

Touching Scenes.

A FAMILY RE-UNITED.

SYDNEY, November 27.

A touching scene was witnessed when the *Demosthenes* arrived to-day, when a husband was re-united to his wife and two daughters after a ten years' separation. The husband, named Saffar, came to Australia in 1912, leaving his family in Goldringen, in the Baltic Provinces, hoping to send for them. The war broke out, and he heard nothing of them, and went to the front with the A.I.F.

Mrs. Saffar, interviewed, said that when the war broke out the Germans invaded the country. They had to fly, and were refugees for months, starving at times, and driven from place to place. Bands of robbers shot and robbed people, and horrible crimes were committed everywhere. Every town they passed through was full of unburied dead. Finally they reached the Crimea, and were there seven years. "We thought father was dead," she said, "and then we heard from him, and here we are."