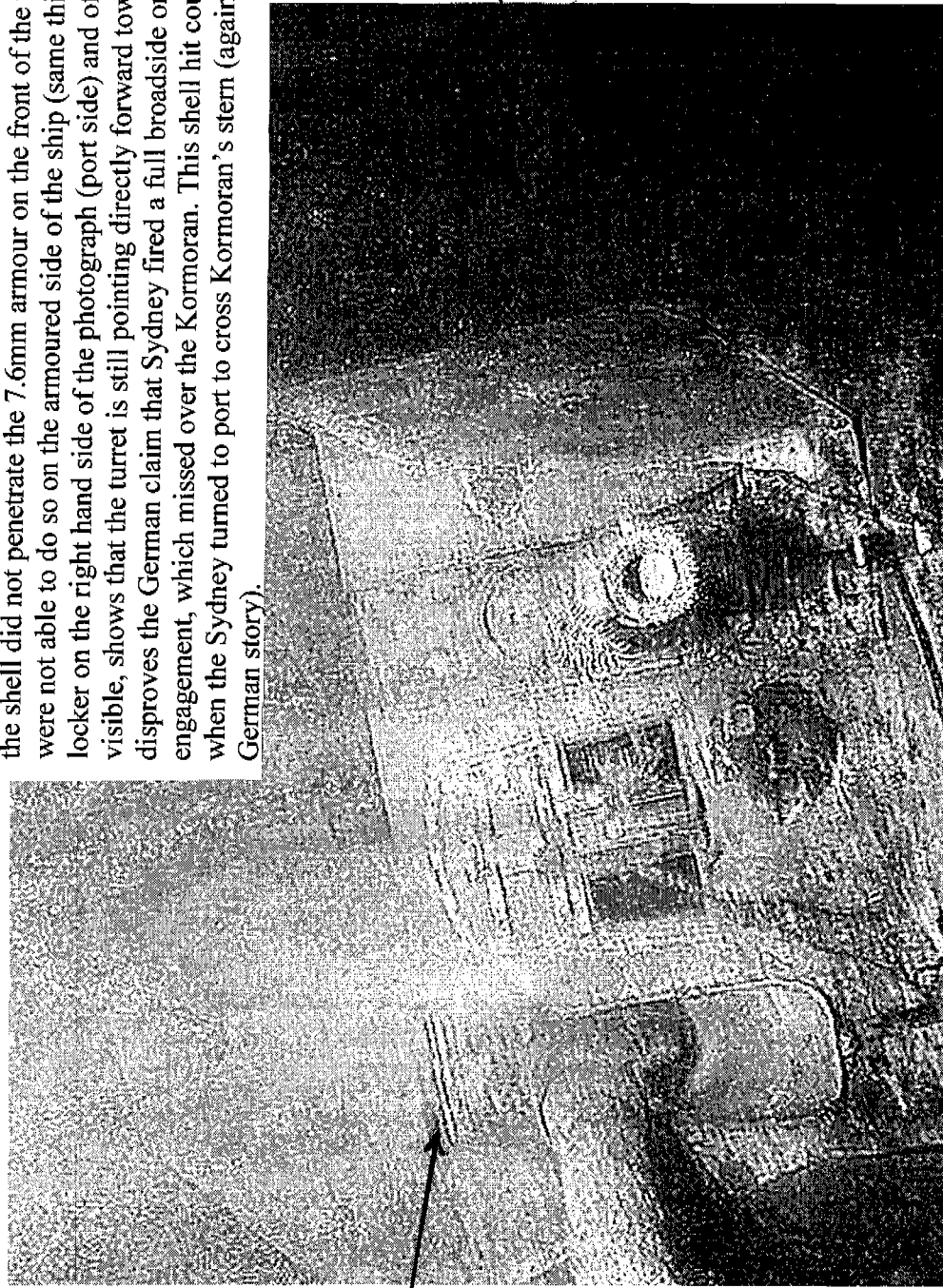




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'B' turret in the photographs shows a direct hit in the middle of the turret, but it is clear the shell did not penetrate the 7.6mm armour on the front of the turret, just as the shells were not able to do so on the armoured side of the ship (same thickness armour). The locker on the right hand side of the photograph (port side) and of the turret, which is just visible, shows that the turret is still pointing directly forward toward the bow. This disproves the German claim that Sydney fired a full broadside on opening the engagement, which missed over the Kormoran. This shell hit could only have taken place when the Sydney turned to port to cross Kormoran's stern (again only according to the German story).

Square top on gun port at top - this gun could only elevate to about 50° not 60° that Sydney could do.



Locker on deck shows turret facing forward. The turret never fired to port as the Germans all Claimed.