

The British War Office admits the the Norwegian freight steamer Joseph British have been unable to entirely J. Cuneo to-day off Nantucket Island.

Rome. May 26.-It is officially an- reform their line, dented by the Ger- A wireless message has been received prisoners.-HARCOURT. nounced that Italians have occupied a mans east of Ypres. This dove-tails here that the Ryndam has transferred number of comparatively important with German claims of advances in her passengers and part of her crew towns and have compelled the Aus- this region of Flanders. to the Cuneo, but that both vessels A most interesting statement in the were badly damaged. trians to retreat.

This briefly summarizes the first British announcement is that with The Ryndam, 7,976 tons, sailed from 36 hours of the newest phase of an due precautions, gas attacks can be this port yesterday afternoon with 70 ever-widening European conflict; met and defeated. This is particularly passengers in her first and second which, being new, appeals to popular pertinent in that gas bids fair to be cabins and 115 in the third cabin.

imagination rather than the stated, used more and more, possibly by all seemingly unending struggle in the contenders. other theatres of the war.

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Attesting the extremely sanguinary The rapid stroke of the Italian character of recent land fighting in army would seem to bespeak long pre- the Dardanelles, where ritish and paration, bearing out what the Press French are seeking to dislodge the



of the Allied countries contended strongly entrenched Turks, came to- London, May 26 .- As might have months ago, that Italy would throw night a list of 919 casualties among been expected the new Cabinet, while her lot in with the Allies and was the Australians engaged in the enter- it meets with no strong disapproval only waiting for an opportune time. prise. The Turkish losses have ap- at the hands of the editorial writers ed four attacks, each one of which was Official Press Bureau to the high Rome's first bulletin dealing with parently been greater, as it was neces- in the London morning papers, raises movements of the army indicate that sawy for them on Sunday last to but little enthusiasm in any quarter. In these various aggressive en- ceptance by Winston Spencer Churchtwo movements are under way, one to secure an armistice to bury their The most that is accorded is a disthe northward toward the Carnic dead, 3,000 of whom lay piled before position to give the new Government complete failure, the enemy suffered the merely nominal duties of the every opportunity to prove its worth. heavy losses. Alps, the other through the region of the British treaches.

Friuli, apparently aimed at Trieste A radical shake up of the British More disappointment is noticeable and the Istrian peninsula of Carvig- Cabinet is announced to-night. The among the Liberal than Conservative remainder of the front. nana. One of the Austrian towns oc- most interesting change is the trans- papers, mainly at the shelving of Viscupied by the Italians is only about fer of Winston Spencer Churchill, count Haldane and the appointment of

ten miles inland from the Gulf of First Lord of the Admiralty, to the Sir Edward Carson as Attorney-Gen- says:-Trieste. Both thrusts should develop Chancellorshipof the Duchy of Lan- eral. Some dissatisfaction is also ex- "To the north of Arras our at- these, made his retirement inevitable."

severe fighting. Just as Italy lightly characterized leader of the Opposition, taking an of being smaller, is larger than the ant progress. To the north-west of ment some time ago from the Admir-Monday's Austrian raids along her Admiralty portfolio David Lloyd old one, and also at the loss of David Argen (south of La Bassee) in front alty was for the same reason. Viscoast so Austria characterizes milit- George, Chancellor of the Exchequer, Lloyd George, as Chancellor of the of Fosse Calonne, we carried a salient count Haldane received an expression ary operations to date as border skir- who vacates office temporarily has Exchequer. It is understood, however, called Cornailles. In the same region of the Government's confidence by the mishes, while to-day's Rome official been appointed Minister of Munitions. that Lloyd's George's appointment as our troops took by assault another bestowal of the Order of Merit upon

Austrians Retire Aeroplane Descends Into the North Sea The Crew Rescued

Harwich say that a British destroyer Austrian territory all along the frontfrom a Taube aeroplane, which was by the War Office. found floating in the North Sea. plane was sunk.

