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Troops parade in beleaguered Madrid and the citizens of the capital hold processions as a demonstration of their invincible spirit. In the front line <sup>the daily routine of an army at war goes on —</sup> not so very far away attack and defence pursue their dogged course. Militiamen in the advanced trenches continue to put up a stubborn ~~defence~~ resistance day after day in this interminable war. ~~Who guessed when it started that it would drag on for so long? Who can guess even now what its cost may be in men and economic reserves? The word to-morrow used to be a favourite in Spain --- we wonder, do they dare now speak of to-morrow?~~

LLANDOVERY CASTLE.

With a hole in her side and her bows down by 30 feet, this ten thousand ton British liner limped into the French harbour of Port Vendres. She had struck a mine off the coast of Spain, while ~~proceeding~~ proceeding from Gibraltar to Marseilles. Luckily there were no fatal results and the crew were landed safely in the French harbour. From Oregon comes this story of an Italian motor ship --- sitting ~~in~~ ingloriously upon the mud of the Columbia River, ~~as a result of~~ ~~naval penetration.~~ Divers began their work and insurance officials came to work out how much they owed. Cause of the tragedy was a collision through confusion of signals --- and the gentleman who did the ramming was the Edward Luckenbach. He wanted luck in front.