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## MINING THE COASTS OF EIRE.

Eire is looking to the defence of her coast as, to a certain extent, she is now cut off from supplies, and is forced to rely on her own resources. One means of defence is by the laying of mines. Men of the Marine Service fit the deadly charges into their casings and, after final adjustment, the mines are taken out and lowered into the sea. Being of the controlled type, they are moored below the surface and can only be exploded from the control room ashore. Friendly ships can enter in safety even if they actually strike the mine. They are equally harmless should they break from their moorings.

But see what happens, when fired from a shore-operated plunger.

Imagine the effects of this underneath the keel of an enemy vessel.

The spirit of preparedness also prevails across the Atlantic. American business and professional men are actually paying over £11 each for a 30 day course in National Defence. Millionaires and mechanics, rich and poor alike, are enlisting for military training at Plattsburg Camp, New York. Many saw service during the last World War, and hundreds have now exchanged their panamas for Service Hats.