projecting from the waof circular inviting contributions was ter forward near the bow were from submitted and approved, and copies or- | the bottom of the ship. There is a good dered to be sent to all navy yards, deal of speculation as to what caused stations and vessels of the navy. Secretary Long received the follow-

ing telegram from Admiral Sicard: "Key West, February 23 .this morning. Captain Magee seems | ship forward of the 10-inch turret. to be an experienced man who will be FURTHER PROOF OF EXTERNAL able to give good advice. Captain Sampson wires me the condition of powerful appliances the can procure. The court recommends informed on the exact quantity and a contract with the best equipped wrecking company to remove material of the explosion. It is said that these and lift ship without delay. The forpocket-bunkers are rarely emptied, be- | ward half is completely destroyed, the in minor matters."

> DENT. Sensational reports having been circulated that Senator Hanna had expressed the belief that a conflict be-

tween the United States and Spain was imminent, the attention of the senator was called to them. He emphatically denied them, saying: "I do not believe there is anything in the Maine incident or in our relations to Spain regarding Cuba that will lead to BELIEVED TO BE PLOT OF SPANwar. I am firmly of the opinion that the explosion of the Main was due to an accident, and I think that the naval court of inquiry will reach the same UNEASINESS AMONG THE SPAN-

The Evening Star has received the

following from its staff correspondent "Havana, Feb. 23rd, via Key West. gresses along definite lines. The re- disaster, if there were any outside

sume charge of the squadron while with Madrid. They realize that the to recuperate from his malarial fever, 'never so much in danger of rupture as which he was about to enjoy when he now. This is the general feeling. The commercial classes here are hopeful of American intervention on peaceful afternoon for Lieutenant Commander lines, but on what they base their hopes Wainwright to take station at Havana is unknown. The insurgents continue to win minor military successes. The terests while the work of raising the autonomists are restless and some of the leaders seem on the point of breakthe leaders seem on the point of breaking away from the government. Army officers continue to show an anti-American sentiment. They are ap- for parently the only class that does not

look for an early crisis."

THE COURT OF INQUIRY Havana, Feb. 23.-The United States court of inquiry into the loss of the Maine met this morning at 10 o'clock and examined Dr. Honeberger, Paymaster Ray and Chief Engineer Howell, of the battleship. There was a recess ordered at noon, and it lasted until 1:30 o'clock p. m. Several witnesses' whose names are not now obtainable, were examined during the afternoon. Another visit was made to the wreck idea of the length of time the court will remain in session here. It all de-pends upon the testimony, and new features requiring further investigation may be devloped at any time. Captain Sampson added that sooner or later, every survivor of the Maine would be examined by the court, which

seems to imply that sessions for that purpose will be held at Key West. DEVELOPMENTS, BY THE COURT KEPT SECRET Although this information is meagre, of the

WILMINGTON, N. C., THURSDAY, PEBRUARY 24, 1898.

The Right Arm, of the Merritt and Chapman Derrick and Wrecking Company, is moored about 200 yards from Sicard's squadron at that point. No tug looks powerful enough to move a the poop of the Maine. The wrecking mountain, yet it is reported that she is not supplied, owing to her hurried departure for this port, with all the apparatus she needs for the work which is before her. Captain McGee, the commander of the Right Arm, has reported to Captain Sigsbee, as ordered by Key Wes on the latter date. This was der Captain Sigsbee's orders, which the navy department, and will act unbefore the Maine disaster, so that the are not yet formulated, or at least, are

A strong wind today made the harbor rough and added to the difficulties Simultaneous with the departure of of the divers, as the electric lights are the Texas and Nashville from Galves- worked from a battery on board the lighthouse tender Mangrove, 200 yards

> The wounded are doing well. The Olivette may take two bodies to the United States this afternoon. The identity of the corpses is not known at present. It is reported that five bodies, probably of firemen, were found under the hatch leading to the fire room today. Those engaged in examining the wreck of the battleship Maine hope today to settle the question definitely as to whether the 10-inch magazine on the starboard side forward blew up. It is suggested a warship is not easy to get about in even when affoat, and the difficulties are, therefore, much greater when such a ship is wrecked, and under water. This accounts for the slowness of the results of the divers' work.

