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THE UNITED STATES BATTLESHIP "MAINE."

Further Particulars of the Destruction of the Battleship In the Havana Harbor.

"PUBLIC OPINION SHOULD BE SUSPENDED."

Nearly Three Hundred Lives Lost. Intense Excitement Exists in Madrid as Well as all Over the United States.

THE BATTLESHIP MAINE.

The following is a description of the Battleship "Maine." Keel laid in 1886. Displacement 6,682 tons. Speed 17.4 knots. Horsepower 7,525. Cost $2,500,000. The main battery consists of four ten inch and six inch Breech Loading Rifles. The Secondary Battery consists of seven six pounders and eight one pounder rapid fire guns.

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