## munition Steamer Collided With An－ other Vessel－－－T he Loss of Life Likely Very Heavy，and Destruction Great

## By Courier Leased Wire

 number of dead from munition ship explosion at 300 Halifax，N．S．，Dec． 6 －－Hundreds of persons were killed and a thou－ sand others injured and half of the city of Halifax is in ruins as the re sult of the explosion on a munitions ship in the harbor to－day，It is estimated the property loss will run into the millions． It is estimated the property loss will run into the millions．
The north end of the city is in fames． $\boldsymbol{A T}$ LEAST $\boldsymbol{F I F T Y}$ KILLED．
Truro，N．S．，Dec． $6-$ It is repor ted here that the first estimate o the loss of life in the explosion in Halifax harbor this morning places it at fifty，while the number injured is correspondingly great． DESTRUCTION GREAT．
Amherst－－Later reports on the destruction at Halifax said that the whole city north of the Queens Hotel is a mass of wreckage，and that fires have brok
several miles．
The Canadian Government depotalso used by the C．P．P．is describ－ ed as utterly crushed，while the repairing plant at Willow Park is wreck
d．The vessels collided soon after 8.30 this morning，and it is presumed that the mupition shii was hit tin thastokehold because instantly flames the fire fighting apparatus to work，but the explosion occurred before anything could be done．

Amherst，N．S．，Dee． $6-$－An American ammunition boat collided with another boat at Rockinghom，three miles from Halifax．A section o Halifax is on fire．
Hundreds of buildings were destroyed or damaged，scores of lives believed lost and certain sections of the city are in names．

The crews of the ships in the collision were all killed．
Rockingham is located well within Halifax harbor，at the south of Bedford Basin．It is at the northwestern portion on for ocean steamers． It was at this portion of the harbor that ex－Ambassador Bernstorff and party were held and examined on their way from the United States to party were
Germany．
Ottawa，Dec．6－－According to advices reeeived here the Halifax disaster was due to the blowing up of ammunition ship in the harbor at
eight 0 clock this morning．All telegraph wires are down and the dam－ age is very serious．It is believed a number of people near the scene were either killed or injured，including several telegraph employees．

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## Sailors' Day Dec. 8th

when the Daughters of the Empire will ask for our subscriptions for the sailors of the British Navy and the Mercantile Marine. Canada's gift last year of sion 0 Sailors and their dependents, for Sailors' Homes, Institutes and Hospitals in Canada and through out the British Empire" and for the work o the Navy League-will surely be surpassed

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