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which lies about ten miles northeast sector of this front of positions near weather. Flitch and Tolmino. The Germans artillery fire in which specially constructed gas shells were thrown at of Soissons, has reached eight thous- carried out with clockwork regularity, various places. The Italian war office and, the war office announces. says bad weather intervened during The Germans attempted a counter methods. the attack and the fighting died down attack on the Aisne battle front durto some extent. The Germans ob- ing the night. In the Verdun sector tained large numbers of reinforce- the Germans made a violent attack on ments for the Austrians. They have French positions north of Hill 344 been sent post haste from the north- but were beaten back by the French.

we have occupied in its entirety to Chavignon. It is confirmed the tanks played an important role in yester-In the third day's attack. The number of prison-I first northeast of Prunay, the second thence southeast to Bainsizza Plateau British troops brought back six Bulgarian prisoners, one of them an

The number of prisoners taken by

sector of La Royeles, Bovettes and in this year. The key to the whole carried out by Gloucester troops last chine guns. In Champagne in the feriority; third, he has been obliged the previous week 12 British merchant In the Austro-Italian theatre large region of Monts, we successfully carried out two surprise attacks, the tween St. Quentin and the Aillette; der, and one fishing vessel was sunk. urth, he has been beaten in Flanbattle is imminent over a 23-mile at Monthaut, and brought back about through Flitch and Tolmino and thence southeast to Rainsigna Plateau through Flitch and Tolmino and thence southeast to Rainsigna Plateau through Flitch and Tolmino and thence southeast to Rainsigna Plateau through Flitch and Tolmino and the Struma Valley, wards if he wishes to escape disaswards if he wishes to escape disaster. M. Hutin, in this connection of Gorizia. The Berlin war office reports the capture of the northern whole front, because of unfavourable ed seeing in Laon trees sawed through and villages demolished. The writer concludes that he is convinced began their offensive after intnese the French in their attack northeast the victory just gained is but the prelude to decisive actions which will be

> ENEMY ATTACKS REPULSED. LONDON, Oct. 24.

characteristic of General Petain's

Fort Douaumont by General Petain, armies. It was completely repulsed apparently fell with all the force of Since our attacks on the morning surprise, for it was understood in the Oct. 22, the enemy delivered several spring offensive the French leader counter attacks against our new line without achieving material results would not find it advisable to resume offensive operations before the end of at any point. A successful raid was ridge extending to Craonne was cap- night; southeast of Gavrelle. A numtured, and the French from their new positions are now able to enfilade the eral of his dugouts were blown up German positions not only along the and a few prisoners and machine Chemin des Dames line, but at Anzy guns were brought back. le Chateau, and to direct their fire directly along the valley to Laon. According to Marcel Hutin, of the Echo LONDON, Oct. 24. de Paris, yesterday's victory brings out five main points: First, that the merchantmen through mines and subenemy nowhere on the West front has been able to take the initiative since February, 1916; second, the

NEWS FROM AUSTRALIA. LONDON, Oct. 24.

Premier Hughes, of Australia is unwell, and has been ordered to take Record floods continue and many

towns have been completely inunda-

The Victorian State election will be

outlook is said to be serious. SINN FEINER ARRESTED.

Though secret service agents to-lay continued their investigation of the ramifications of the alleged Sinn The official communication issued Fein plot in connection with General

inquiry had brought forth. That end of the week. ustody, was being completed to determine more fully Recklinhausen's connection with Irish revolutionar ernment. It is believed the papers furnished the secret service men with many new trails to follow.

#### THE FRENCH CRISIS.

PARIS, Oct. 24. sent Cabinet will remain in power for any great length of time, and on the part of many it is not wished.

The Socialists and Radicals have decided to continue to support the Ministry, but unified Socialists who also welcomed unreservedly only by the ing of this, and will seek to find what lies behind it. If no explanation is found, one which is more serious will

SHIPS BLOWN UP.

COPENHAGEN, Oct. 24. The Danish Foreign Office reports that the Danish steamers Anglodane, ted. Hundreds are homeless and the 808 tons, and Flynderborg, 1,400 tons, bound from England for Denmark, have been blown up by mines in the North Sea. One man on board the Anglodane was killed.

GERMAN IMPERIAL CHANCELLOR.

LONDON, Oct. 24. Michaelis, German Imperial Chanellor, has placed his portfolio in the hands of Emperor William, according have enlisted for the Forestry Comto an Amsterdam despatch given out by the wireless press.

KERENSKY TO RELINQUISH HIS

PETROGRAD, Oct. 24. The newspapers state that Keren- easily the new medical test.

is under arrest, no announce of commander-in-chief of the Russian was forthcoming as to what armies to General Boukhonin at the

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Chas. Johnson, St. John's. Owing to weather conditions there as been practically no shooting at the South Side Range for the past few days, but no time is being lost as the miniature range at the Highlanders Armoury is kept busy.

Since the recruiting stations have been reopened 20 recruits for the Regiment were signed up at the East End station and 18 at th West End station, while at the latter place eight

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