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### The Serbian Army is Being Reorganized, The Forces in Albania Numbering 100,000.

Paris, January 4.—According to a Havas despatch from Athens under date of January 3, the officers of King Peter's suite at Saloniki declare that the Serbian forces concentrated in Albania, not including the Serbian detachments co-operating with the Montenegrin army, number 100,000. "These forces," adds the despatch, "are almost completely reorganized, and will be amply provided with uniforms, artillery and horses. No decision has yet been reached as to how these forces will be utilized."

King Peter of Serbia, who is stopping at the Serbian consulate in Saloniki, is expected to preside over the reorganization of the Serbian army, according to Saloniki despatches to the Havas News Agency filed January 2. The army is gradually being assembled at Saloniki.

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### NEWS FROM THE FIRING LINE.

Extracts From Letters from Trooper John C. Brown of the 6th Mounted Rifles, son of C. C. Brown, Greenwich, N. S.

Somewhere in France.  
We have had a taste of real warfare. Spent a day in front line trenches along with some Scotch Canadians. For two hours in afternoon the Germans gave us some lively shell fire. You hear the boom of the gun, perhaps three miles away, then a hurling through the air, followed by a crash as the shell bursts. Luckily for us most of the shells struck in the old trench which was twenty yards behind the new one we were in. However would all crouch close to the parapet as we heard them come. The other regiment has been holding this trench for some time and had made things quite comfortable with dug outs to sleep in. They got their meat raw and each man cooked his own meals and boiled his own tea or cocoa. The dug-outs are nice and warm with a sack hanging down on the entrance so that you can light a candle inside without enemy's snipers seeing the light. Have not seen the papers for four days so can not tell how the war is going. The weather here is fairly mild, no frost yet but rains about two days out of every three. The people here seem quite sociable so we often spend evenings in the farm-houses, smoking and talking. Sometimes we sleep in tents, sometimes as now in barns. So far have had the best of health; no matter how slim the fare or cold the night, manage to get a laugh out of it. Am writing this on top of cap in haymow of barn in which we are living at present. It is very interesting going around country this way. One thing we noticed, practically all horses on the farms are white or gray colored, as these colors are not wanted for military purposes.

Have many New Minas boys enlisted?  
The Prince Albert came today in good shape, thanks to the careful packing. You people do not realize what an immense amount of comfort we get out of our pipes. We go into trenches again pretty soon, this time for a longer stay, last time we were only in twenty-four hours and had no casualties. Believe we are going to have rubber boots next time as mud is sometimes deep in trenches this time of year. Yesterday morning the regiment went to see a football match played by officers of the two other regiments. In afternoon we all had a hot-water bath, some splashing a hundred of us at a time in a tank about twenty feet square. We needed it alright as lately have been washing in a brook, and as it freezes nearly every night some of the boys do not bath very often. The farmers are still harvesting their roots. Most of the roots are put in the trenches 3 feet deep then covered with earth and straw. There is no fruit grown around here, and farmers have no cellars. Roots, grain and hops are their principal crops. They put a very heavy rig for hops to run over; big poles twenty-five feet long, about thirty feet apart and heavy wire connecting them. Aeroplanes are getting to be just a usual thing to us now, hardly notice them except when they are being shelled, or see an aerial conflict. We see often four at a time. Talk about birds they are not in it for flying with the aeroplanes. Often they go so high they are out of sight behind the clouds. Have seen hundreds of shell fired at them but so far have not seen any brought down. You ought to see the queer waggon farmers use here, three wheels usually, two behind and a small one ahead, the horses are about fifteen feet away from the waggon. When using one horse have one line to drive with, at the hames a line goes to each side of the horse's head. When want to gee, flop line on right side of horse, to haw, flop on left side. The hames and collar are all in one piece. Saw three dogs harnessed to a waggon today. Would like to drive one of their queer rigs from Wolfville to Kentville, it would make a sensation. The farmers, however, have some magnificent horses. There is practically no fruit grown in this part and good pears cost about ten cents apiece. We are getting quite used to gun fire; at night heavy reports that shake the building do not wake us. The people around here are very polite; its "Bon jour Monsieur" with everyone you meet. There must be a tremendous lot of drinking done in peace times; in towns every other house is an estaminet or inn, but as spirits are not allowed to be sold now, and we only get one franc or 20c a day there is not a great deal of drinking amongst the men. It takes most of the franc to buy tobacco with. Will look out for a German helmet, but imagine that between now and Christmas will have to look out that I do not lose my own cocoon. Say, you would be surprised to see how used the farmers here are to the war. Yesterday I saw a man calmly plowing away, hour after hour, when shells were hurling through the air over him and falling in a village a short way off. Horses too soon get used to big gun fire. The other evening saw the remains of what was one of the hunting lodges of the Belgian Kings. They say it was a pretty place before the war, but now the roof has been blown off and there are great holes in the walls. Have seen where elm trees as big as the biggest one in front of our house, have been cut off a few feet above the ground by a single big shell. We have a very comfortable billet now, the best since leaving England and very little sickness. It is hard to get anything interesting to read here. The stores are small and poorly stocked also things are very high. Had to give 16 cents for a "Punch" that you get in England for two cents.

Somewhere in France, December 6th.

We got back to billet last night after eight days in front and support trenches. Believe we stay five days for a rest before going back. This certainly seems a lucky regiment, only three men wounded, none of them fatally. Did not find it as bad as expected. Only trouble the last 3 days was with a lot of water in the trenches. Some morning found that it had risen to our dug-outs where we sleep and our feet would be in a pool of it. The dug-outs are like caves the floor two feet above bottom of trench. Our troop was in support trench about sixty yards behind front line, and the trench is badly out of repair a lot of it having caved in from heavy rains. Next time we shall go in front line, another troop taking our place in support. Rifle-fire seems tame and harmless after shell fire. One night about twelve o'clock had it quite warm, a shell burst very near and two big pieces struck the galvanized tin over our dug-out, made us jump. Next shell made a great hole in ground close by. Then, swish, felt the rush of air from the third which however did not burst. Every evening as soon as it got dark our troop walked a mile to get rations for the squadron. All through the night both sides shoot flare bombs so as to guard against attack. Very pretty the rockets look too making great arcs of light against the dark sky. There's one thing that we notice, that is, it seems to make a great difference what German regiments are in opposite trenches. The first six days we could go out in broad daylight and rustle for firewood in plain sight of the enemies' trenches, which were a hill about four hundred yards away, and very seldom get fired at. The last two days, however, things changed, had to follow along ditches and keep under cover where possible. They say the Prussian Guards had relieved the former Germans. Anyway things had changed. Perhaps it was that the latter lot were better shots than the first.

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### MONTENEGRIN FORCES HAVE TAKEN VLOKA

Inflict Severe Losses on Austrians Who Were Forced to Retire in the Vicinity of Roza.

PARIS, January 1.—An official Montenegrin communication, given out here tonight, reports successes over the Austrians, who are said to have sustained heavy losses. The statement follows:

"On the northern front on December 30, there were engagements with artillery.

"On the eastern front, in the vicinity of Roza, we attacked the enemy, who was compelled to retire. We occupied Vloka. Toward Rogava, we repulsed the enemy, inflicting heavy losses and capturing horses and munitions. The Austrians occupied Bogicevic, near Plava, where we had only a small detachment.

"On the western front there was a lively duel. In the region of the Gulf of Cattaro, there was fighting among outposts, in which the enemy sustained serious losses."



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