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H.M.A.S. "SYDNEY" COMES HOME

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Back to her home port comes His Majesty's Australian Ship "Sydney"

And the City of Sydney opens its heart to the battle-scarred cruiser and its gallant crew, who, in a score of encounters in the Mediterranean cockpit of war have added further laurels to the brilliant record of Australia's fighting Navy.

The Premier, Mr. Mair, and the Lord Mayor, Alderman Crick go aboard the ship to congratulate Captain Collins and his crew on their magnificent achievements. A commemorative plaque is unveiled, a gift from the city whose name the ship bears. A rosebowl is presented for the wardroom mess and tankards for the Warrant Officers' mess.

Now Sydney lines its streets to hail its heroes - the citizens' mass tribute to its own sailermen, the fame of whose deeds rings round the world. Back from a year on active service - a year crowded with fast action and deeds of high courage.

To the Sydney's hard-hitting guns fell the Bartolomeo Colleoni, speedy Italian cruiser, which in a duel to the death, plunged to the depths, a smoking wreck.

These are the men who already have helped to humble Italy's pride. Soon they'll go forth again to range the world's oceans. The good wishes of Sydney, of all Australia, do with them.

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