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FROLIC OF THE TORPEDO BOAT.

In the earlier days of the war, while he excitement of the new condition of affairs was still at its height, the commanders of the different craft engaged in the blockade of Havana were restless under the monotony of their duties, and sometimes did things that were not ordered by the commanderin-chief. So writes a naval correspondent of the Companion, and he proceeds to narrate a pretty lively adventure as a case in point.

One particularly dark night the captain of a torpedo-boat decided to take advantage of the darkness and run well in toward the Morro. With all lights doused, the boat steamed slowly toward the entrance of the harbor until her crew could hear plainly the surf breaking on the rocks under the 'castle." While the boat rolled lazily in the swell, the officers tried to make out the guns and the fortifications at the harbor mouth.

Suddenly, as the boat gave a heavy roll, the switch which turned on the private night signal was moved, and a blaze of red and white lights illuminated the entire boat. Every one made a dash to break the connection. In the rush the colored cook managed to roll overboard, and as he went over the side he grabbed at everything handy. Among the things he took hold of, unfortunately, was the whistle rope.

If the boat had been foundering, nothing more could have been done to attract attention. The big search-light on the Morro twitched around in an uncertain manner, and turned slowly toward the boat. Before it reached them the people on the torpedo-boat managed to turn off the signal; the spasmodic shricking of the whistle stopped when the cook was hauled aboard, and the boat escaped in the darkness without a shot being fired at

The next time his boat went in, the captain took in his private night signal and the cook had orders to stay in the galley.

Steamship Statistics.

There are fully 1,000 tons of piping of various kinds in the average Atlantic liner. The furnaces will consume no less than 7,500,000 cubic feet of air an hour. The boiler tubes, if placed offered to the public in a straight line, would stretch nearly ten miles, and the condenser tubes more than twenty-five miles. The total number of separate pieces of steel in the main structure of the ship is not less than 40,000, and the total number of cubic feet of timber used in the construction is more than 100,000. The total number of rivets is not far from 1,250,000.

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tered the service of the Rock Island.

William C. K. Wilde, the younger brother of Oscar Wilde, who died in London several days ago, came to New York after marrying ...rs. Frank Leslie in 1891 with the intention of writing for publication. He had been connected with various English papers in a desultory fashion for several years resistance to be provided at every point but had never displayed any marked of the masonry. In Cairo, the experts ability as a writer. Mr. Wilde was tall, young and of pleasant address. His style of writing did not commend itself to any of the New York newspapers, and during his stay in New York he was apparently a man of leis-ure, spending most of his time at the Lotus club. The divorce which freed Mrs. Leslie from her English husband was not unexpected by the men who

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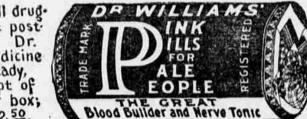
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