

Before leaving Downing Street for a few days over Christmas and the New Year, the Prime Minister took time off from State duties to receive a gift...a turkey - given to him by the British Turkey RFederation.

Come to think of it, they were probably glad to get rid of one.

Every year people get pretty fed up with turkey. But 1958's controversy ended with prices coming down. This year there has been a glut. Turkeys galore. Any amount of them in the markets And though the prices started off as high as ever - buying at the last moment paid off - in a big way.

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At the Smithfield Turkey auctions - even a postman found time in the rush to get in for that dinner. Three quid's worth and it weighed sixteen pounds.

With so many to choose from - nothing but the best satisfied the customers. Now it's over: but next year there'll be more turkey tentrums...let's hope they end the same way....with low prices.