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SINKING THE BATTLESHIP?
The battleship is apparently just about ready to embark on its final cruise. A queer combination of idealism,
changing strategy, economy and plain common sense seems to be on the ferge of scuttling the so-called "capit
ship" forever; and no one need mourn very greatly ov
the loss. Taking one thing with another, the battleship
been the object of about as much inventive genius and
entific study as any other institution in all history More money has been spent to perfect, it than has
been spent in the war on cancer. Some of the best minds the world. has produced have been devoted to solving the
battleship's problems. Great laboratories, as expensive as anything the Rockefeller Foundation ever built, have been established for it.
And yet, all in all, the battleship has advanced hu-
man happiness, very little. It has been a weapon for de struction. From start to finish it has been necessary as we had supposed, we can it is not quite But no friend of peace has any reason to relax and
think that the abolition of battleships, speedy or think that the abolition of battleships, speedy or gradual,
is going to bring naval warfare to an end. It will save
everybody a lot of money-a modern battleshin costs around $\$ 35,000,000$ and the United States fleet has 18 of
them at this writing-but .it will still be quite easy for any
nation to go sailing gaily into war with submarine and eruisers. The battleship, to be sure, can hit harder than any-
thing else afloat. But an eight-inch shell can do a goodish thing else afloat. But an eight-inch shell can do a goodish
bit of damage, anid a cruiser that can fling ten of them at
a time can break a lot of crockery in the course of an hour's engagement. And you might remember tha
most horrible aspect of the sea fighting in the last
was caused, not by battleships, but by submarines. was caused, not by battleships, but by submarines.
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he rulers of the world have had a great change of heart. will simply mean that they have decided that the bat
leship has grown too expensive to be put up with any lo ger-and, also, that naval strategists have decided th
fleets can fight just about as well without battleships. The danger of competitive armament races will re-
main just as strong as ever. If the United States and Eng-
land, for instance, continue to scan one another's building land, for instance, continue to scan one another's building
programs anxiously, and lay down new cruisers frantically
in order to keep from being outbuilt, we shall have another race identical with the German-English rave that
ted up to 1914, even if the ships involved are lighter

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