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THE CONFEDERATE MUSEUM.

Many Valuable and Historical Relics Already Received by Cape Fear Chapter, Daughters of the Consederacy, This City

The history and relic committee of Cape Fear Chapter, Daughters of the posed of Miss Hettle James, chairman, Mrs. John S. Watters, Mrs. Jost T. James, Miss Mary F. Sanders and Miss Julla Gore, met at the Wilmington Light Ingantry armory yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock, and remained there until after 6 o'clock, receiving articles donated and loaned to be placed and preserved in the confederate museum, which this chapter is now establishing, and which promises to be of great interest, and in many ingallant veterans of the confederacy and their descendants.

A number of war relics, some once owned by loved ones, some found washed ashore from 'the wreckage' of blockade runners, others discovered during later others that played some part in that memorable struggle were received by the ladies and placed in the museum.

RECEIVED.

The following is a list of the relics already received: the campfire and the many hardships endured by them in their great struggle for the right.

lection of relics were presented by Colo- the time being, in a quiet state he has battlefields

Another relic is a shot found at Fort Fisher. This shot is about the size of of the Maine affair so that there is not mission of destruction, sending hundreds cruiser Montgomery from Tampa for of heavy shots in all directions.

BY THE COURT AS TO CAUSE CF DISASTER TO THE MAINE.

THE DECISION REACHED

Confederacy, of this city, which is com- The Vessel Not to Be Raised-Spain to be Told to do So if She Wants it Out of the Similar action was taken in indemni-Way-The Court to go to Key West-Off - fying China for her subjects killed at cials Looking up Precedents as to Spain's , Rock Liability-Preparations for Mobilizing Troops-Senator Proctor Sails for Havana

Springs.

MARINE MINES.

THE TERROR WAITING ORDERS.

owing, dated Havana today:

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cial denial

to-Spain."

kind.

Washington, February 25 .- In spite of the stories that come from unofficial sources in Havana as to sensational developments in connection with the work of the divers in the 'Maine's hull, stances historical, to the honored and the administration remains firm in its statement that there is no credible evidence one way or the other as to the

cause of the disaster, and holds to its purpose to await the conclusion of the investigation now making by the court years upon some battlefield, while still, of inquiry. This position was emphasised at today's cabinet meeting. People who looked for some startling

announcementwere disappointed as the MANY VALUABLE RELICS ALREADY members, without reservation, frankly admitted that the subject of the loss of the Maine had been discussed, but

said that the government had received From the Ladies Memorial Association no information from Havana since (now merged into the Daughters of the yesterday and had no intention of Confederacy); a camp chest, once the changing its policy until there was property of Colonel Gaston Meares, who something of substance to warrant it. was killed at Malvern Hill. The chest is The Spanish legation was equally in a utique and rare relic, and will recall the dark as to any of the discoveries to the minds of the boys who once wore reported from sources that are not citthe ever beloved gray, the scenes around ed. Secretary Long has been under a heavy and almost constant strain ever since he was awakened in the middle of the night a week ago last Tuesday by the news of the loss of the Maine, A most instructive and interesting col- and now that matters are, at least, for

nel William L. DeRosset, which are a gone away for a few days rest, leaving number of maps and charts of different Assistant Secretary Roosevelt to manage the department. The latter has been horoughly advised at ever step of the secretary's policy of treatment

a large hickory nut, and is one of many likely to be any change in that reout of a canister shot. During the late spect caused by the temporary assump war these canisters exactly fitted into the tion of the duties of secretary by Mr. mouth of a cannon and were made of Roosevelt. Just before the department tin, and burst when sent forth upon its closed he had word of the sailing of the Key West. Up to that time the vessel

