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A MALTA BOMBARDIER

What He Was Thinking About in the Blitz

A letter has just been received at the offices of a firm of
Estate Agents at Weston-super-Mare.

It came from Malta.

The island had, at that time, just gone through five weeks
"blitz" in which there were 200 air raids. There had been only
three quiet nights in that period and the islands record had mounted
to 1,250 raids.

The letter came from a lance bombardier who had spent practically
every waking hour with his artillery unit.

Did he complain of his lot? Was he despairing that the island, or
the cause for which it stands, was going to be lost?

The letter said:

I am now booking demonstration stands in anticipation of the
quick cessation of hostilities and would like to take space in the Regent
Street Arcade for the sale of household labour saving devices.

I am prepared to forward a deposit in good faith as an option
immediately on receipt of an affirmative reply from you. I would be
grateful if you will let me have your reply by Air Mail Card (postage 3d)
at your earliest convenience.

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MINISTRY OF INFORMATION

Note for the press (Not for Publication).

The Estate Agent's name is Stephens.