Launch of H.M. Tank Vessel "Despatch."—The above-named vessel was successfully launched, with steam up, rigged, and fully equipped for sea, on Saturday last by the builders, Messrs. Maudslay, Sons, and Field, of Greenwich East, in the presence of a numerous company, including several officers of the Prussian navy. The ceremony of christening the vessel was performed by Miss E. Lucas. The vessel’s principal dimensions are: Length between perpendiculars, 115 feet; breadth extreme, 22 feet; depth, 10 feet; and 267 20-04 tons, builders’ measurement. She is propelled by a pair of engines of the collective nominal power of 40 horses, and is destined for the service of the Royal William Victualling Yard, at Devonport, for carrying fresh water and provisions to the fleet, for which purpose she is admirably adapted, having been built under the superintendence of James Luke, Esq., surveyor and inspector of contract work for the Royal Navy. The tanks for carrying the provisions and fresh water are constructed wholly independent of the ship, and are capable of carrying 150 tons of water. The hull is divided by seven bulkheads, in eight watertight compartments. The auxiliary steam engine and pump in the engine room are so arranged as to draw from either of the tanks independently. The ship’s pumps are also arranged to draw from the tanks and from each of the compartments. The vessel has been completed ready to be given over to the Government authorities at Woolwich in the comparatively short space of seven months, and it has been the study of the builders to complete her in every respect for the service for which she is intended. This being the second vessel built by the same firm for this peculiar service, it contains all the improvements suggested by the officers of the Victualling department at Portsmouth, and will prove, in all respects, a more useful vessel than her sister the "Pelez."