then directed towards lowering the

boats and saving lives; but the Maine settled quickly on the bottom of the

harbor, only her upper works remaining above water. Twenty-four men,

slightly wounded, were carried on board the Alfonso XII. This officer said the

explosion occurred somewhere in the

forward part of the midship's section

THEORIES AS TO THE CAUSE.

It is reported that the disaster was

due to the explosion of the boiler of the dynamo machine on board the

Maine. The first explosion is said to

have been caused by over 600 pounds

plosion is alleged to have been caused

Capt. Sigsbee said: "I cannot yet de-

termine the cause, but competent in-

vestigators will decide whether the ex-

plosion was produced from an interior

that everything so far received indi-cated that the loss of the Maine was

due to accident. The situation at sun-

down, after the exchange of a number of cablegrams between Washington and Havana, can be summed in the words of Secretary Long, who, when asked,

as he was about to depart for the day, whether he had reason to suspect that

the disaster was the work of an enemy, replied: "I do not. In that I am influenced by the fact that Capt. Sigsbee

has not yet reported to the navy de-

partment on the cause. He is evidently waiting to write a full report."

CONGRESS SAYS NOTHING.

The appalling nature of the disaster

and the gravity of the situation that

would arise should investigation give a basis for the undercurrent of treachery and foul play that ran

through all minds had a sobering effect

on public men of all shades of political

opinion in Washington. The fact

stands forth, and is a little less remarkable, that not a single resolution

A NAVAL INQUIRY.

case if the explosion came from the

inside, or whether they were driven in,

as would result from the attack of a

torpedo, or the explosion of a mine be-

neath the ship. The large majority of

lief that the explosion resulted from

spontaneous combustion of a coal

bunker, the overheating of the parti-

naval officers are inclined to the

tions between the boilers and

with the families of those killed.

of gun cotton and the subsequent ex-

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by shells and cartridges.

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The Shattered

Latest Accounts of the Disaster at Havana.

A Number of Canadians Among on board the Ward line steamer City of Washington.

Many of the Officers Were Dining on Board Another Vessel.

Capt. Sigsbee the Last One to Leave the S.nking Ship.

Speculations as to the Cause-A Thorough Inquiry Ordered.

Havana, Feb. 17.—The Maine, at the time of the explosion, was at anchor, about 500 yards from the arsenal, and some 200 yards from the floating dock. her starboard side. None of the big were slackened, and she was anchored is slightly listed to port, and all forward of her massive cranes for unloading ship's boats, have completely disappeared. The big funnels lie flat upon the twisted and gnarled iron braces and pieces of steel deck. From the funnels aft the ship seems to be intact. She has settled until the water has covered the top of her superstructure, and the stern searchlight and one rapid-firing

gun look over the water just below 258 LIVES LOST-CANADIANS SUF-

FER. According to a list, compiled and issued by the navy department last night, 258 lives were lost by the sinking of the Maine. In the list of dead are the names of Lewis Barry, Halifax, N. S.; John Dolan and Wm. J. Fewer, St. Johns, Nfid.; Bartly Fountain, Quebec city; Fred Jernee, New Brunswick; Charles Laird, St. Johns, Nfld.; George Lapierre, Montreal; Wm. Mattison, Canada.

The disaster is remarkable in that only two officers lost their lives, and these were of junior grades. They were Lieut. Friend W. Jenkins and Assistant Engineer Darwin R. Merritt. The former was unmarried, but leaves a mother and sister. The latter, it is thought, is also unmarried, but the department is unadvised concerning his

THE SECOND OFFICER'S EX-

PERIENCE. Lieutenant Commander R. Wain-wright, of the Maine, was half undressed at 9:30 o'clock p.m., and was walking in his cabin, next to that of Capt. Sigsbee, when the explosion occurred and put out the electric lights. Lieut. Wainwright then lit a match

going statement. Brass pipe, angle from etc., fell in a shower on the decks boats that when lowered they were

and went to Capt. Sigsbee's cabin. The capt_in, it appears, had been thrown from his bed, but was uninjured. They both went on deck, and ordered men to flood 2,500 pounds of gun cotton, which were on board. The order was carried out, the men never returned, but Havana was saved from a still

among the crew is said to be due to the fact that most of them were asleep below at the time of the explosion. Most of the officers saved were dining

ANOTHER EXPLOSION. At 2 o'clock in the morning, while the correspondent of the Associated Press was going ashore, there was another terrible explosion. At that time boats from the Spanish steamers Coion and Mexico were taking eight wounded men ashore, after having saved them from the water.

