

OFFRE PROVED TACTICIAN

French Throws More Light on Battle of Marne.

CO-OPERATION

Always Cordial and Athletic in Dealings With Allies.

FISH OFFICIAL)

Special to The Toronto World.

Oct. 18, 7.17 p.m.—Two

by Field Marshal Sir

covering the operations

army from Aug. 28 to

issued tonight. The first

Sept. 17, calls special

the fact that "from Sunday

to the present date, from

almost to the Seine and

to the Aisne, the German

command has been

without one single

rest of any kind."

long Field Marshal French

of very determined resist-

part of the enemy, with

strength and with great

position, a battle which

the evening of the 18th

number) has so far forced

from his first position, be-

of 40,000 men and inflicted

upon him, including the cap-

of 20,000 prisoners and sev-

of pursuit vigorous.

which gives details of the

of Oct. 18 and 20. General

Chetwode, with the third

valry brigades, covered the

pulsing the Germans with

of the enemy's

of the report, "was very vigor-

of six German corps were

of facing the fifth army; of

of least two corps were ad-

of the front and were

of four or more German

of opposing the sixth French

REIGN OF BLOOD IN ASIA MINOR

Turks Said to Be Guilty of Terrible Barbarities Upon Greeks.

GREECE WANTS WAR

And Turkey is Apparently Striving to Bring It On.

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NEW YORK, Oct. 17.—Arriv-

ing on the Greek steamer Themis-

from Piraeus, Greece, were a

number of Greek girls who had

been in Asia Minor when the Turks

began to attack foreigners. According

to some of these girls, Asia Minor is

now beset with outrages by the Turks,

many of which are aggravated by the

fact that the Turks bear toward the

Greeks. According to Miss Elcenora

Ekonomides, Greece wants war with

Turkey, and Turkey is doing all in

her power to bring it on.

"The conditions in Asia Minor are

shocking beyond telling," said Miss

Ekonomides, who, with her cousin and

sister-in-law, arrived on the Themis-

tos.

Terrible Outrages.

"I was living in the Smyrna district

along the Mediterranean coast with

my cousin and sister-in-law. Ever

since the European war broke out, the

Turkish wild men, called Bashibazouks,

have been active, committing all sorts

of horrible outrages, especially among

the Greeks of whom there are many

in the province. They attacked women

daily and headed men regularly.

"At last we complained to the Turk-

ish authorities, but they told us not to

leave our little country place, and to

be sure our not leaving, confiscated our

wagon and horse. They said that the

Bashibazouks would not bother us. A

week later the Bashibazouks entered a

neighboring village and murdered

many.

Heads Nailed to Trees.

"That night we fled to the moun-

tains in such haste that we could not

dig up what little money we had bur-

ied in our back yard. We had nothing

but the clothes on our backs.

"In the mountains we hid during the

day and did our traveling at night.

Every few miles we came across heads

that had been cut off by the Bashiba-

zouks and nailed to the trees to fright-

en the inhabitants.

"At last another party of Greeks

caught up with us and we made our

way to the coast, where a Greek fish-

ing smack picked us up and took us

to Piraeus."

Miss Ekonomides was met at the pier

by her brother, Christos, who lives in

Texas.

Another girl, Miss Katina Bouts-

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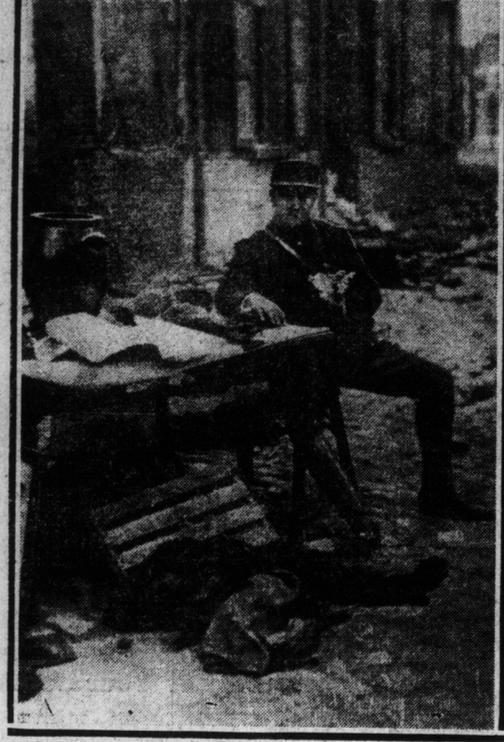
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LEFT BY REFUGEES



Household goods left in the streets of Liesee by Belgians when they fled from the place.

