

(k) Blockade of **Athens** by Lysander, 404. Terms of surrender :

- (1) Destruction of the Piræus, Phalerum, Long Walls.
- (2) Limitation of Athens' authority to Attica.
- (3) Limitation of her fleet to 12 ships.
- (4) Athens the subject-ally of Sparta.
- (5) Restoration by Athens of oligarchic exiles.
- (6) Recognition of the independence of Athenian allies.

(l) Break-up of the Delian Confederacy, and Athenian Supremacy, 404.

IV. Nicias:—

1. Character and Politics :

Upright, generous, affable, unambitious, brave ; always behind hand, vacillating, short-sighted, obstinate. "An oligarch by taste, sentiment, position of wealth and family. Leader of the aristocratic element."

2. His Policy :

- (a) Peace of Nicias, 421 : Sacrifice of Athenian interests.
- (b) Opposition to the expedition against Sphacteria and to the Sicilian expedition.

3. Nicias and the War :

- (a) A general under Pericles.
- (b) Chief commander at the siege of Syracuse.
- (c) Failure of the siege, due to Nicias' petty trifling, presumptuous neglect, lamentable mismanagement and gross incompetency.
- (d) Ignominious destruction of Athens' greatest armament, including the leaders Nicias and Demosthenes : "the turning-point in the struggle with Sparta."