had been given no orders so that the Mrs. William G. Thomas presented the date of her departure for Havana, if she is to go at all, is conjectural. The fures. The collection embraces large ship went to Tampa instead of Key handsome engravings of the peerless West on her return from Son, Domingo Lee, the gallant Jackson, and many oth- in order to facilitate the speedy return ers, besides about a hundred small size to his duties in Washington of Captain Crowninshield, the chief of the navigation bureau, who saved a full day by the movement. The Castine, the second of the United that possesses quite a history, is the States warships, on the South Atlanoriginal telegraph sounder and magnate tic station, arrived today from Barbaused by the confederates in this city dur- does, has joined the Cincinnati. It may ing the war, before the evacuation of be that the Castine will go to Marti-Wilmington. This instrument was used nique or be docked as she is in need of cleaning after her tropical service. SEARCHING FOR PRECEDENTS was taken yesterday. AS TO DEMANDING INDEMNITY. Since so much depends upon the report of the court of inquiry, it may be interesting to note that so far, Secretary Long himself does not know when to expect this important document, up to this time having heard nohing from any of he members on this point. He Myers: "The instrument was presented by rather expected that the court, which has complete power to work on its own lines, would wind up is work at Havana before leaving, so as to avoid the change the verdict. necessity for a return trip. One member of the cabinet had a more refinite opinion on the subject, expecting the receipt of the report about the middle of next week. There is reason to believe that, meantime, and to prepare for the reception of a report that would show the disaster to be other pair of rough wooden crutches used by than the result of an accident, some of the officials of the administration have been looking up the subject of indemnities, so as to lay the foundation of a THEMSELVES. case, in the event it should be decided to resort to that method of settlement. There are a larger number preckeep all these valuable relics is situated edents which will aid the authorities at the northeast corner of the handcome in shaping their action in this direction armory of the Wilmington Light In- when the facts are fully established. While none of the cases show the fearful loss of life sustained by the Maine explosion, yet they include many in-The room will be prettily draped and explosion, yet they include many in-decorated with confederate flags, and all stances in which the United States has adopted energetic measures to redress the killing of American citizens in foreign countries. In a general way, these rant the effort. methods of redress have included demands for indemnity, proclamations excluding warships of the offending nation from our harbors, display of force, non-intercourse, withdrawal of our minister, reprisal, and blockade. Some The relics will be carefully preserved of these steps BORDER VERY CLOSE and exhibited to the public about once a LY ON WAR, although they are reof these steps BORDER VERY CLOSE garded as the movements just preliminary to actual hostilities and as meaning that force will follow if reparation is not made

WILMINGTON, N. C., SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 1898.

older ones.

with merriment.

Dry Tolgugas, Savannah, Charleston for the killing of foreigners has been and Fort Monroe of 250,000 tons of Porecognized in several recent cases in cahontas coal, and with the Rhodes Nearly a Handred cittle Folks Afforded a United States. One of these was the killing of Italians at New Orleans and Biedler Coal Company, of Cleveland for the delivery of 50,000 tons of by a mob. In that case, while the the Goshen coal of that company. The United States denied the responsibility stipulations of the contracts just of the federal government for the act of a mob, yet indemnity was paid out of the federal treasury as a matter placed are that the coal so ordered shall be delivered at the designated of international comity and equity. coaling stations as soon as it is possible to do so and that the utmost secarrying out these contracts the rail- and original method of entertainner President Buchanan adopted the proroads play a most prominent part, and cedure of reprisal in 1859. This is a for the purpose of moving everything as expeditously as possible, President measure just short of war. Mexico M. E. Ingalls, of the Chesapeake and folks, as well as about to a score of was charged at that time with assent-Ohio railroad; Receiver Oscar G. Muring to spollation along the United States border. President Buchanan

ray, of the Baltimore and Ohio, and General Manager L. F. Toree, of the asked congress for authority to send a military force to secure indemnity as Pennsylvania, went to Washington last and magnificent style. The interior week and consulted with Secretary Long, of the navy, and Assistant Sec-gant appointment was most lavishly diplomatic negotiations had failed to bring redress from Mexico. This course retary George D. Melkeljohn, of the was adopted by congress and the preparations for the military reprisals war department, on the matter. Consoon brought about a satisfactory adtracts and all arrangements for the rapid handling and shipping of the caol were made and the government, it is DENIAL OF EXISTENCE OF SUBunderstood, agreed to pay a bonus to both the coal miners and the railroads half a hundred coddren, quaintly, but In view of the widely published re-ports that the harbor of Havana con-