AUSTRIANS UNABLE TO CROSS THE SAN

Russians Report All Attempts Repulsed—Bayonet Fighting Near Przemyel.

(RUSSIAN OFFICIAL)

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THE TORONTO WORLD.

PETROGRAD, Oct. 18.—The follow-

ing statement has been issued by the

Russian general staff:

"On the front in East Prussia and

on the Vistula there is nothing new

to report. Austrian attempts to cross

the River San have failed. South of

Przemyel the fighting continues. At

several points there were bayonet

attacks in which we captured fifteen

Austrian officers and more than 1000

soldiers.

Austrian reinforcements are report-

ed in the passes of the Carpathians."

FLATLY CONTRADICTORY.

Canadian Press Despatch.

LONDON, Oct. 18.—Again the Russians

and the Austrians flatly contradict one

another as to the progress of events in

the east. The Austrians claim that the

operations are progressing favorably for

them, while an official report from Petro-

grad, received tonight, says that attempts

by the Austrians to cross the River San

failed, and that in fighting south of

Przemyel, which took the form of bayonet

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spondents at Petrograd that the Germans

made repeated attempts to cross the

Vistula at Jozefow, but were driven back

with heavy casualties. These correspon-

dents say this fighting was part of the

general attack on the Russian positions

on the Vistula and that they proved a

failure.

Attack on Cattaro.

The British and French fleets and the

Montenegrin army are cruising on an at-

tack on Cattaro, the fortified seaport of

Austria in Dalmatia, the first sortie of

which the Montenegrins claim to have

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ing everything before them. It is not

believed here, however, that very serious

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CIVILIANS SCARCE AT RIFLE RANGES

Lack of Ammunition Checks Rifle Practice—Military Corps Held Match.

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SIR DOUGLAS HAIG HERO OF THE AISNE

Capture of Commanding Position Chief Factor in British Success.

SHELL FIRE DEADLY

British Suffered Heavily Before Trench-Digging Was Begun.

(BRITISH OFFICIAL)

Canadian Press Despatch.

LONDON, Oct. 18, 8.30 p.m.—Field

Marshal French's second report, dated

Oct. 8, and issued today, concerns the

operations of the British forces since

the evening of Sept. 10.

After reviewing briefly the pursuit of

the Germans, to the Aisne, the report

continues:

"During the night of the 18th and on

the 14th and following days, field com-

panies incessantly worked night and

day, throwing eight pontoons and one

foot bridge across the river under a

generally heavy artillery fire. The

operations of the field companies dur-

ing this trying time were worthy the

best traditions of the Royal Engineers.

Ordered General Advance.

"We were ordered to the difficulties.

On the evening of the 14th it was still im-

possible to decide whether the enemy was

only making a temporary halt or intend-

ed to stand and defend his position. With

a view to clearing the situation I ordered

a general advance. The action of the first

corps on this date under the direction and

command of Sir Douglas Haig was of a

skilful, bold and decisive character that

he gained positions which alone would

enable me to maintain my position for

more than three weeks of very severe

fighting on the north bank of the river.

Haig's Great Service.

"Through our battles the Aisne this

advanced and commanding position was

maintained and I cannot speak too high-

ly of the noble services rendered by Sir

Douglas Haig and the army corps under

his command. Day after day, night after

night, the enemy's infantry has been

hurled against our position in violent

attacks, which have never on any occa-

sion succeeded, while the trenches all

the time have been under contin-

uous and heavy artillery fire.

"On the morning of the 15th, after a

close examination, I became convinced

that the enemy was making a determi-

ed stand. A quantity of siege artillery

had been brought from Maubeuge to

strengthen the enemy's front.

"During the day shells, judged by ex-

pects to be from 8-inch guns, fell on our

position. The