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(By Raoul de Saint Rene.)

Paris, May 26-Very painful indeed

are the disclosures which M. Paul Dou-

mer has made concerning the present

state of the French navy. M. Doume

is ex-president of the chamber of dep-

utles, reporter general of the budget

naval inquiry commission which has and a member of the parliamentary

have caused profound sensation

been sitting at Toulon. His revelations

throughout France. He admits, but

with evident reluctance, that the

French navy, once the glory and pride

of the nation, is on the down grade

on the high road to decay, "No men,

no guns, 'no ammunition" is his terse

way of summing up the situation. Ten

years ago France was the second naval

power of the world; today, she has

sunk to fourth place and will soon be

of six modern battleships of the Batrie

type, and three protected cruisers of

this kind ought to be able to give

a sudden outbreak of war, but M.

Doumer says, the whole of the ships

would be unable to proceed to sea if

war broke out tomorrow. Recently

ready for instant mobilation, the bat-

their full complement. One of the bat.

tleships would have been unable to

make any use of her secondary arma

ment at all for her quick firing guns

were unserviceable, and in the maga-

zines there was not a single round of

attack of destroyers. The situation in

reserve, says M. Doumer, is ten times

would need 15,000 men to place it on

and 43,284 provincials. There were 3,-

was a large; there were 6,186 Euro-

peans, 116 Africans, and 41 Americans.

The Mediterranean fleet alone

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CITY HALL SITE COSTS \$25,000

nicipal building will be erected on the present site of the old Law Building adjoining the Yarborough with selling whiskey. His case was House. Final details were arranged postponed until Friday morning and at a meeting of the commission, held he is out on a \$50 bond. late yesterday afternoon. The deed to the property has been drawn and with selling whiskey, but the witness happened last year to one of her 13 will be delivered to the commission testified that he was not the one. It inch guns, which rendered it useless when the bonds have been sold.

The commission has ordered the bonds issued and it is believed that the bonds will bring a 10 per cent premium, running the total amount to \$127,000. Plans will be sub- postponed until Friday morning. mitted by architects and work will soon be begun on the fine new build-III g.

The lot on which the building is to be located fronts 210 feet on charged with selling whiskey. As a is spont on the navy lavishly, but docre Davie, 130 feet on Wilmington and Bunn, another negro, testified that is little in the way of efficiency to 75 on Fayetteville. There will be an he gave George Harris 75 cents and show for it. Machinery rusts away opening on every side. A ten-foot he said he could get the whiskey from for want of small expenditure of monpassage will be maintained between Mr. Edwards, corner of Martin and ey, but the office of the minister of the Municipal Building and the Yar- Bloodworth streets. George Harris cal functionaries who do attle save borough House. The price to be returned with two half-pints and gave draw handsome salaries. paid for the site is \$25,000.

One of the leading business men or cided to pass sentence Friday morn-he city who was interested in the ing. provided accommodations to 68,837 perthe city who was interested in the ing. transfer of the Law Building properry to the commission, when seen by The Times man this motning said:

"The municipal building commission, at its meeting on yesterday afternoon, finally selected the Law Building property, belonging to Grimes Reality Company, as the site for the proposed youthful at 80. James Wright, of Poles, nine Senegalese, two Swedes, 471 new municipal building and auditorium.

The location of the property and old boy," he writes, "after taking six The arrest of a man named Lamon the peculiar shape of the lot makes hottles of Electric Bitters. For thirthis site an ideal one for the purpose desired. It is immediately on the Fayetteville street car line and within one block of the Martin street and burden, but the first bottle of this wonderful medicine convinced me 1

POLICE COURT NEWS. Blind Tigers Still in the Lime-light, the Lean Gambette model. A force A Few Drunks. Asa Bunn, colored, was up before good account of itself in the event of Justice Stronach today, charged with being drunk on the street. He paid \$2.00 and the costs.

Dougherty, colored, when the Balkan crises were at its MIIITAY charged with an assault upon his height and war was threatened, and written guarantee given with all As told in The Evening Times yes- wife, Neilly Dougherty, Sunday night, when everything ought to have been work. terday afternoon, Raleigh's new mu- was let off upon the payment of the costs, \$2.75, and the promise to be- tleships were each short 100 men of Over H. Mahler's Sons Jewelry Store.

have himself hereafter. Dallas Edwards, white, charged

Charlie Perry, a yellow-faced ne- ammunition for these pieces. On angro, was hauled into court, charged other of the battleships an accident was a "black face" Charlie Perry. It The damaged piece has neither been repaired nor replaced by another. Three seems that both the Charlie Perry's battleships had been waiting for year work in the same barber shop, on to receive their secondary armament. Wilmington street. Lately they were provided with weap

John Mitchell, white, was charged ons of an inferior calibre, which are with selling whiskey. The case was not powerful enough to keep off an Peter Nipper, white, charged with the ships of the active fleet is bad; being drunk, is out on a \$10 bond, that prevailing in the vessels of the Case will be heard tomorrow morn- worse, ing.

