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War Office,  
7th January, 1921.

The following Despatch has been received by the Secretary of State for War from General Sir G. F. Milne, G.C.M.G., K.C.B., D.S.O., Commanding in Chief, the Army of the Black Sea:—

General Headquarters,  
Army of the Black Sea.  
Constantinople.  
11th August, 1920.

SIR,

I have the honour to forward for your information the following account of the action taken by me and by the troops under my command from the date of the signature of the Armistice with Turkey to the date of the signature of the Turkish Peace Treaty (10th August, 1920).

## I.—EVENTS IN TURKEY.

### (1) Introduction.

On the conclusion of the Armistice with Turkey Lieut.-General Sir H. F. M. Wilson, K.C.B., K.C.M.G., was appointed to command the Allied forces in Turkey-in-Europe, the 28th

British Division and the 122nd French Division being placed tactically under his orders for the purpose of holding the passages of the Dardanelles and Bosphorus and of occupying the railway termini at Constantinople. He was instructed to supervise the execution of the military conditions of the Armistice.

At that date the 122nd French Division and the 22nd and 26th British Divisions were still on the line of the Maritza River, where they had occupied bridgeheads for an advance against Constantinople. The 27th and 28th Divisions were in Macedonia.

After consultation with the Naval Commander-in-Chief preliminary arrangements were made for the relief by British troops of the Turkish garrisons in the forts on the Dardanelles.

On 9th November, 1918, the Royal Navy having reported the channel at the entrance of the Dardanelles clear, troops of the 28th Division, under Major-General H. L. Croker, C.B., C.M.G., occupied the forts on both shores of the Straits. All forts were in our hands by the evening of 10th November, 1918.

On 12th November the Allied fleet, under the