REPORT OF CAPT. COOK.

Some of the Destruction of Admiral Cervera's Fleet Off Santiago.

WHAT THE BROOKLYN TOOK IN THE FIGHT.

The Good Jersey Twenty Shoes to Whole Ships and Yet an Honorable Victory.

Washington, July 28.—The navy department this afternoon made public the reports of the commanders of the Brooklyn, the Texas and the Gloucester in the battle of Santiago. The text of the Texas report follows:

U. S. F. S. Texas, First rate, Guantanamo Bay, July 1, 1898.

Sir: I have the honor to report that at 9:30 a. m. July 3, I left my anchorage with the Texas and steamed out of the harbor of Santiago, in company with the Brooklyn, Oregon, Iowa and Indiana, and the torpedo boat Ericsson, and engaged the enemy's fleet, consisting of the Cristobal Colon, Almirante Oquendo, Vizcaya and two torpedo destroyers, which had come out of the harbor before us, and were engaged by the Brooklyn, Oregon and Iowa. The Texas was not able to get her full speed for some time, on account of the fouling of her bottom, and was obliged to keep her port battery in action while passing the Spanish fleet, firing at the Vizcaya and Almirante Oquendo. The Texas then turned and came down the line, firing her starboard battery at the Spanish fleet, and passed the Oregon, which was then in close action with the Spanish fleet. The Texas then ceased firing and followed the Brooklyn, which had passed the Spanish fleet and was then engaging the Cristobal Colon. The Texas then opened her port battery and continued firing at the Cristobal Colon until she ran ashore, when we opened fire with our starboard battery upon her. The Texas then ceased firing and went to her assistance, but she was then on fire in several places and her officers and men had taken to the water. The fire at the main was soon out, but she had lost her steering gear and was drifting ashore