

SPANISH DESTROYER.

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A Spanish Government destroyer off Falmouth. After receiving damage during an insurgent raid, ~~off Falmouth~~, <sup>she</sup> ~~this warship~~ anchored off the coast of Britain to effect the necessary repairs. Sixty of the crew came ashore, and refused to rejoin their ship -- deserters from the war which is destroying Spain --- the war which has imperilled the peace of all Europe for more than a year. Also at Falmouth was the British Tanker Stanbridge --- hit during the same air-raid --- a yawning hole in her side, shows how near she came to ending her days in Spanish waters.

From Felixtoe forty officers and men with No. 209 Squadron prepared to leave for Malta. Bad weather ~~thax~~ delayed them, but they left eventually to take up their duties with the anti-piracy patrol. The ~~XAXX~~ Air Force co-operating with the Navy in the Mediterranean, to safeguard merchantmen from attack by submarines. There is also danger in the war zone from Bombs that fall promiscuously from ~~the~~ ~~skies~~ aeroplanes of one side or the other. To prevent misunderstandings, H.M.S. Warspite has adorned her decks with the red, white and blue of the Union Jack. War looms large in our news. From Europe to Asia --- in Shanghai as in Spain the streets that formerly were used for peaceful trade and transport, now tremble beneath the rumbling wheels of war. A civilization that dates back countless centuries crumbles under the heel of fear --- modern China flees as in the pages of their history their ancestors fled before the Manchus. On all sides lie the wounded --- Japanese --- Chinese --- and Europeans.

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