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The following message from His Majesty The King is published for general information:—

"To My people.

"The world-wide struggle for the triumph of right and liberty is entering upon its last and most difficult phase. The enemy is striving by desperate assault and subtle intrigue to perpetuate the wrong already committed and stem the tide of a free civilization. We have yet to complete the great task to which more than three years ago we dedicated ourselves. At such a time I would call upon you to devote a special day to prayer that we may have the clearsightedness and strength necessary to the victory of our cause. This victory will be gained only if we steadfastly remember the responsibility which rests upon us and in a spirit of reverent obedience ask the blessing of Almighty God upon our endeavours. With hearts grateful for the divine guidance which has led us so far towards our goal let us seek to be enlightened in our understanding and fortified in our courage in facing the sacrifices we may yet have to make before our work is done. I therefore hereby appoint January 6th the first Sunday of the year to be set aside as a special day of prayer and thanksgiving in all the Churches throughout My Dominions and require that this Proclamation be read at the services held on that day."

GEORGE R. I.

7th November, 1917.

GOD SAVE THE KING.