> Miss Clara Barton, president of the Red Cross society in the United States, was formerly noted. The survivors here of the Maine received today their warship was destroped. A large quantity of clothing has been taken from the wreck, and after it has been disinfected it will be given to the reconcentrados. The bodies of the missing offiers, Lieutenant Jenkins and Assistant Engineer Merritt, have not been recovered. The divers reached the former's room, but it was found that his body was not there.

> Thus far the sharks have given no trobule, but the vultures have three men who were entangled in the debris very near the surface of the water. The bodies were not noticed by amy one until the foul birds had completed their ghastly work. From the hand of one Chaplain Chadwick removed a deeply chased gold ring for purposes, of identification. Chaplain Chidwick says that the total number of missing is eighty-five or eighty-six. and five have died in the hospital. Of the missing, doubtless some were blown to atoms, no portions of their bodies being recovered, and there is much doubt that any considerable number of those whose remains are now

being removed will be identified. LEE NOT TO LEAVE HAVANA ed a number of dispatches today inquiring as to the accuracy of the re- of the correspond his and quadruples partment feels that everything has Assistant Secretary Rosevelt wrote am been done to carry out the views exacknowledgement of the receipt of the pressed by Captain Sampson. A clause money to the editor of The Bridgeport meet Senator Proctor, says he has no primitive and the york of visiting the present intention of doing so.

Today has been the quietest since the explosion. The wounded are all doing well except Frederick C. Holzer, who sion, are kept strictly for the court of inquiry. It is reported that twenty ward hatch, but only three have been

The officers of the court of inquiry during their inspection of the wreck this, many contending that the position of the plates shows that the big magazine forward did not explode. The divers, it is believed by many, will "The Right Arm arrived at Havana | find very little of the structure of the

> EXPLOSION. The situation, which may be changed at any time by fresh discoveries, may be summed, when this dispatch is sent this afternoon, substantially as fol-

The divers having discovered cases of brown hexagonal powder for the ing designed as much for the protection after half is apparently, intact except 10-inch guns unexploded, and believing also that others unexploded will be found in the 10-inch magazine on the HANNA SAYS IT WAS AN ACCIstarboard side forward, the conviction grows that this magazine did not blow up. If this be so, and many have insisted from the first that it is, the further conviction is forced that the explosion which wrecked the Maine came from the outside on the port bow. 'As previously wired, the main portion of the wreck, as seen from above and noted below was blown to gtarboard.

> The highest American officials here are confident that General Blanco and the other high Spanish officials had no knowledge, direct or indirect, of the conception or execution of a plot to blow up the Maine, if such a plot existed, but they believe the junior Spanish officers, who, from the nature of things, are more conversant with modern explosives than their elders and superiors, were at the bottom of the anchor, such a mine communicating with an electric battery on the shore It is regarded as an interesting point that the Maine, for the first time during her stay in the harbor, lay at the particular spot where she was at the time of the catasthrope, and it is said, though not officially verified, that the

the troubles in Cuba grew acute. SIGSBEE'S RIGID DISCIPLINE. All stories as to lax discipline on the the rigidity of his rules and the strictness with which he enforced them. Moreover, the Maine has been in commission for years and never had a serious accident until anchored in this quiet harbor.

Maine was the first foreign warship

moored to this particular buoy since

IT WOULD MEAN WAR. In reply to a question put by this

correspondent to a high American of-

in question said; "Sir, the American people could not be restrained. I mean war. Still, I doubt whether it would be necessary to fire a shot. Admiral Sicard could anchor the Iowa, the Indiana, the Massachusetts and the New York outside of Havana harbor to prevent the ingress of the food supplies, without which the ofty could not exist a fortnight. Cuba is a waste of ashes and desolation. Even the hotels and cafes here in Havana live from hand-to-mouth, on supplies brought from the United States. Admiral Bleard, definanding the surrender of Havana, giving twenty-four hours for the removal

of American vessels at New Orleans or elsewhere that it would not be safe for them to visit Cuban ports at this time.

