

THROUGH THE SUEZ CANAL

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ACTIVITY ON EAST AFRICAN ROUTE.

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Should the Suez Canal be barred to Italian ships ?

I don't know ! But it's open now, and

this is what it looks like from a

French mail-boat. Italian troop transports, loaded to the plimsoll line with men and munitions, plough their peaceful way

to Eritrea to help on the war, which has been described as "whites with black shirts fighting blacks with white shirts". The Italian troops are war enthusiastic, imbued with ideas of making Abyssinia fit for Italian heroes to live in. Sounds rather like a strange echo from the wicked past, doesn't it ?

At Port Said French troops, co-operating with British men-of-war are stationed, guarding the neutrality of the gateway to the disturbed zones.