

Christmas is Fast Approaching

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Love Gifts!

By RUTH CAMERON.



Another objection to the new Christmas I wrote you about is that I have been submitted by a letter friend.

She says, "But think of all the tenderness and good feeling that getting these gifts for those I love must wake up in my heart."

Of course, I'm glad to hear of these things. But I can't bear to do it at the expense of losing that season of heightened good will toward my own.

There is something in that, I own. But I wonder if this lady would not be interested in a plan a friend of mine has followed for some years.

Even Squeezing Couldn't Produce Christmas Presents.

She is a person who has long had a small fixed income. Out of this she always managed to squeeze very pretty gifts for all her friends and relatives. Then some business men did something queer to a stock she owned, it ceased to pay dividends, and even squeezing could not produce Christmas presents.

And then my friend started her new scheme. "I'm not going to give Christmas presents any more," she said. "I can't. But I'm going to give love-gifts in the future."

Of course I asked what love gifts were.

Not Grand Enough To Be Called Christmas Presents.

"Little things," she explained, "not grand enough to be called Christmas presents. Just little bits of things that say 'I love you' specially to-day because it is Christmas. I gathered a lot of balsam when I was in the

woods last summer and I'm stenciling little sachets of it. And then I've saved half a dozen tumblers of my currant jelly and I'm going to take that round to some of my friends that live near here."

The Sweet Elusive Scent That Suggests Her Presence.

That was the first year, in subsequent years she had added to her list of love gifts. Sometimes she sends a package of some kind of seeds from her lovely garden, again she writes a letter and encloses a tiny sachet made of ribbon and filled with the sweet elusive scent that always suggests her presence. Again she carried around to those of her friends within reach a single bulb well started in a little gay crockery pot or bulb vase.

Now suppose one gave this year to those who need it more, of one's money, and gave to those of one's family and friends who were in comfortable circumstances just love gifts—would there necessarily be any tender feeling, any surge of goodwill towards one's own lost, I wonder.

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15 cases 2's Stand. Peaches.

100 cases Package Raisins.

550 cases Ass'd. Tinned Fruits—

Apricots, Peaches, Pears, Apples.

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British "Hush Hush" Cruisers.

NEW WEAPONS OF GREAT FIGHTING POWER.

Paris, Nov. 5.—M. A. Rousseau, the naval critic of the Temps, who has just returned to Paris from visiting the Grand Fleet, has been permitted by the imprimatur of the British Admiralty to give French readers the first description of the famous "Hush Hush" boats, about which, as regards their characteristics, the authorities have succeeded in maintaining hitherto profound secrecy.

We were passing (writes M. Rousseau) in front of ships of unusual aspect, specially constructed craft for war purposes; monitors, trawlers, and the like. Certain of these vessels caught our attention, especially by their outline and dimensions. They appeared to lie low on the water. Perhaps this was an optical effect produced by their length. They have two tripod masts, the first of which carries tops apparently armoured, and in the middle of the vessel rises a very squat central castle, at the extremities of which are the heavy artillery turrets for two guns of the biggest calibre. The secondary battery, the calibre of which is the same as all vessels of the same type, is at the limit of the average and small artillery. The stem of these craft is tapered, more like the beam of a yacht than that of a battleship; it is not perpendicular, but curving inwards to use a sailor's phrase it is a "cut-water." The shape of the stem has certainly been determined in order to realize very high speed and, as a matter of fact, these vessels are very swift, much faster than the fleetest of pre-war cruisers.

These craft—we may call them battle-cruisers—are of two types, or, rather, of two dimensions, for their elements of power are, we believe, the same, except as regards protection. As for speed, it is as high on the small as on the big, and the radius of action having to be the same; and

the armament, if it differs in number, is the same as regards calibre of the principal and secondary artilleries.

These vessels have been created since the war. I say created, because it was stated to me that they were inspired by the lessons of the war. They were begun in 1915, and have been 12 months in service—an admirable result of the organization of the British dockyards. I know not whether they have all been built in private yards, but the most important of them are usually about the size of a destroyer, commanded by Captain Michael Hodgson, formerly Naval Attaché at the British Embassy in Paris, was started out by private industry. Other vessels of the kind are under construction, their dimensions being yet more considerable.

We were received on board "two" of these vessels, on one the smaller, the "as we went through the officers' quarters. I was fairly astonished; two officers were playing billiards. True, the ship was a coach and it is a roadstead as that is possible it is my opinion that the must have fine qualities of stability to have on board a permanent billiard table. On the second, the captain invited us to lunch, and afterwards we visited the fighting quarters—blockhouse, look-out station for submarines, a turret with its enormous guns which fire two shots a minute and which, according to the Germans, weigh 56 tons and throw 555 kilos (1,247 lb.) shell.