MORE WARSHIPS BOUND FOR KEY

WEST.

The bettleship Taxes and the gunboat

it is absolutely all Captain Sampson would follow. The forts and old structures could be definished by a country of the Associated Press sees him by appointment twice daily, but there is a rigid rule to observe silence until the facts in the case have developed through the testimony presented.

The bettleship Taxes and the gunboat who represent 80 ter cent. of the prop-erty and pay 73 per cent. of the taxes of the island, would compel him to ac-cede to Admiral 8 card's terms. As for the volunteers, the men are for the most part the employees of these merchants and the volunteers are largely their sons or their junior partners. It is well to look these things in the face. At the same that it is well for the Americans to rest ain themselves until there is some the of an outside agency of explosis to we can afford to wait a little longer, seeing that we have waited so ing. We could not

have waited so ling. We could not wait after it had mice been proven that the Maine disaster was the result of a dastardly plot. Spanish officers from the old country had to the unaccountable belief that the arms would overcome us in a few eeks, but the Cuban merchants have it such delusion, and they would control the situation. Hence I believe that no shot from a big American gun vil be necessary." The sentiments i rirly represent those of the best inferred Americans here.

Any moment, however, may chronicle discoveries at the wreck that would change all this. One thing seems certain: If the Main, was blown up by an outside agent who agent was an outside agence, the agent was a mine and not a to pedo, as no torpedo known could have produced such tre-

medous results. The explosion continues the main topic in all circles art especially American. It is useless to deny that many believe in an ourside agency. These assert that even a cursory examina-tion of the wreek shows conclusively that the disaster sould not have origi-nated from within it is pointed out that the Maine magazine forward was filled with brown hexa i and powder in prop-er cases and would be slow to ignite, while all the high explosives were aft. It is generally criceded that neither the boilers, the elastic wires, nor spontaneous combustion could, from the very condition of things, be respon-The wreck has ank several feet already in the soft rud and will prob-

ably continue to sattle. SUBMARINE NES EXISTED. An American officer of rank sufficient to entitle him to take command of a ship is authority for the statement that a Spanish naval officer some time ago sold to the Washington state department a map of Havana harbor, showing submarine in hes. The Spanish residents deny the statement and say that the mines exist only in imagination. The Cubank in the other hand, claim that there are mine galleries under the harbor lead g from subterran-

der the harbor lead, g from subterran-ean passages, kher n to have existed for years between fort Cabanas and Morro Castle and this port. General Blance, on the night of the disaster was stong with General Marinas, in the corridor of the palace. When he heard the explosion he jump-ed from his chair exclaiming "At last they have put a shell in the pal-The censorship is very strict and ac-

cording to a recent order all dispatches must be submitted in Spanish as well as English. This joubles the trouble ships in the harber is tedious. At the palace during the hours when Lieu-tenant Colonel Mcidez, the censor is present, there always be found official stamp.

THE SEMINARY CONCERT. Fine testrumental and Yocal Music-Industrial Notes

(Correspondence of The Messenger.) Fayetteville 2. C., February 23. Rev. Mr. Verdel, principal of Red Springs Female minary, accompanied by Mrs. Verdell, wart of the faculty, a large number of the students and many friends from Roll Springs and points along the line of allway, visited Fay-etteville by special rain yesterday after-noon, giving an in trumental and vocal concert in the oper house.