if the 300,000 tons were delievered withn'a specified time. tains a system of submarine mines, a Norfolk, Va., February 25 .- The rustatement around which was centred mor that the government is securing the chief public interest in connection from railway companies estimates of with the disaster to the battleship their capacity for moving troops and Maine, Senor du Bosc, Spanish charge

munitions of war between Atlantic and d'affaires at Washington, tonight made gulf ports and the interior is officially to the Associated Press the following denied by Vice President St., John, of statement which, coming from such authe Seaboard Air Line, whose road was thority, may be considered as an offimentioned in the reports. Mr. St. John said today that he is ignorant of any "I wish to state on my own official such move on the part of the war deknowledge that no mine exists inside partment and as to contracts for movor outside of Havana harbor, . nor is there any submarine defense of anythem. The report is so absolutely false

THE MAINE SLOWLY SINKING.

and rediculous that it could only Havana, February 25 .- The wreck of have originated in the minds of those the Maine is slowly but surely sinking persons anxious to incite the evil pasinto the mud. Before the hull could sions of both nations for their own be raised it would be necessary to remiserable ends. I consider the very suggestion of such a thing an insult move the guns and deck debris. For lack of proper appliances practically nothing in this line has been accomplished.

Norfolk, Va., February 25 .- The The cloudy weather and rain made monitor Terror remains at anchor in the work of the divers unsatisfactory Hampton Roads. The men are being today and very little was done. It is held aboard her and she is constantly said that a hole has been made by the under steam, expecting orders to leave divers in one of the forward hatches, every minute. It is said that ammuniand it is hoped that a number of bodies tion has been shipped to Fort Washwill be recovered. The court of inquiry ington from the Fort Monroe arsenal. New York, February 25.-The Mail sat longer than usual today, the six divers being examined more in detail and Express this evening prints the than heretofore. The time of departure of the Mangrove with the court for Key 'The United States naval board of West has not been determined. Capinquiry continued today taking the tain Sampson said today that it was testimony of the divers who have been doubtful whether his vessel would sail

A BARE ET ERTAINMENT.

Wilmington Messenger.

Fine Time at the Palatial Ke i e of Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Hicks The Mother Goise Party given last night at the attractive and palace like appearing dwellig of Mrs. R. W. Hicks, on Third treet, betweer, Nun crecy be observed about the matter. In and Church, was a decidedly usin te

> and was the metos of affording tion enjoyment to Fout seventy hitle The affair was inducted on a rare

festooned, especially the spacious, handsome hall, file the entire glorious scene was filliantly lighted up, and it was truly recinating to see over richly habited, c sing in and out of

the different couportable and superb rooms with these pretty faces aglow

But as to the intertainment, which was both interesting and delightful in nature. It was gren by Mr. and Mrs. Hicks compliment ry to their children, and each of the a endants were dressed as one of the haracters made famous in the Moth Goose rhymes, and ing troops, he had heard nothing of prominently were several "Bo-Peeps" and "Mary Cont, ry's."

> For hospitables d congenial host and hostess Mr. and 1 s. Hicks stand preeminent. The to der was dressed as King Cole, and med with a large bowl containing ap suds, he created much mirth and as surrounded dur.

> ing the entire e ning by the little folks, who blew habbles hy the hundreds. The late was costumed as "Mother Goose," and a most jolly one she made.

Miss Atha Hick as Little Miss Muffitt served whey and curd from a cozy corner in the drawing room, and Master Spears Hoks sat in an opposite corner and, Jack Horner, dished out kisses from the original pie. Master Glascoi Land Ruth Hicks as harbor, California

A STANDAR! PRODUCTION.

Night Off." Com. to the Opera House

Augusta Daly", comedy "A Night

Off" wil be prese ted fiere on Monday

February 28th at, ne Opera House and

it is safe to say that it will be received

with the same L arty welcome, with

which it has beet greeted since it left

Daly's Theatre w York after its

phenomenally lor, run. There is and

always will be a great demand for a

genuine farce i medy such as "A

Night Off" in which it has been dem-

onstrated that has play and topical

gags are the this that engage and

amuse under he finch abused name of

comedy, and for that reason we are

the most success. I comedy ever writ-

"In a minute" o e dose of Hart's Es-

sence of Ginger a Ill, relieve any ordi-

Front Whiskey

A KNOTTY QUESTION.