AFTER THE EXPLOSION. All the navy fire brigades were immediately ordered on duty. Stretchers for the use of the wounded were sent to the scene by the fire brigade, and the headquarters of the Red Cross Society were called upon for stretchers. Men were sent to patrol the scene of the disaster and pick up the dead and wounded. The Spanish cruiser Alfonso XII., which was anchored close to the Maine, lowered her boats and saved 37 of the crew of the American warship. Her steel upper deck forward has been for some time after the explosion in completely lifted and turned over on great peril, and her mooring tacklesat a greater distance from the burning

SWAM ASHORE.

The first of the American sailors to reach the Machina wharf were swimming. Three sailors who escaped fell senseless just as they reached a place of safety. One of the Maine's officers, who is being cared for at the sanitary headquarters, is seriously wounded. He is believed to have been the officer on guard at the time of the disaster. He is said to have asked for a priest to make a contession.

Some of the wreckage of the Maine fell on board the City of Washington and knocked two holes in her deck.
The chaplain, Rev. J. P. Chadwick,
went on board the Alfonso XII. in order to administer to the wounded. A Spanish naval officer said that Capt. Sigsbee was the last man to abandon the sinking ship, and he remained = alongside the wreck as long as it was possible to do anything in the way of

THE EXPLOSION.

New York, Feb. 17.-A special cable from Havana says the officers of the Maine state the explosion was in central magazine, and that the Maine was raised out of the water and then went partially to pieces. It continues: When the stupendous shock came all the officers below rushed on deck, but could get no further forward than the middle superstructure on deck. Only a very few of the Jackles ever got from below. The water rushed over them and many were stunned and drowned. The officers on deck narrowly escaped. In the junior officers' mess all had to clamber out through water and wreckage waist deep. One ladder from the after torpedo compartment was jammed with men struggling up for life. All agree that a double explosion occurred from the na-

more terrible explosion.

HOW THE OFFICERS ESCAPED. magazine, or from the explosion of a The large number of deaths reported boiler, though the last theory finds little

A SPANISH VIEW. Madrid, Feb. 17.-The following semiofficial note has been issued: "The news of the disaster of the Maine has caused a painful impression in Madrid. It was at first feared that there had been some act of imprudence, to which the catastrophe was attributed. terwards, as the details arrived, the fears dispelled took the form of feelings of sympathy and sorrow for the misfortune which had occurred. government has expressed to Minister Woodford the regret it feels at the catastrophe, more especially as it oc-curred in waters within Spanish juris-

Admiral Chacon, the commander-in-chief of the Spanish navy, said the United States warship Maine had on board a "new explosive, based on gun cotton, manufactured by a special process." Such explosives, he added, were very dangerous, the slightest friction causing an explosion. He believed the disaster was due to such a cause. OFFICIAL EXPRESSIONS OF RE-GRET.

The Spanish legation at Washington was early advised of the horror by Capt.-Gen. Blanco, who expressed his profound regret, and added that the occurrence was a chance accident, the undoubted cause being an explosion of the boiler of the dynamo. Dubosc, the Spanish charge d'affaires, called at the state department to express his profound regret, and the entire Spanish staff left their cards at the navy department as a mark of personal condolence. At all of the foreign establishments there was the deepest interest and solicitude over the affair, and during

the day Ambassador Cambon, of France, Sir Julian Pauncefote, of the British embassy, and other foreign representatives, called on the president or at the state department to express their regrets. THE DOOMED CRUISER. The Maine was looked upon as one

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the wreck and its load of agony. Spanish boats from the shore joined those of the Washington alongside at once. One of the officers of the Maine stated that at 8 o'clock p.m. all the magazines on board the battleship were closed, and the keys turned over to Capt. Sigsbee, her commander. The explosion occurred at 9:45 p.m. The officer then rushed on deck and assisted in lowering a boat and in trying to rescue the men in the water. Another officer said: "I was sitting with two more officers in the mess with two more officers in the mess room, when a heavy explosion occurred. It was so heavy that we understood the ship would be lost, and we went to the upper deck and found she had been badly wrecked, that she was on fire and sinking. All efforts were then directed towards lowering the

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