George Harris, colored, was an effective fighting footing. Money Asa 15 gents change. The court de- The Paris night shelters last year

Lived 152 Years. Wm. Patr-England's oldest man -married the third time at 120. worked in the fields till 132 and lived There was one Chillan, one Dane, two 20 years longer. People should be Egyptians, one Greek, nine Turks, 1 Spurlock, Ky., shows how to remain Germans, 197 Austrians, and 59 Engyoung. "I feel just like a 16-year- lishmen.

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be advantageous to build stores under the running", when placed before the this was the case. A Brussels paper the auditorium on Wilmington street commission as a site for the audito- learns that Lamontagne and another and thus increase the revenue from rium; for as a fact a large public senthe property.

"The large size of the place makes available for the municipal building many good "safe and sound" reasons, cerning the defence of the mouth of and for the arcade to the auditorium and one was that there was 35% Brest Harbor by destroyers in Fayetteville street and running back money, but let it not he thought that squadron coming from the north. seventy feet, which would have for I am a kicker, for the commission is the auditorium proper a lot fronting composed of our most honorable men 130 feet on said building and on Wil-mington street and 140 feet on Davie street and and on the alley along the North side. This would permit the bands and hush all differences and acquaintance of three well dressed audience to enter from all four sules.

such that scating capacity can be ments. Sell the Metropolitan Hall; She took them for aristocrats, and inmade from 4,000 to 6,000, the magni- locate the new market house, and vited them for supper in the Rue tude of which can be seen when one recalls that the present seating capacity of the Academy of Music, and of Metropolitan Hall is only about 1,007 each.

"It is understood that along with the building of the municipal building and auditorium, the owners of the Yarborough Hotel will spend a large sum of money in remodeling and cenverting it ineo a modern up to date establishment, with elevators,

front, increased capacity and many other attractive Improvements."

Cabarrus street cur lines; it is com-venient to both telegraph offices, the earth." They're a Godsend to weak, but the Brussels police, on searchi

"Not in the Running." To the Editor of The Times:

lively factor, notwithstanding the as- ments to Brussels, where they were perity of your paper in singling it out to be handed over to the German "It has been suggested that it would from all the others as being "not in emissary,

lot fronting seventy-five feet on more land and the price \$4,000 less event of a night surprise attack by a and did what they thought best for Raleigh. Now let us hold up their In January last the woman made the strike out for a bigger and better gentlemen in a night restaurant. Their "The size of the auditorium for is Raleigh and foster further improve-

then for the new hotel. Stand together and press forward. Let that be the watchword.

C. A. SHERWOOD.

York Physician, But why punish your neighbors

when only the child needs it?-Ledger. Dispatch

his room, found a rough copy of a letter addressed to the chief of the secret

police in Berlin, offering to furnish valuable information with regard to the French navy, torpedo boats and sub-The Holden property was quite a sioned officer was to bring the documarines in particular. A non-commis-Lamontagne admitted that time at favored the location for very that they communicated papers conreally in the service of Germany, and the A queer story is told today of what happened at a party given by a denizen of the "half world" who was known as the "Countens de Cerdagne."

> fine clothes and jewelery dazzled her. Fourdroy. Towards the end of the meal the "countess" became drowsy, and finally fell asleep. Her supposed gentlemen friends had drugged her wine.

In point of fact they were simply clev-er thieves these men of aristocratic "D not punish your child, Go to hearing. They noticed that the flat your plano and play Beethoven's was in telephonic communication with 'Moonlight Sonata,' or something of the concierges lodge. The "countess" that sort, for its benefit," says a New had taken this precaution after an attempt had been made to murder her

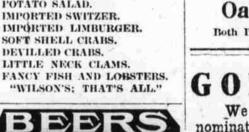
in 1908. The thieves cut the wire, and then set to work to rob their hostess

They relieved her of \$9,000 worth of jewelry and decamped. When she same to herself and realized that she had been robbed, the "countess" had no other alternative but to lodge a complaint with the police. M. Ham-ard, chief of the criminal investigation department, learned that one of the thieves had gone to London, where he had succeeded in selling the countess' diamonds. His accomplices were found shortly afterwards at Nice. The three

nen have now been arrested. By the terms of the agreement beween the Paris municipality and the Concessionarie Omnibus Company, the atter will be called upon, in return for the privileges which it is granted, to furnish its vehicles with snow oughs and clear a track along the roads it uses. In addition to this the ompany must place at the disposal of the city fifty automobiles tumbrels for carting away the snow. Hitherto the company has provided horsedrawn carts, which were generally useless when much snow had fallen. The omnibus company will also have

to provide sand heaps wherever nece sary.

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