



At Sea, 5th February, 1944.

Souvenir Number

EDITORIAL

Greetings to Those at Home

As this number of our ship's paper is essentially a souvenir number, and as, for that reason, most of the copies will find their way home, we take this opportunity of extending, on behalf of all the men, greetings and best wishes to those who are waiting patiently for news. We hope you feel that our thoughts are still with you, even though we are far away. There are some of us who are going for the second time; there are many with wives and children; there are some who have just attained military age: for all of us the predominant hope in our minds is for our early reunion with those we left behind.

This issue will be made on the basis of one copy to each man and it is intended that it be a memento of our crossing of the Line.

The Equator

Behold Ye, *To whom it may concern, that, whilst on Active Service,*

Sgt. A. S. Ward

HAS crossed the Line from the South to the North in the absence of His Majesty Neptunus and His Court.

Therefore I *Adjure all men and women of good will to render unto him or her every assistance in confounding His Majesty's enemies in both Hemispheres.*

Given *Under my hand this Fifth day of February in the year Nineteen hundred and Forty-Four the day of crossing from South to North.*

Lee

MASTER.