MR. CORBETT' RIGHT TO A SEAT IN THE SENATE.

That Body Discusses the Question Again. Appropriations for Rivers and Harbors Put as Riders on Sandry Civil Appropriation Bill-Mr. Dingley Attacked for His Course in This Matter-To Be No River and Harbor Bill This Session SENATE.

Washington, February 25 .- Hon. Henry W. Corbett's right to a seat in the senate from Oregon was under consideration by the senate this afternoon for five hours. Senator Spooner, of Wisconsin, concluded the speech which he began yesterday in favor of Mr. Corbett, and was followed by Senator Teller, of Colorado; Senator Allen, of Nebraska, and Senator Turley, of Tennessee, with speeches in opposition to the seating of Mr. Corbett, and Senator Turner, of Washington, in favor of seating him. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

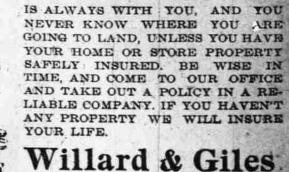
The house resumed consideration of the sundry civil appropriation bill. Quite a debate developed on a motion to strike out the appropriation of \$133,000 for work in Oakland, Cal., its opponents alleging that no contract had yet been made for the work and asserting that a river and harbor bill was to be suppressed and a favored few given appropriations in the sundry civil bill. The appropriation remained in the bill by a vote of 118 to 16, Representative Moody made a sensa-tional attack upon an appropriation in the sundry civil bill of \$360,000 for Rockland, Maine, harbor, which is in Mr. Dingley's district. He said he was wiling to submit to economy and to honest leadership, but for one he proposed to rebel against the leadership that gave an appropriation to Rockland, Me., an insignificant port that could be buried in Beston harbor. harbor items to go into the sundry civi bill, there would be no river and harbor bill Mr. Cannon replied to the attack, declaring that some of the most vicious

river and harbor items ever reported came from the committee when he (Grosvenor) was a member of it. He said that from 25 to 33 per cent. of the money ap-propriated by a bill he helped to report had been worse than thrown away. Mr. Dingley answered the personal at-tack made upon him. The Rockland im-provement, he said, was not simply an improvement; it included provision for a included provision for a breakwater and a harbor of refuge. The house passed the sundry civil tem, appropriating \$400,000 for San Pedro

It was practically agreed by those who

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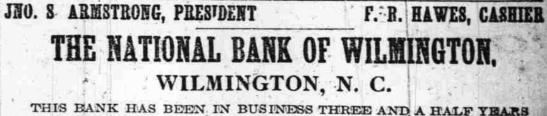
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DISCOUNT WEEK!

Mr. Grosvenor, republican, of Ohio, attacked the appropriation and declared that if the house allowed these river and

museum with a magnificent set of picphotographs of different confederate of-

One of the most notable relics, and one at headquarters, which at the time was located in the residence of the late Dr. A. L. DeRosset, corner Third and Marstet streets, and 'was discovered by one of Dr. DeRosset's family several weeks ago in the basement of the residence. The table upon which the instrument was used was also found and will be presented to the museum by Mrs. Lossie

Mrs. Gaston Meares. A candle washed ashore in 1895 at Carolina Beach from the wreck of the blockade runner. Beauregard, is another historical relic of note, and was presented by Miss Mary F. Sanders. The Beauregard was wrecked during the war-one and a quarter miles below Carolina Beach.

A most rare and appropriate relic is a that valiant soldier, Mr. Geo. W. Huggins, after he was wounded at Harrison's Landing, July 1862.

THE MUSEUM ROOM. The room where the ladies propose to fantry, and is quite cozy in appearance and spacious enough for its intended use.

cipe relics, will be kept in glass cases, neatly arranged around the room. REQUEST FOR MORE RELICS.

The ladies request us to appeal for retics to all confederate veterans and the descendants of veterans. It is hoped to make the museum a state affair, and consequently relics are ex-pected from veterans in different cities of the state.

week.

A thrill of terror is experienced when a brassy cough of croup sounds through the house at night. But the terror soon changes to relief after One Minute Cough Cure has been administered. Safe and harmless for children.

