

NEW BATTLESHIP LAUNCHED.

Six Men Hurt When New Hampshire Leaves the Ways in Camden.

CAMDEN, N. J., June 30.—The battleship New Hampshire was launched today at the yards of the New York Shipbuilding Company, in this city. Miss Hazel E. McLane, a daughter of Gov. McLane, of New Hampshire, named the battleship.

Five workmen were injured a half an hour before the ceremonies while clearing away the props which held the big vessel. The timbers gave way without warning and struck the men. James Campbell of Gloucester and Joseph Kappakinski were taken to a hospital suffering from severe bruises about the head and body. The condition of Campbell is serious.

The launching party had not reached the stand when the accident occurred, and did not know that anything unusual had happened until the vessel had left the ways.

Miss McLane visited the shipyard yesterday afternoon and rehearsed the part she was to play this morning. Her first effort was a failure, but when the bottle struck the prow of the New Hampshire today she used sufficient force to completely shatter it.

Miss Marion Shortwell of Cambridge and Miss Margaret Thayer of Concord, N. H., were maids of honor. Among those on the stand were:

Gov. John McLane of New Hampshire and Mrs. McLane, Clinton A. McLane, and John R. McLane, all of Milford, N. H.; Secretary of State Edward N. Pearson and Mrs. Pearson of Concord, Mr. and Mrs. Edward G. Leach of Franklin, Gen. William F. Thayer of Concord, Gen. Frank E. Kelly of Milford, N. H., and others on Gov. McLane's staff.

The New Hampshire is a sister ship to the battleship Kansas, which was recently launched. The general dimensions are: Length on load water line, 450 feet; length over all, 456 feet 4 inches; extreme beam to molding, 75 feet 5½ inches; to outside of plating, 76 feet 8 inches; extreme beam to outside of armor, 76 feet 10 inches.

The battleship's propelling power will consist of twin-screw, four-cylinder, triple-expansion engines of a combined indicated horse power of 16,500. Each engine will be placed in a separate watertight compartment. The contract calls for a speed of 18 knots an hour for four consecutive hours.