H.M.S. "HAVOCK."
(Torpedo-Boat Destroyer)

H.M.S. "BLENHEIM."
(Cruiser)

SHIPS OF THE ROYAL NAVY.
The "UNION JACK," THE FLAG OF OUR COUNTRY.

The UNION JACK is made up of the three Crosses of ENGLAND, SCOTLAND, and IRELAND, and is thus truly the flag of the UNION. In the early history of England the Red Cross of St. George by itself was the Flag of England. When the Crowns of England and Scotland were united at the accession of James the VI. of Scotland to the throne of England, under the title of James the 1st, King of Great Britain and Ireland, the White Cross (or Saltire) of St. Andrew was added to the Cross of St. George; but it was not until the Act of Union between England and Scotland in 1707 that the flag containing the Crosses of England and Scotland became by law the National Flag. In 1801, after the Union with Ireland, the Red Cross of St. Patrick was added, and thus the UNION JACK was made up.