Child Burned to Death

Ringwood, N. C., Feb. 25. Yesterday morning a little girl of Andrew Carroll, colored, caught fire while her mother had gone a hundred or so yards to a neighbor's house. The, troops opened fire on the Water Witch, her mother had gone and met by her aroused in the United States when the severe pain an hour after.

Pretty weather and farm work progressing. More tobacco will be in cui- secure ample reparation. Accordingly

aching head, a sluggish body, when his tion included nineteen armed ships,

CASES IN POINT. The case of the Water Witch is con-

sidered to be the most analogous to that of the Maine, should it be established that the Maine disaster was not the result of an accident. The Water

Witch was a United States ship engaged in 1855 in surveying the entrance, to one of the rivers of Paraguay. Without warning and by orders of President Lopez, of Paraguay, a force of girl, enveloped in flames and followed killing the man at the helm, and by a little brother, ran in the direction wounding others. Intense feeling was mother after she had her clothing burn- news became known. The president ed from her body and her flesh roasted reported the facts to congress, and in from head to foot. It was a horrible his message asked authority to make spectacle-the girl writhing in agony a demonstration of force which would and screams from the pain. She died in ensure suitable redress. In response to this, congress authorized him to "use such force as is necessarily" to

tivation, less cotton and same of corn. an armed fleet was hastily assembled on a scale which was regarded as re-When a man is suffering with an markable for those days. The expedi-

muscles are lax and lazy, his brain twenty five heavy guns and 2,000 gaildull, and his stomach disdaining food, ors and marines. Accompanying this he will, if wist, heed these warnings formidable outfit were civilian plentiand resort to the right remedy, before potentiaries prepared to make the de-It is too late. "Parker's Sarsaparilla," mands of this government, and then

rking in the wreck of the omorrow; that all depended on the de-Those who were sent here from the velopments of the testimony. battleship Iowa, and the curiser New The Spanish cruiser Alfonse XII has

York were examined. While, of course, been towed to a buoy further within the members of the court will not talk the harbor to make room for the cruisfor publication, I am informed, on the er Vizcaya which is expected here tohighest authority, that the evidence of morrow or the next day from the Diver Morgan as to the condition of north.

the Maine shows almost beyond the At the afternoon session of the court possibility of a doubt, in the opinion of inquiry, the examination of divers of my informant, that the Maine was was continued. A civilian, whose tesblown up by an outside agency. Furtimony is said to be of some importhermore, Morgan's report was veritance, was also examined. The name fied by the other American divers who of the witness and all the particulars descended today. All the testimony of of his evidence are withheld.

the civilian witnesses of the disaster Late today the paymaster's safe, \$22,500 and his papers, Hicks, Mrs. D. C. Whitted, Mrs. C. W. with A DECISION REACHED. was taken from the wreck. Be-The court will finish its work here toyond this no statement is made as to the value and nature of the contents. morrow and proceed at once to Key but a large quantity of water ran out Mrs. Lewis, and a sa Taylor, of Nash-West to take the testimony of the surwhen the safe was raised above the vivors there. It has also been decided not to return to Havana, all the insurface.

The complaint is still made that the formation as to the cause of the diselectric lamps are of little use to spent at the reddence a mandoin aster obtainable here having been seclub, composed of Messrs. James Stevcured. It is believed that a decision divers, as the light is faint and uncerhas been practically reached. The wittain, and to hold them takes one of the nesses yet to be examined will hardly diver's hands. So far as reports made public go, the workmen on the tug THE COURT HAS DECIDED Right Arm, with the assistance of the highly appreciate selections. AGAINST ANY ATTEMPT TO RAISE naval divers, are laboring hard to re-THE RUINED BATTLESHIP. THE cover the bodies under the hatch, MEMBERS ARE CONVINCED THAT which led to the fire room platforms. IT WOULD BE 'USELESS, AS SHE Shoring with timbers was necessary COULD NEVER BE KEPT AFLOAT, and the divers had to wait for the lum-Augusta Daly's Laring Comedy, "A AND THE SPANISH AUTHORITIES' ber today.

