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SALVING THE NIOBE - - Divers find the battered
wreck of the German cadet ship, which foundered with
all hands. -Kiel, Germany-

Picture.:- The crew of sixty-nine cadets didn't have a
chance when the Niobe--

--was caught by a sudden gust during a thunderstorm. ...

Divers were soon at the scene of the--

--disaster, and located the sunken ship--

--eleven fathoms, (that's sixty-one feet) below the surface
of the Baltic Sea. The stricken vessel lay amid
a tangled--

--mass of long lost ships, but divers managed to separate
the masts and--

--rigging, so that they--

--will have room to work, down there in the depths, preparing
the--

--tragic training ship for her last--

--journey into port. She was a 650-tonner, as proud
a vessel as ever sailed--

--the seas, - - and then, suddenly, came--

--the end. Germany's first major naval disaster
since the war.

They have practically stripped her of all above-deck--

--gear, so they will soon have only the hull with its tragic
cargo to raise and take--

--home.A sad end to a proud career !