Italian Reserves

The aeroplane had been forced by towns in Trentino and forced their engine trouble to descend. After the way through mountain defiles on Germans Use Germans had been rescued, the aero- Lower Isonzo. Attacks were contin-

Called Home Italians Capture Austrian Towns

London, May 25 .- Instructions have been received at the Italian Embassy from Rome that all Italian reservists in the United Kingdom should be noti- front the Austrian artillery opened fied to return home at once.

Before Italians munitions becomes less acute. Rome, May 26 .- Offensive operaof the Admiralty, the ground being has been resisting for 15 days. London, May 25 .- Telegrams from tions resulting in the occupations of

arrived there, bringing a German sub- ier of Lombardy to the Adriatic, are marine Lieutenant and a mechanician claimed in an official statement issued Sir Stanley Buckmaster also is critic- cess to which the artillery of the Italian troops have seized various ized.

ued to gain the line of the river. The Austrians are reported to have retired, destroying bridges and towns.

cularly strong, was prevented unul **Great Quantity** Asphyxiating Gas of Souchez, near Chateau Carlel. London, May 26.- A report received Heavy Losses

ary and that he will come back to the ly, fortified.

Chancellorship when the question of

rem field Marshal Sir John French, under date May 25th, says: "Some portions of our line east of

Ypres, which were lost yesterday durians in last Thursday's engagement ing the enemy gas attack, have not yet were every considerable. The latest Rome, May 25 .- On the Carriole been recovered. The amount of gas figures show total casualties of 300, used was greater than on any pre-

fire against our position. Our artil- vious occasion, over afront of five of which 66 were killed, 132 wounded, miles. Gas was emitted from cylin- and 102 missing. lery replied. On the Frieul front

destroyer entered Porto Buso, doing Order of Merit. considerable damage and capturing 47

> composition of the new Cabinet until French

lowing report:---

The British public will not know the

they read it in the newspapers tomorrow. The announcement was given the Press to-night on the stipu-Paris, May 25 .- The French War lation it should not e made public Office this afternoon gave out the foluntil the morning papers are issued. Cabinet is composed of twelve Liber-"It was a night of considerable ac als, eight Conservatives, one Laborite tivity between the sea and Arras. In -Arthur Henderson-one non-partielgium, following a violent bombardment, a German attacking column en- san, Earl Kitchener. Thirteen memdeavoured to gain footing on the bers of the old Cabinet remain in highway between Langemarck and Office. Of these Asquith, Grey, Kitchener, Runciman, Birrell and Wood

Ypres. It was definitely checked. The Germans delivered two at- retain their old portfolios. Promotion of Sir Stanley Buckmaster, whose tacks yesterday to the north of Abgreatest activities during the war had lain, in each case they were repulsed. To the north of Neuville they deliver- to do with the management of the checked by the fire of our artillery. deavours, all of which resulted in ill, formerly head of the Admiralty to Duchy of Lancaster are two distinct

Nothing has been reported from the surprises. A most prominent figure retires from public life in Viscount Haldane.

enemy posted at Angren as a defen-

sive organization, which was parti-

His affiliation with Germany and con-Paris, May 25 .- An official to-night tinued newspaper attacks based on

caster, Arthur J. Balfour, former pressed that the new Cabinet instead tacks to-day have resulted in import- Prince Henry of Battenburg's retire-

Minister of Munitions is only tempor- German work which was very strong- him.

ecretary for Scotland (Lib.) Thomas The retention of Kitchener as head McKinnon Wood. More south-east of the road from of the Army, while David Lloyd President of the Board of Agriculture (Un.) Lord Selborne.

