

GERMANY EAGERLY SEIZES WILSON'S PROPOSALS TO ADVANCE OBJECTS

"The choice today is between an untimely peace, with years of fear, and a few months of suffering and lasting peace."

"We are in the ascendancy now," said Major Williams, "there is no doubt about that. We are stronger than the enemy in artillery and ammunition, our infantry are better equipped and more numerous."

"It will, when the moment shall come, be ready with pleasure to collaborate entirely with the United States in this exalted task."

The first Christmas of the European war was passed without much fighting on the British and French fronts, where only the artillery was active. The men were teased and entertained as far as was compatible with the severity of the war.

"Christmas comes but once a year but when it comes it brings good cheer." This old saying was evidenced in the case of the boys of the 181st Battalion Monday when they sat down to their Christmas dinner. L.

Col. D. W. Beaubier, the officer commanding, and Capt. J. Giddings, the Quartermaster, left nothing undone to ensure a real good Christmas dinner being served out to the boys of the Battalion and the enlisted men.

That the horse still has a strong hold on the affection of the Brandon people was evidenced yesterday when a large crowd turned out to view the racing put on by the Gendemen's Driving Club. In spite of the fact that the weather was quite

The same would apply to the Hotel for the Insane, and the Braconier General Hospital. Everywhere where it was possible to take a little of season's gladness, there was plenty of the spirit of Christmas abroad to inspire kind hearts and willing hands to dispense it.

(Wholesale Prices)	
Wednesday, December 27, 1916	
Potatoes, per bushel	\$0.84
Beef, dressed carcass, per lb.	10
Pork, dressed carcass, per lb.	10
Veal, dressed carcass, per lb.	11
Chicken, dressed, per lb.	2
Geese, dressed, per lb.	2
Ducks, dressed, per lb.	2
Turkeys, dressed, per lb.	3
Winters, per lb.	22 to 4
Geese, New laid, per dozen	4
Eggs, haled, per ton	12.90

While out with the others of his own nationality shooting rabbits on the Macpherson farm, just west of the Perpetual farm on Saturday last, a Galician was accidentally shot. He died on the way to the Brandon General hospital. It seems that the man who was carrying a gun at the time slipped and fell, the gun went off and discharged its load of shell in the man's thigh. He was being conveyed to the hospital, as stated when death intervened. Deceased was a married man and leaves a wife and three children. He resided on Twentieth street.

The king said that the Roumanian army had struggled against the forces of four combined enemies in a manner justifying Roumania looking to the future with absolute confidence. According to the dispatch the king was given an enthusiastic reception by the senators and deputies.

★ The annual meetings of the
★ Manitoba Grain Growers' Association
★ will be held in Brandon
★ on January 8th, 9th and 10th.
★ The various live stock associations
★ of Manitoba will be held
★ here on the same dates. The
★ meetings are literally the
★ "farmers' parliament" of the
★ province, and much importance
★ is attached to the result of
★ their deliberations. About 500
★ delegates may attend these
★ gatherings.

"It is impossible to do much in the winter, as the roads are quite impassable, and it is impossible to get our artillery and ammunition up quick enough, but you can expect a big advance next Spring."

Another Brandon boy to obtain distinction for valor on the field of battle is Pte. Philip S. McKenzie, son of Mr. Philip McKenzie, 232 Victoria avenue, of this city. His name, with a number of other Canadians, has been awarded the Military Medal for distinguished services. The young hero was born and bred in Brandon. He was twenty-seven years of age, and some time ago figured on the casualty list as wounded.

London, Dec. 26.—Following up their victory against the Turks in the capture of El Arish, ninety miles east of the Suez Canal, the British forces in Egypt have captured a strong Turkish position at Magiddalah, twenty miles to the southeast of El Arish, taking some 1,100 prisoners, two guns and quantities of war material.

★ sition at Maghdadah, twenty miles
★ south-southeast of El Arish, after
★ engagement beginning at nine o'clock
★ in the morning. Five hundred pri-
★ soners were taken. Aircraft co-opera-
★ tion, involving with bombs and machine
★ gun fire from a low altitude."

* not yet at hand. The total capt
of * are now 1,130 prisoners, at least
00 * guns and a large quantity of arms
se * war material. The enemy's ca
* ties were considerable. Our
* planes continue to harass the ene

Rome, Dec. 26.—(Official).—Several enemy ships attacked our patrol ves-

British mount troops, with the co-operation of aircraft, carried a strong position at Madaaba, twenty miles distant from El Arish, which was captured on Thursday. The news, reported from Cairo, says that 1,130 prisoners were captured and a large quantity of arms and war material taken.

Macedonia, except for an artillery struggle, is void of momentous activity. The same is true generally of

**Preparatory to New Year's Gam
They Take on Brandon Col-
lege Players ..**

the Julian front, where given such operations have been prevented by mist.

Two British destroyers have been sunk in a collision in the North sea. Fifty-five officers and men were lost.

Boats in danger.

That the All-Stars have not lost the knack of locating the basket is shown by the way three of the locals will stack up against the Winnipeg next Monday night, aided by a couple

Berlin, Dec. 26. — The Roumanian town of Filipești, on the railroad between Buzen and Fraila, was captured by the Roumanians.

Strongly-entrenched Russian positions on both sides of the village were stormed.

On Carso Plateau
Berlin, Dec. 26.—“The artillery fire

temporarily," says the official Austrian report of December 24th from the Italian front.

U. S. BOAT BEACHED

London, Dec. 20. — The American steamship Kamsan, recently reported to have been damaged by striking a mine, has been beached in the St. Nazaire roads, as she was drawing too much water to enter the docks. Her cargo will be lightered.

cord of winning races by again proving the victor in the A class pace although contending with a high class

was second and as he made his first appearance on ice deserves credit for the showing made. Elsie L. and Remond went good races but were unable to cope with the first named. It was Elsie's first appearance out of the stable for some time and judging by the form she showed in the second

The officials kept their promise to the public and with the co-operation of the horsemen were able to run the

The following are the complete re-

Wayne Elder, D. Hyndman	..2	2	2
Broncho Bill, C. Falls	..3	3	3
Time—1.05, 10.5½, 1.07.			

Cecilian Bill, J. K. Pelton	.1	1	1
Phil Patch, W. E. Strange	.2	3	2
Else L., M. Gammon	.3	2	4

Time—1.12, 1.13, 1.12.

Dan, G. Munroe	1	1	1
Stephen Wilson, R. E. Rice ..	2	2	2
McKidd, Mr. McDonald ..	3	3	3

Bates, Robert Gambol.

GERMANS CLAIM MORE PRISONERS IN ROUMANIA

Berlin, Dec. 26.—Five thousand five hundred more prisoners have been taken by the Teutonic Allies in Roumania, the War Office announced.