HERE WILL BE INFORMED THAT The Havana papers print long ex-THEY WISH THE WRECK REtracts from the American dalles, but, MOVED FROM THE HARBOR THEY of course; only of delayed news. All MUST ATTEND TO THE WORK the Americans are anxiously awaiting the arrival of tomorrow's mall.

This recision gives a better idea of Consul General Lee says he has rethe terrible havoc wrought in the ceived no news of importance from the Maine than columns of description state department today nor been noticould do. The Merritt Wrecking Com- fied to expect the arrival of any one of pany, it was anounced today, wanted prominence. It is believed here that \$2,000,000 to raise the wreck. The comif any American of national reputation pany's representatives made this decomes to Havana now it will be to mand after viewing the condition of study the situation for himself and not the ship. The wreckers today turned as an official commissioner.

their attention to salving the great At 6 o'clock this evening when this guns. These, at least, can be recoverdispatch is sent Holzer is still sleeping ed in sufficiently good condition to warunder the influence of an oplate. He is no worse than he was this morning,

but is very low. Including him, there BODIES RECOVERED. are six wounded left here, five of whom Twenty unknown bodies of the crew are reasonably certain of recovery. were recovered from the wreck by the Some difficulty may arise in removing glad to have the opportunity of witdivers at noon today. The bodies were them to the United States, for all have nessing a perform the of a comedy on frightfully burned and mangled and it been exposed to couragious fevers and the style of Mr. Lly's "A Night Off" may be impossible to identify some of the quarantine laws forbid their being taken direct to Key West. These reg-Holzer, who made such a brave fight, ulations were disregarded in the case ten and producer by him, and which of the first lot taken there on the Oli- will be ably rene red by an excellent died in the hospital today. All the wounded will leave here Sunday on the vette the day after the explosion, but Bache for Key West. The physicians only because of the extreme exigencies sonsider, it safe to move them now. of the case.

DEPARTURE OF THE VIZCAYA. SENATOR PROCTOR SAILS FOR

New York, February 25 .- The Span-HAVANA.

sh cruiser Vizcaya got under Key West, Fla., February 25 .- Senafrom her anchorage off Tompkinsville at 1:25 o'clock p. m. today and proceedtor Proctor is among the Mascotte's passengers. Before sailing for Havana ed down the bay, passing quarantine at 1:37 o'clock p. m., bound for Hahe was shown a dispatch published vana. The navy-yard tug Nina, on here, saying that there is considerable guard off Tompkinsville, was saluted excitement at Havana over his expectby the cruiser with three blasts of the ed visit. He read it, laughed and said, whistle, which the tug returned. The "Absurd!" In reply to a request for a detailed statement regarding his visit Nina and the police boat Patrol accompanied the cruiser down the bay. Senator Proctor said: "It's all simple The national standard of Spain floated and straight as day, I've been to Haat half-mast from'a small gaff on the vana several times before and have main mast of the cruiser. The Vizcaya many friends there. I've been fishing did not salute the forts at the narrows several days in Florida with Colonel as she passed out. It is said at the of-Parker, a business man of Washingfice of the Spanish consul general that ton and a friend of mine, and we have the Wigcaya will proceed to Havana decided to go ever to Havana." The without stopping en route. correspondent of the Associated Press

suggested that some people might THE WAR CRY POPULAR IN SPAIN think Havana strange place to go for London, February 25 .- According to fish just now. Schafor Proctor faugha special dispatch from Madrid, ingly replied: "To tell the truth, we reports received there from the United are just going over there to see what's States to the effect that public opinion going on, to be where the excitement n the latter country is becoming more is. There is not a bit of political sigexcited owing to the impression that the nificance about it. I may stay in Haloss of the Maine is not due to an ac- vana a day or a week. I have not cident, are "restricting popular feeling | the remotest idea how long."

Little Jack Jingh and Little Boy Blue respectively, cau d much fun, and attended well to eitry want of their de-

lightful guèsts.

orate repast.

ville, Tenn.

Monday Night

company.

tress.

city hall.

