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French Truffles.  
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Peeled Asparagus and Tips.  
Plum Pudding. Apple Pudding. Tart Fruits in Glass.  
Mince Meat. Custard Powders.  
Bartlett Pears. Pineapples.  
Cherries in Creme de Menthe.  
Grape Fruit. Maraschino Cherries.  
Fruit Salad in Glass. Pineapple in Maraschino.  
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**A MERRY XMAS TO ALL**

## War News.

Messages Received  
Previous to 9 a.m.

FRENCH OFFICIAL COMMUNICATION.

PARIS, Dec. 18.  
The French War Office this evening gave out an official communication as follows: The day of December 17 was marked, as we said yesterday, by an advance on our part in Belgium, where every counter attack undertaken by the enemy failed. In the region of Arras vigorous offensive made us master of several trenches. These are located at Auchy, Le Basse, St. Laurent and Blanchy. At this last-mentioned place we occupied on a front more than one kilometre all the trenches of the enemy's first line. In Tracy Le Val, on the Aisne, and in Champagne our heavy artillery won distinct advantages. In the Argonne the Germans blew up one of our trenches to the north of Tourde Parais, and endeavored to move out from their position with three battalions of troops. This infantry attack, as well as the one they undertook at Hubert, was repulsed. To the east of the Meuse and in the Vosges there is nothing to report.

FRANCE'S RESOURCES.

PARIS, Dec. 18.  
"The length of war orders does not depend on the state of French finances. Let France have confidence in herself and then aid in achieving final victory which the world foresees." This was the statement of Minister of Finance Ribot to-day in explaining the financial situation before the Budget Committee of the Chamber of Deputies. "France will not lack resources to continue the war which was thrust upon her," the Minister declared. "We have determined to wage war to the bitter end. I can view without disquietude, the prolongation of hostilities to any length."

TURKISH BARRACKS DESTROYED.

PARIS, Dec. 18.  
The Havas Agency has given out a despatch from its correspondent at Athens, and also quotes a message from the Island of Tenedos, to the effect that the recent bombardment in the Gulf of Saros, immediately north of the Dardanelles, by the British fleet, completely destroyed the Turkish barracks on shore, and seriously damaged the fortifications. The Turks, panic-stricken, fled to the interior.

EGYPT'S NEW RULER.

LONDON, Dec. 18.  
It is officially announced that Prince Hussein Kemal has been appointed to succeed as Khedive of Egypt, Abbas Hilmi. Prince Hussein Kemal will take the title of Sultan. He is an uncle of Abbas Hilmi.

A BRITISH PROTECTORATE.

CAIRO, Dec. 18.  
A British Protectorate was formally proclaimed throughout Egypt to-day. In all garrison towns a salute of one hundred and one guns was fired and the Union Jack hoisted.

EMDEN'S OFFICERS CAPTURED.

PARIS, Dec. 18.  
The Ministry of Marine announced to-day that the British auxiliary cruiser Empress of Japan had captured the collier Oxford having on board three officers and four men from the German cruiser Emden, sunk on November 10th by the Australian cruiser Sydney. There are forty men who escaped to Cocos Island and subsequently sailed away in a commercial schooner.

LATEST FROM FRANCE.

PARIS, Dec. 19.—(Official).  
We have gained ground along the downs northeast Neuport. We have repulsed two strong counter attacks by the enemy at the north of the road between Ypres and Menin. British troops have advanced slightly in the region of Armentieres. Our artillery has destroyed two heavy batteries in the region of Verdun. There is nothing of importance to report from other parts of the front.

YORKSHIRE RAID CASUALTIES.

LONDON, Dec. 18.  
Casualties in the German raid are approximately as follows: Hartlepool, 82 killed, 256 wounded; Scarborough, 17 killed, 3 wounded; Whitby, 3 killed, 2 wounded. Total casualties, 357.

GERMAN COMMUNICATION.

BERLIN, Dec. 18.  
The German War Office this afternoon gave out the following communication: Fighting at Neuport continues favorable. No decision is yet reached. French attacks between La Bassée and Arras on both sides of the river Somme have resulted in failure with severe losses to the enemy. On the Somme the French lost 1,200 men prisoners, 1,800 dead and

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wounded. Our losses were under 200. In Argonne forest our successful attacks resulted in the capture of some 750 prisoners in addition to war material. There have been no important developments elsewhere on the western front. On frontiers east and west of Prussia the situation unchanged. In Poland we continue to pursue the retreating enemy.

AUSTRIANS REINFORCED.