Everything is organized to have the fire control in one and the same hand and the laying by one and the same eye. The system invented by Admiral Sir Percy Scott a few years ago has made great progress. The heavy artillery and the secondary artillery are no longer autonomous; everything acts under one and the same direction, and if the guns have a fuse fired in the turret itself, they have another electric one operated from a central station. It is a truly remarkable system, and one which, beyond all doubt has produced highly satisfactory results. Its installation on the new ships shows that it has stood the test.

The ——— and the ——— are very closely related. They are sisters, one being smaller, built to travel together because they have the same fighting power, and can carry that power to any distance at equal speed; they are capable of surprise actions, against which the enemy cannot guard himself, and their speed is a guarantee against the torpedo. None the less, they are fitted with devices to neutralize the explosion as far as possible. They are a proof of the confidence of the British Navy in the powerful surface vessel, capable of heavy hitting, the only one which appears able to assure the mastery of the seas. England is building many submarines, but the development of this new weapon has not affected the theories which have made the naval power of our Allies, and this is proved by the new building programmes, which are the outcome of experience.

Rann-Dom Reels.

DIETING.

DiETING is a painful operation by which a turbulent and high-spirited appetite is reduced to a slow walk.

In early life the appetite does not cause any more trouble than the conscience. No attempt is made to hold it in check, hence it roams from corned beef to lemon sherbet with the utmost recklessness. But after a while the most rugged appetite begins to get shiny and threadbare in spots and refuses to grapple with food which a once could pin to the mat three times out of five. When this occurs, the owner of the appetite takes it to a specialist and is put on a diet which would not keep the breath of life in a humming bird.

DiETING consists of eating something which will not talk back to the stomach. It is a wonderful change to a man who has been accustomed to wash down a bowl of bread and milk with three or four cucumber pickles. One of the greatest surprises which can come into a robust eater's life is to partake of several kinds of food and find that it will not lie down and keep the peace, as of yore.

Some people diet by going without breakfast and lunch and then eating everything down to the doilies at dinner. The most popular method, however, is to go without everything that tastes like food and thus keep the stomach in a placid and submissive state. Once in a while some conscientious dieter will be invited out and partake of real food, which will prove such a shock to his stomach that nothing but two quarts of hot water will calm it down.

DiETING is a good thing for people who object to weighing more than all of the other neighbors in the block, and if kept up long enough will take off more flesh than a hot wave.

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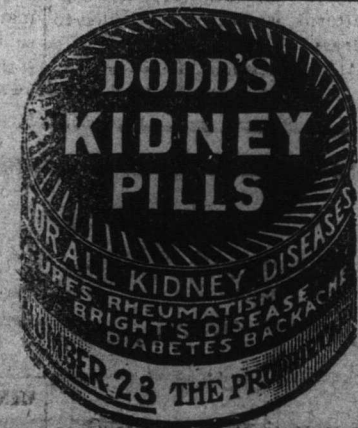
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WAR REVIEW

The British, French, and Americans are still holding firmly to the onslaughts of the Teutons delivered with heavy rain that have been drawn from the Italian front since the ceaselessilities there under arms latest attack of the German the Cambrai region, between court and Quant, was failure, when the Teutons men, killed and made put in the balance with gain of ground against. Another attack by the German Prince in Caurieres Wood dun sector, which was large effective, has met with temporary repulse, while the lands of Northern Italy armies are still being held by the Italians. The expensive operation was on Wednesday between Quant. The Berlin war that only a few British ninety prisoners were Field Marshal Haig reported casualties were inflicted my along the front of the large numbers of his dead before the entanglements impossible task of piercing fish lines became apparent retreat was ordered.

Finding that the efforts to break through the front and debouch upon Venetia are futile, German under General Von Buelow, enforced their allies and have delivered another assault between the Brenta and Rivers. At only one point were the combined Teutons able to dent the line of the d on Monte Spioncino, where a current temporary foothold, inflicting severe casualties. The Italians are striving valiantly take the lost position. Snow is hampering operations.

The situation in Russia is ed for reason to the various reports of the results of the One report says Kaledin is in Moscow and that the progress in the vicinity of where men and guns from the Sea are raiding the Bolsheviks another despatch asserts Korniloff has routed the near Bielgered, while still report says that Korniloff wounded and in danger of and that attempts by Kaledin to cut off food supplies of the Bolsheviks in Moscow and from Siberia have failed.

The German sub-marine, built, but has not yet been according to the First Lord of the Admiralty. In a speech the First Lord says: The trend of the mercantile industry, the construction of merchant ships, and the number of enemy ships that are being destroyed, are satisfactory. Another high authority says the Germans are attempting a submarine campaign the greatest possible magnitude they have signally failed and are at the hands of the Entente allies on a few days.

Aerial bombs dropped by on a town behind the British have resulted in the death of a number of American railway men.

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