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blan during a storm and subsequently released her, noting the American flag and the vessel's name "Columbian, New York." Later it was found that the Colum-bian had sent broadcast warnings that of the French, but were immediately driven out, the War Office announced today. On the Verdun front the newly won postas of the French at Chambrettes farm and Louvemont were heavily shelled by the Germans last night. General Joffre has formally turned over

the command of the French armies of the north and northeast to General Nivelle, it was announced today. The transfer took ce yesterday. General Joffre made : short speech congratulating General Nivello upon his promotion. General Nivelle replied, warmly praising the military ability of General Joffre.

NEW YORK, Dec. 19 .- Prof. Robert I. Garner, of New York, who for a quarter of a century has chased the gorills and the chimpanzee to their lairs in the Congo, has sailed for West Africa, where he ex-

HM there was a submarine in the vicinity. The Columbian was then stopped again and searched and steel, which is contraband of war, was found aboard her. Master Jailors Since 1848 Philadelphian to Hunt Gorillas LONG experience counts heavily in