PETROGRAD, Dec. 18.—(Official).  
On the left bank of the Vistula an almost complete lull on nearly all the front has been repulsed by attacks made by the enemy in the course of the last few days. All these attacks have been repulsed. In connection with the advance of part of our troops towards the Bzura river (Russian Poland), and in view of the fact that the Austrians are continually receiving reinforcements in the Carpathians, we have thought fit to rearrange the positions of some of our armies. We checked the offensive yesterday, in Western Galicia. On the front between Sanok and Lisko we succeeded in our offensive. In this region we have captured three thousand prisoners and several guns and quick firers.

NOTED JOURNALIST DEAD.

LONDON, Dec. 18.  
Archibald Ross Colquhoun, journalist and explorer, died to-day.

ONE STILL LEFT.

Dr. Hans Wehberg, a well-known German pacifist and expert in international law, has resigned his membership of the committee of editors of the Magazine of International Law because the question of the violation of Belgian neutrality had not been considered impartially in it. In a letter to Geheimrath Kohler, Dr. Wehberg writes: "What of the loyalty to treaties in later times if Germany's attitude in this case is justified?"



TO  
**Christmas**

SHOP EARLY.

## Christmas Service.

George Street Sunday School purposes holding its Annual Christmas Service on Sunday next in the body of the Church; service to commence at quarter to 3. This service will be a reminder to us of God's greatest gift to this world in the person of His Beloved Son. We cannot express our gratitude in a better way than by bringing our gifts unitedly and laying them on His Altar. It is the earnest desire of workers and teachers that this service should touch the heart and life of every attendant of George St. Church. We therefore cordially invite all, from father and mother to the tiniest tot in the Primary Department to bring their gifts. A Special Service of Song has been prepared and leaflets for this service will be placed in all the pews for the use of the school and congregation. The British Empire, Our Empire, is calling for our best young men to volunteer for service to defend the helpless and innocent from the hand of a tyrant and bring Peace to the Earth. May we show our allegiance to the King of Kings in this call to service by presenting our gifts and lives so that we may hasten the coming of that kingdom which will unite all nations of the earth in one common brotherhood, and Jesus Christ, the elder brother shall see of the travail of His Soul and be satisfied.

Yours truly,  
C. R. STEER.

## Baden-Powell on German Invasion.

London, Dec. 13.—General Baden-Powell shares the opinion of many other English experts who believe that Germany fully expects to invade England, if possible, and will direct its activities toward the commercial cities in the North of England, rather than toward London and the resort cities of the south. In the opinion of General Baden-Powell the German Emperor will endeavor to land at least 90,000 troops in England.

"I know that the general idea," said General Baden-Powell, in a recent interview, "is that the attempt to invade England will be made on the coast of Norfolk or Suffolk. Personally I think that the Germans will first desire to invade the industrial centres of the north. They appreciate what effect that would have, if they succeeded. Once let them get hold of some of the big manufacturing towns, factories would be smashed up and ruined, and I figure that they could throw 14,000 persons out of employment, rendering them destitute and starving. It is certain that even by a short, sharp raid, they should do a tremendous amount of damage."

NOT OVER OPTIMISTIC.

General Baden-Powell is far less optimistic about the war than many of England's public men. The hero of Mafeking, in discussing the present crisis, said: "There are still many persons in country districts, and even in some of our large towns, who do not realize what this great war means—that Britain's fight is for her very existence. We receive encouraging reports that we are doing well, but we must remember that one side or the other must go under, and go under forever. At present, it looks as if the wind is blowing in our favor, but there is always the unexpected to consider. You can never tell. The right thing to do is to try to smash the Germans now, which means that every man must put his shoulder to the wheel."

The Germans, it is pointed out by the General, have nine places from which they could embark with troops in an effort to make a landing in England. He estimates that a greater force than 10,000 would probably not be sent from each of these points, making a total of less than 100,000.

COAST TOWNS ARE PREPARED.

Lowestoft and other towns along the east coast of England, which are regarded as likely landing places for an invading army, have made preparations to receive the Germans. The Mayor of Lowestoft has issued a statement to the citizens of that town advising them how to act in case the Germans land. A special force of one hundred and fifty constables have been named, and civilians have been advised to follow the directions of these officers explicitly, should the Germans enter the town.

Walter Long, a member of Parliament, has advised that all foodstuffs stored in large quantities in east coast towns, should be moved inland, where they can be guarded against seizure.

General Baden-Powell says that the 15,000 older Boy Scouts of England are doing everything in their power to assist in the present struggle. These scouts are sixteen years of age, or more, and would be available as a second guard, in case the military authorities lower the age standard. All these boys are fairly well drilled, and would be effective in almost any sort of military duty.

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