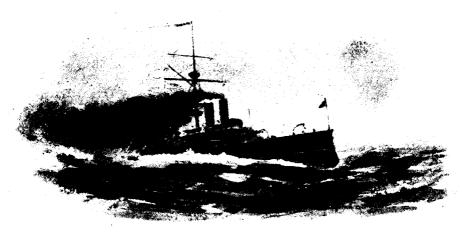


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THE DARING.-Torpedo Boat Destroyer.

and torpedo-boat destroyers. The work the line of battle has to do, is to at once bring the similar heavy fighting ships of the enemy to action, and having defeated and crippled him, drive him into his ports. In seeking out the enemy, the cruisers act as souts, performing similar duties to those of cavalry in the army; cruisers are swift ships of large reserve coal-carrying capacity, and differ from the line of battle ships essentially, in

the feature that defensive armor and heavy armament are sacrificed to lightness and speed, the line of battle alone carrying the heaviest guns and thick side armor. In the design of ships for the line of battle, it must be borne in mind that speed has been sacrificed to enable them to carry heavy weight, and if heavy weight is unduly added to the armament, it must, with a given tonnage, be taken either from the weight of the



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