Other appointments much criticized tured, on a front of one kilometre, the folio of Ministry of Munitions, re- First Commissioner of Works (Lib. include that of aBlfour as First Lord whole great trench where the enemy lieves him of the responsibility of Lewis Harcourt. managing the Supply Department, I'resident Board of Education (Labtaken that the giving of this portfolio To the west of the same road we also Balfour's acceptance of an Adour) Arthur Henderson.

to him deprives the nation of the ser- have made very appreciable progress miralty post, were fully expected. The Attorney General (Un.) Sir Edward vice of Lord Fisher. The elevation of to the Ravine Fond de Buval, our ac- Marquis of Lansdowne, whose health Carson.

Our Forces Make Some |German Reply

London, May 25 .- The following despatch was received by the Exchange Telegraph Co. from Amsterdam :--week for itsreply to the Note con- oners and some machine guns.

trenches on a front of two miles Appended is the new Cabinet as have been captured. cabled this morning:-"This morning several bodies of Prime Minister and First Lord of the Germans surrendered voluntarily Treasury (Lib.) Henry Herbert Asto our troops, who continue to quith. fight with great gallantry and de-Without Portfolio (Un.) Lord Lanstermination. One of these bodies, downe. while trying to surrender, was Lord High Chancellor (Lib.) Sir Stancaught by German artillery fire ley Buckmaster. and practically annihilated. ord President of the Council (Lib.) "The exact number of prisoners Marquis of Crewe. taken has not yet been ascertainord Privy Seal (Un.) Lord Curzon ed. Five hundred and fifty have of Keddleston. cleared to the lines of communica-Chancellor of the Exchequer (Lib.) tion Reginald McKenna. "On the remainder of the front Home Secretary (Lib.) Sir John A. there are no incidents to report." Simon Two Notable Victories Foreign Secretary (Lib.) Sir Edward Paris, May 17.-The official Grey. communication issued by the Colonial Secretary (Un.) A Bonar French war office to-night an-Law. nounces the capture by the Brit-War Minister, Lord Kitchener. ish troops of several additional

Minister of Munitions (Lib.) David German trenches to the north of Lloyd George. La Bassee, together with a thou-Secretary for India (Un.) Austen sand prisoners. Chamberlain. In an engagement at Ville-sur-

'irst Lord of the Admiralty (Un.) Tourbe, the French took four hun dred prisoners, and in an attack at President of the Board of Trade (Lib.) the Ailly wood carried several Ger man works and captured 250 pris-President Local Gov. Board (Un) oners

On Yser's East Bank The text follows:

bourg-L'Avoue. All the German

"In Belgium the enemy, threatened by our successful attacks of the preceding days with a complete envelopment, exacuated last night the positions which he had occupied to the west of the Yser canal. We have, on our part, maintained all our gains on the ast bank.

To the north of La Bassee the British trops, who were very strongly counter-attacked during the night of Sunday-Monday, are victoriously continuing the fighting. To-day they carried several German trenches and inflicted on the enemy very heavy losses.

One Contingent Annihilated "One contingent of several hun-

dred Germans, caught between the fire of the British machine guns and that of their own artillery, were almost entirely exter-"The German Government has ask- minated under the cross-fire. Our ed America for further delay of a allies have taken a thousand pris-

cerning the sinking of the Lusitania. "To the north of Arras a thick In all probability the Note will be de- mist has prevailed all day, prevent close to the Turkish trenches. On the livered at Washington on Saturday. ing any important action on either 22nd the enemy made a determined It is stated in Berlin that the Note side. Nevertheless the struggle attack against the left of the Indian will be couched in very friendly terms. continues very actively, on the

Gains in Dardanelles London, May 25 .- Recent operations in the Dardanelles are described in an official statement given out to-night

We have gained some ground west

The statement says that the following information has been received from **Among Canadians** the General Officer commanding the Mediterranean expenditionary force Ottawa, May 25 .- Losses by Canadon May 21st:-

"The first French division made considerable progress, and is now

Likely be Friendly

To American Note

Arthur J. Balfour.

Walter Runciman.

Augustine Birrell.

Walter Hume Long.

Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster

Chief Secretary for Ireland (Lib.)

(Lib.) Winston Churchill.

country will anxiously await.