The performance was very fine, the piano recitals being a most gratifying guarantee of the egiclency of the instrumental instructor at the Red Springs Seminary, Miss Mince, well entitled to be classed as the star" on the pro-gramme, has a silvery voice, perfectly true, bell-like in calcriess and seemingly of limitless compass. With so much to of limitless compart. With so much to praise, surely this correspondent may be pardoned for regre, mg that the development of the dramage and histrionic talnet, with which very gifted musician is endowed, has been reglected in her case. Reinforced by the enlitivation of these qualities. Miss Make would hardly have a peer in North travolina. The vocal quartette was discriptful, and was repeatedly encored. The Phoenix Co on Mills Company lately reorganized already showing the salutary effects of new blood and new salutary effects of new blood and new life. The day is not far distant when the hum of its mathinery will swell the volume of industry vibrant music.

The bleachery, forstioned by your correspondent a few days since, is slowly gathering form art shape. It is one of the pressing needs of the milling world of North Carolina, and no point is comparable to Fayette the in the advantages offered. offered. Mr. W. L. Holt is terracing and other-

Mr. W. L. Holt is terracing and other wise beautifying I is Haymount lot, and will erect a beautiful dwelling thereon. Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Menege will, it is learned, soon occupy the residence of Colonel J. B. Star in Haymount.

The Young May German Club, which always manages it is musements in excellent taste, gave to peasant dance at the armory on Monday right.

"In a minute" and dose of Hart's Es-sence of Ginger will relieve any ordi-nary case of Co le, Cramps, or Nausea. An unexcelled femedy for Diarrhoea, Cholera Morbus, Summer complaints not be impossible to plant a mine of and all internat pains. Sold by J. C. wet and dry gun cotton near where a Shepard, J. H. Hardin and H. L. Fen-

Captain Entrie in No Hurry New York February 23.—Sensational reports that the Licaya's officers had ordered that coalcae taken aboard in haste, and that men had been kept at work day and might in this service were authoritively denied today. On the contrary, he more dispatch has been used in coaling than is usual, and no efforts will be reade to complete the loading of the 900 pons required by the cruiser, before abmorrow. It was cruiser, before Ibmorrow, It was learned at the Spinish consulate that Captain Eulate hat received no sailing orders. He was indered, before leaving Las Palmas of spend one week in American waters, refore sailing to Havana and up to just time has received no instruction conflicting with this order. order.

A thrill of terre a experienced when a brassy coust of croup sounds through the hour at night. But the cial as to what the outcome would be if it were proved that the disaster was due to an outside agency, the official in question said:

| Correspondent to a high American the disaster was the country of the country of

The Monte mery's Haste The Montg mery's Haste

Tampa, Fla., Fe't vary 23.—The cruiser

Montgomery arriv d here this morning
from San Doming direct with Chief
Crowinshield, of the board of navigation, on board, w at once left for
Washington. Chief Crowinshield refused
to say anything though this trip, or his
haste. Captain 25 coult his trip, or his
haste. Captain 25 coult his trip, or his
cruiser to go to West at once, and
took on a supply a coul and water. The
cruiser will proper y sail tomorrow. RUSSELL AND HANCOCK

FURNISH THE LATEST POLITI-CAL SENSATION.

The Governor on Being Charged With Crime by Hancock Says the Latter is a Liar-Talk of Impeachment of Russell, The Burglar Ardell a Desperate Character-The Fourth Regiment Flag Received-Russeli's New Railway Scheming

Messenger Bureau, Raleigh, N. C., February 23. The sensation today was the open letter by Robert Hancock, ex-president of the Atlantic and North Carolina railway, to Governor Russell, in which he charges the latter with inciting him to commit crime; that is, made a personal assault upon Editor Josephus Daniels, of The News and Observer. Governor Russell says Hancock is a "liar," and Hancock says he will present proof and names. It was this affair which caused the remark that no matter what the complexion of the next legislature may be, the impeachment of Governor Russell is certain. [The Hancock letter is published in full on the third page.] Republicans say today Governor Russell is now out of their party; that he is "merely a free silver man, nothing The discovery of the San Jose fruit scale at Gibsonville, near Greensboro, is

quite a surprise to the expert.

