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The town of Falconhurst was a place of aristocratic pretensions, and the leading people of the municipality prided themselves on being up to date. Consequently when the whole country was interested in the sending of Christmas boxes to soldiers on foreign service the members of the exclusive set of Falconhurst resolved to do their share. At an informal meeting held one evening at the residence of Brewster De Kallb, the bank president, it was resolved to appoint a committee consisting of six fashionable ladies and a half dozen of the wealthiest men in the community to prepare a suitable Christmas box to be sent to "the heroes who had left their homes in Falconhurst to do battle for their country's

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flag in the faroff Philippines." The select committee entered into the

work with enthusiasm. On the first day there was collected a vast assortment of things that it was thought the soldiers would like. As the stuff was being packed in the big box that was to be shipped to Manila one of the ladies chanced to ask the names of the boys who had enlisted from Falconhurst. No one present was able to answer the question, and, fearful that their town had no heroes whom they could honor, the bank president's wife went at once to make further inquiries of her husband. Although this worthy man was supposed to know all about everybody who was anybody in Falconhurst, he could not immediately call to mind the name of a single volunteer, and rather shamefacedly he so stated to his wife. But just then his office boy, who had overheard the question and answer, spoke up and said that "Ike Jackson, who used to work in Jones' livery stable," had joined the army and gone to Manila. The banker made an investigation and found that with the exception of Ike Jackson no one had enlisted from Falcon-

When it became known that Jackson was the only volunteer of whom Fal-



THIRTY-EIGHT LETTERS AND A CHRISTMAS

conhurst could boast there was some disappointment in certain quarters, but it was felt that the honor of the town had been saved by a small majority. And by one of those sudden turns which public opinion often takes the absent Jackson was made much of. People who hardly desired to notice him when he lived in their midst called upon the committee with parcels and kindly messages that they wished to send to their "old friend, Mr. Jackson."

Possibly no box that was sent to the Philippines ever contained a greater variety of presents. Everything, from champagne to ginger snaps, was most carefully packed into the Christmas box. There were reading matter galore, knickknacks of every description and other good things too numerous to men-

When the box was finally filled and nailed up it took four men to load it into the wagon which was to haul it to the depot.

Having packed the box and started the package on its way across the continent, those concerned in their work felt it obligatory upon themselves to write Jackson that he might know to whom to give the proper credit.

In camp one night the boys of Company K were discussing the approach of Christmas and speculating upon what they might get from home. Poor Jackson took no part in the conversation. He had no relatives living, and to his knowledge there was not any one in America who would bother about sending him even a Christmas card. When asked if he hoped to get a package he shook his head and said that he would be the last man in Masila that the folks in the United States

would remember. On Christmas eve the first sergeant announced that thirty-eight letters and a Christmas box that weighed "about a ton" were waiting to be receipted for by Private Jackson. Company K had a very merry Christmas, but through it all Ike maintained his usual stolid cheerfulness. The amount of stuff that Jackson received, together with the liberality with which he distributed it, caused to be circulated through the regiment a story to the effect that he was a millionaire in disguise.-Manila American.

MYSTERY OF MYSTERIES.

Christmas Task For Homelock Sherles, the Detective. It was the day after Christmas.

Homelock Sherles and I sat in the Butcher street rooms cursing the snowy, sloppy weather. "Bless me! Mulroon's come home sober!" he suddenly remarked as the

bark of a dog came in from the hall. "How on earth can you tell?" I marveled, for no sound of man's voice had been heard. "Because his dog doesn't know him," answered my friend, with a gleam in his eye. "For a veterinary surgeon

Another period of silence, and then Sherles reached up his long white hand and took down the bottle of gin. "No more of this!" he mused aloud. "Now begins a period of hard work for me."

"Hard work?" I asked wonderingly. "Why, I haven't heard of any recent murders, robberies or disappearances." "None of these this time, old man. All mysteries. Every young man in town will soon be here to have me find out what the Christmas present his girl gave him is intended for, don't you know."-New York Journal

Evolution of Christmas, It is said that Christmas was at one time quite a movable feast and kept when the weather and circumstances permitted and that one of the early popes fixed on Dec. 25. Gradually the custom of singing canticles and carols was introduced by the church in remembrance of those songs of the heavenly host that amazed the shepherds on the Galilean hills and sent them off in hot haste to find the wondrous babe. The holly and mistletoe decorations, of course, descended from the Druids, and a pretty fancy reigned which suggested that the sylvan spirits would be induced to follow the evergreen branches into house and church and remain there, sheltered from the utmost rigor of winter frosts and snows. Then the Yule log was lit on Christmas eve and the fire never allowed to go out before Candlemas, a device for securing warmth during the coldest weeks, while people sat around the hearth and amused themselves with hot cookies and snapdragon, conjuring and forfeits and quaffed spiced ale and punch, much as their descendants crack jokes "over the walnuts and the wine" of these days between Christmas and the new year, when business is at a standstill and the children clamor for parties and pantomimes.

Observances In England.

The lighting of Christmas candles and the burning of the "Christmas block" were the sure heralds of the season in old England, and the customs still survive in certain parts of the country. In some counties a piece of the Yule log is kept from one year to the next, in order to light the next year's log. In ancient times this fragment was supposed to be a protection against fire and thunder. Its ashes were given to animals for certain sickness and were scattered over the land to keep the corn from blight.

In Devonshire what is known as the "Ashton fagot" is burned on Christmas eve, and a company watches the falling apart of the hoops with which the fagot is bound as they burst with the heat. In some parts of England, after the church service, the people express their joy by crying out in chorus: "Yule! Yule!"

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is hot above us-As at home the Christmas day is break-They will drink our healths at dinner, those who tell us how they love us, And forget us till another year be gone!

The Yuletide Log.

A custom at one time prevalent in England and still observed in some of the northern districts of the old counis often called the Yule log, and it was on Christmas eve that it was put on the wide hearth. Around it would gather the entire family, and its entrance was the occasion of a great deal of ceremony. There were music and rejoicing, while the one authorized to light it was obliged to have clean hands. It was always lighted with a brand left over from the log of a pre- William-st. North vious year.

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