

TOTAL DESTRUCTION OF THE BIG BATTLESHIP MAINE

The Disaster Much Worse Than First Reports Indicated.

AWFUL LOSS OF LIFE Two Hundred and Sixty Are Killed.

MANY OTHERS WOUNDED Nothing Definite Known of the Cause of the Explosion, but Many Theories Have Been Advanced—A Thorough Investigation Will Be Made.

President McKinley Decides Not to Send Another Warship to Havana at Present.

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FATE OF THE CLARA NEVADA

Hope Is Cherished That Some Passengers May Have Been Saved.

SHIP LOST IN A BLIZZARD Wreck Undoubtedly Due to Boiler Explosion.

Trouble Had Heretofore Been Experienced with Them—The Rustler of Juneau Goes in Search—An Eye-Witness' Account of the Disaster. The Little Vessel Was Passed in a Blizzard.

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MARTIN TRIAL UNEVENTFUL

Testimony Concerning the Lattimer Affair Is Continued.

FRANK METESHICK'S STORY He Saw Sheriff Martin Aim His Revolver.

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THE NEWS THIS MORNING.

Weather Indications Today: Fair; Warm; Northwesterly Winds.

General—Destruction of the Battleship Maine in Havana Harbor. Ship Clara Nevada Wrecked by a Boiler Explosion.

Local—Revised Figures of Tuesday's Election.

Editorial—Comment of the Press.

Career and Characteristics of the President of the Transvaal Republic.

Local—Mrs. Keator Secures a Big Verdict Against the Traction Company. Day's Doings in Argument Court.

Local—Scranton and the Thirteenth Regiment. Shooting Affray Between Colored Men.

Local—West Side and Suburban. Lackawanna County News.

Neighboring County Happenings. The Markets.

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ESCAPED FROM GIRL'S SCHOOL

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Thereupon an Ohio Woman Sues a Septuagenarian for \$10,000.

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THE SPANISH PRESS

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