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Enemy Opposite Does Not  
Like Result of Hinden-  
burg's "Strategic Retreat"  
—Stories from the Firing  
Line.

(By A. A. M., the well-known Con-  
tributor to Punch.)

Writing two or three weeks ago I compared our present front line as a winter resort, favorably with our front line of other years, and said that the Germans had much more to fear from the thaw than we had. For this year it was the British who held the high ground. That ground has been won at a great cost; to the map-reader at home it has seemed in square miles an inconceivable victory, but the German in his trench knows all about it this week. For what we spent last autumn we are now being repaid.

"Many of the German first line sectors are in a fearful condition," says a correspondent. "Now and again during the past week or two we have grabbed some muddy scarecrows out of their water-logged trenches, or they have lost their way in trying to find these ditches from which the sandbags have silted down, and have fallen gladly enough into the hands of our men. They tell miserable tales of their discomfort."

For instance, one party on being introduced to their dugout, found that it had eighteen inches of water on the floor. They passed the night in a position. The roof was too low for them to stand, and the water too deep for them to wade. In the confusion of their action of their newspapers, with their articles on Hindenburg's wonderful strategy of the "elastic front" and his strategy, which withdraws you just before the winter from the high ground to the low, may look like a defeat. The men standing up to their knees in water the beauty of it is not so immediately obvious.

"Afterwards," the correspondent goes on, "they kept baling the water out and spread their blankets on the wet ground, until an hour or two later the water rose again, and they had to bale it out once more. So the days passed with little food, because it was difficult to get up supplies."

So the days pass now on the western front. In German orders which have been captured instructions are given to prevent the men deserting on their way to the front line. One can understand that such orders are necessary, for to desert in face of mud may well seem to carry less dishonor with it than to desert in face of fire. It is running away from the elements, not from the British. And these deserters, we learn, are not shot, but are sent back to prisons. More than one correspondent reports this relaxation in German discipline, as if the authorities were afraid of punishing their men too severely.

A "Home-made" Auto.  
Here is a jolly story from the official correspondent with the Australian forces. He had been visiting a certain pioneer battalion.

"As we returned we heard the furious panting of a motor engine, and a weird contraption of a vehicle darted into the fair-way, switched its nose around and scuttled down the road like an excited cockroach. Every man and beast near by left off working, eating, talking, to watch it. Some pioneers cheered it, and a team of mules looked on as if they would like to. It was a platform on four wheels surmounted by a small green garden seat affair and an oil-drum, and round the oil-drum was passed a length of hose pipe. "That's that," said the pilot, "Mr. Blank's motor car. He dislikes walking, so he made that. The engine and the twisted frame he found cast away somewhere by an English unit which had given it up for dead. He badly wants a radiator but, till he finds one, the oil-drum full of water and hose-pipe attachment assist to cool his engine. One of them sits on the oil-drum till the water inside gets too hot. Then they have to empty it and refill. It is the pride of the battalion."

But there is plenty of scope for the mechanically-minded in France. Many of the switchboards in the telephone exchanges are "home-made" out of old cartridge cases and other odds and ends of metal. And in every battalion the pioneer section will do wonderful things for your comfort, with no more material than a rough idea where the R. E. dump is and a rather rougher idea as to when the R. E. officer is likely to be having his lunch. But I must not give the infantry away.

Austrian Airman Different.  
Fighting has been largely at a standstill in Italy, too, save in the air. Here are airmen who have been making a name for themselves. According to Italian correspondents the British find the Austrian airmen very different metal from the German. In France one can imagine that each side by this time has learnt all the tricks of the other side, and has no longer any monopoly in its own special stunts. To come across a new set of opponents must be at least interesting, and is, so the Italians tell us, proving profitable.

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southeast this winter carried a truck on the left running board, measuring 12 by 28 by 30 in. It is illustrated in the March Popular Mechanics Magazine. It was made of three-ply bass-

wood, and covered with enameled cotton duck. A lighter trunk for clothing, measuring 10 by 18 by 28 in., was carried in the larger container. Other articles in the list of contents were an air mattress, a camp stove, aluminum camping outfit of 51 pieces, aluminum coffee pot, and six boxes for groceries and meats. A tent and bedding were carried at the rear.

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