The capture of Ardell or Young, the youthful burglar, here yesterday, no doubt, removes a dangerous criminal There is a dressing case belonging to the man which is missing and which, no doubt, contains property stolen at Petersburg. The man captured tried to make it appear he was not a burglar, but merely in need of money, but he is an experienced hand and clearly had an accomplice. He went prepared to kill in case he was disturbed, as the drippings from his candle on his revolver show. This morning the flag of the Fourth regiment, North Carolina volunteers, was eceived at the adjutant general's office from Adjutant General Ayling, of New Hampshire, It is returned to the state by Mrs. Persis F. Chase, whose brother, the late Colonel Edward E. Cross, commanded the Fifth New Hampshire regiment, which, at Antietam, captured this flag and many men of the Fourth. The latter regiment was one of the first ten to volunteer and later became the Fourteenth. The flag is the state flag, of heavy dark blue lilk, with the coat of arms of the state in oil in its centre in an oval, and the words "Fourth Regiment, North Carolina Volunteers, pear above and below. It is the flag which the state gave the regiment upon its being mustered into service. The flag will be placed in the state library.

The democratic state committee was i session until very late last night. The meeting was one of the largest ever held. It did not decide anything as to fusion, but left all that matter to the state convention of May 26th. The address of National Chairman Jones was endorsed but the committee does not understand that Jones advises the laying aside of the party's name. There were some very direct speeches, but the harmony was marked. The prevailing opinion is that special attention must be paid to county organization and county work, as the mportance of having a legislative majority is obvious. The steat preponderance of sentiment is for a straight, earnest and zealous fight, and then if there is fallure it will be honorable defeat.

The decision of the supreme court last evening that Judge Ewart, as judge of the Western criminal circuit, here. he Western criminal circuit, has no concurrent civil jurisdiction, is quite a surprise. Sitting as a civil judge he has neard a number of cases. The court says the legislature had no authority to give him such powers.

It is a "big play" which Governor Russell is making, or trying to make, about leasing the Atlantic and North Carolina railway. He knows it is his greatest stroke of policy so far as the east is concerned. It is asserted by leading repub-licans that it is the governor who has made the advances as to this lease to the Southern, the stopping of the war on the lease of the North Carolina railroad and also of the rate war, but that he desires it to appear that the overtures were made by the southern railway.

Proceedings in Congress

SENATE. Washington, February 23.-While the senate had under consideration the diplomatic and consular appropriation bill today, a sharp debate on the Cuban situation was precipitated by Senator Allen. of Nebraska, who offered as an amend ment the resolution passed by the senate a year ago recognizing the belligerent rights of the Cuban insurgents. The debate became general and occupied nearly

four hours. Senator Hale-made the point of order against the amendment that it was general legislation and had, under the rules, no place in the bill. The vice president sustained the point and Senator Allen took an appeal from the ruling. Senator Hale moved to lay the appea en the table, and Senator Allen demanded the yeas and nays, Senator Hale's motion was carried, it to 5 those voting against the motion being Senators Allen, Cannon, Iteitfeld, Mason and Teller. No further amendments being offered

he bill was passed. The senate then at 5:15 o'clock p. m. went into executive session and ten min-HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

A variety of subjects occupied the atcution of the house during the consider-ation of the sundry civil appropriation bill today, Mr. Mahany, of New York, made an attack on the patriotism of some of the social leaders of New York, whom he said held high revel while the nation was bowed with grief over the loss of life resulting from the Maine explosion. He referred to the "vegetable party" given by Abram S. Hewitt, of New York on the evening of February 17th, He also made a vicious assault on a New York paper for its opposition to the pneumatic tubs system for transmission of the mails in New York, Boston, Philadelphia and Brooklyn. The item appropriating \$25,000 for power for this system occasioned a good deal of debate, but it stood in the

The appropriation of \$75,000 for the detection of violations of the internal revenue laws caused some debate, and was stricken out on motion of Mr. Kitchin, of North Carelina.

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