Seats now on a le.

shaking limbs por rayed.

superintendent of health.

participated in the debate today that there would be no river and harbor bil at this session of congress. It was intimated that there was a plan to defeat The little for present enjoyed all the items in the bill so as to force consideration of a general river and harthemselves in n ny different ways, and about 9 o'clor partook of an elab-

bor bill, but this intimation was not borne out by the vote upon the amend-ment upon which the debate rested. Only four pages of the bill were disposed o Among those present, besides the littoday. tle folks, were asses Anna Savage,

What pleasure is there in life with a Alice Green, Lizi Peck, Edna Kenly, headache, constipation and billious Miss Maud Kinger Iry, Miss Ehea Dagness? Thousands experience them who gett, Miss Maggir Moffitt, Miss Rachel could become perfectly healthy by using DeWitt's Little : arly Risers, the famous little pills. R. R. Bellamy. Worth, Mrs. Will, McKoy, Mrs. C. C. Brown, Mrs. Blass Mrs. P. Pearsall,

Improvements at State Institutions (Special to The Messenger.)

Raleigh, N. C., February 25.-The state During the say ral present hours auditor today issued warrants for \$20,000 for new buildings and improvements at the white institution for the blind here, \$8,000 for the institution for the negro enson, James Blick, O. A. Wiggins, deaf mutes and blind here, and \$10,000 for Jr., and G. P. J. nes, rendered many the school for deaf mutes at Morganton. All these 'are on account of special appropriations, which last year could not be obtained, the treasurer claiming that there were not funds enough in hand to meet them.

> You need Cod Liver Oil, you say but think you can't take it? Try "Morrhuvin" a perfected "Wine of Cod Liver Oil." You can get all the virtues of the oil without the disagreeable effects. Sold by J. C. Shepard, J. H. Hardin and H. L. Fentress.

Strengthening the Ceast Defenses New York, February 25 .- The Brooklyn Eagle today said: At Willets Point precaution is being taken to make the East river entrance to New York invulnerable. A so-called skirmish line of torpedoes is projected from the Willets Poin shore across the channel to Fort Schuyler. The torpedoes will be anchored s close together that it may be made im possible for a hostile vessel to cross the ine without being blown up. The torpedoes will be connected with electri and to make sure that their plans wires cannot be frustrated, the engineers have arranged to have batteries located at each end of the line, so that in case an apparatus was used by the enemy to sever the connecting wires and break the circuit, the torpedoes could be still exploded from either end of the line. The channel is already protected from the Willets Point short to the centre of the channel by two groups of submarine mines. Each groupe of the mines con-sists of twenty-two torpedoes, forty-four all together." Trenton, N. J., February 25,-Men have

been put to work placing the seasoast batteries at Seagist in order for service. At the quartermaster general's of fice it was denied, however, that this has any significance, as this work is usual at this time of the year.

nary case of Colk Cramps, or Nausea. An unexcelled renedy for Diarrhoea, Cholera Morbus, Summer complaints and all internal ains. Sold by J. C. Shepard, J. H. H. rdin and H. L. Fen-There are three little things which do more work than any other three lit. tle things created-they are the ant, the bee and DeWitt's Little Early Risers Requested the Polt s to Keep film Away tl ' ast being the famous little pills for stomach and liver treables. R. R. A most singula but truly sad, scene Bellamy. was enacted yest day morning at the

A Train on a Burning Trestle Savannah, Ga., February 25 .- The Plant A heatly dress, white man, appar-ently about this five years of age, system and Atlantic Coast Line "Florida Special" vestibuled train between St. Ausustine and New York, was brought to and who showed very sign of a long a sudden standstill on a burning trestle near Way Cross, 100 miles south of Sadebauch, appeared and requested lock him up in the guard house to keep nim away 5 om whiskey the efvannah, by a warped rall this afternoon, The sudden shock eaused the death of Mrs. Hørten, of Yonkers, N. T., 65 years of age, and threw the remaining passen-gers into a panic, but all escaped with fects of which i haggard face and only slight bruises. When the train stop ped the flames from the burning treatly Lieutenant Berger locked him up and communicated to the coaches and the fire spread rapidly. The burning treatle was discovered before the train reached the structure, and a train hand was sent then sent for W. D. McMillan, forward to give a signal.

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