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### TO-DAY'S

Messages.

10.30 A.M.

PARIS. To-day. Reports received from Bordeaux, vessels were sunk by submarines: the Norwegian steamer Boss, the British S. Co., of New Zealand. The Robin-

SALONIKI, To-day,

ing over several days, in which the Bulgars suffered heavy casualties and any topic they might raise. lost prisoners, guns, machine guns and ammunition. After sanguinary fighting lasting several days in which the Bulgars suffered heavy losses, without interruption, despite bad weather, difficult terrain and desperatc resistance by the enemy, our man artillery, which was emplaced troops by a brilliant attack yesterday only eleven miles from Bucharest, be captured an entire series of powerfully fortified Bulgarian position in the region north of Grunishte and Budimirtsa. The ruins of the ancient fortress above Grunishte are in our hands. The Bulgars are flying north- according to the Parliamentary cor ward leaving a large number of dead respondent of the Star, is a conflict on the field. By this brilliant victory between eastern and western strategy. we captured numerous trophies, in- The westerners, the correspondent cluding 5 field guns, 5 caissons, many say, are concentrating the whole man

prisoners who have not yet been counted. The number of guns captured up to now totals 79.

NO CHANGE IN POLICY, SAYS ASQUITH.

LONDON, To-day. When the members of the House uggested a longer adjournment than Thursday on the ground that it was Toulon and Brest, say the following make it perfectly plain to the House construction of Cabinet takes place, er Robinson: all the crews were sav- from the policy already announced question of a change in policy, I can en." "Ministers," added the Premier, in the form of a Russian force be ties." A motion to adjourn till A Serbian official issued to-day tells Thursday was carried, the Nationalbe to vote a credit which would give members an opportunity to discuss

#### BOMBARDMENT OF BUCHAREST.

COPENHAGEN, To-day. According to the Berlin correspond ent of the National Tidende, the Gergan yesterday to bombard the city.

EAST VERSUS WEST.

LONDON, To-day The real basis of the political crisis, machine guns, a quantity of ammuni- power on the west front and forcing

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France and Flanders. They argue that the lines of communication to the western front are short and secure they devour less ships, while the deviation of forces to the eastern thea tre would place an intolerable strain on our depleted shipping. The east school are in favor of standing on the defensive on the western front and taking the offensive from Salonika whither they propose to send a huge army of between half a million and a iliion men. The westerners regard this as lunacy which is only likely to ead to disaster by playing the Gernans' game, Field Marshal Von Hinenburg's aim being to shift the centre of gravity from France to the Balkans. The Somme offensive is the one thing he dreads. After suggesting that the people choose a new ruler through a general election, the Manchester Guardian, commenting on the Cabinet situation, sounds this note of warning: "There are in fact, two crises, for a crisis in the ministry but a reflection of a crisis in the war Criticism of the war amounts to this that the progress of events and a suc ession of bitter experiences have last brought home to the minds most men the fact that we are no winning the war and the further con viction that with the present methods

ATHENS CALM.

PARIS. To-day. A despatch to the Temps from Ath ns on Monday says the city has be ome calm, but armed bands of reser vists are still moving about th streets. King Constantine and the members of the Royal family are a

#### RUSSIANS TO THE RESCUE.

PETROGRAD, To-day. The timely arrival of Russian troop before Bucharest at a critical momen when the loss of the capital seemed almost certain, has somewhat changed the routine of the German situation not certain that the Premier would here. The Roumanians have at last make a definite announcement on that a fighting chance to retain their capday that the House should be given ital with the aid of the Russians, who an opportunity to discuss the new have rendered their first valuable assituation, Asquith said, "I desire to sistance to the Roumanian defence by an offensive in the Carpathians begun and to the country that, whatever re- five days ago, will now attempt to in steamer Moeraki; the French schoon- it involves no departure in any shape they are able to defend by established. The British steamer Moeraki was and pursued since the beginning of of the capital. According to informaing a permanent line north and west 4,392 tons and owned by the Union S. the war. If any one encourages or tion received here from Bucharest the entertains the idea that there is any German plan of encircling Bucharest was perilously near accomplishmen ANOTHER BRILLIANT VICTORY assure them they are entirely mistak- when it struck an unexpected obstacle will continue to perform their du- tween Bucharest and the Danube. Strong cavalry columns of the Teutonic Allies had been sent forward on of the capture of heavily fortified Bul- ists alone protesting. Before the ad- both wings of a united front, forcing garian positions north of Grunishts journment the Premier said the first the Roumanian flanks backward both and Budimirtsa, east of the Cerna business of the House Thursday would north and south of the capital. The flanking movement was partially suc cessful when the Teutonic forces advancing from Lake Grecu encountered a sudden stiffening resistance from the Roumanians, due to the arrival of Russian troops, and were compelled to etire in disorder. Emplacements had already been completed for the big guns which were to bombard the Bucharest forts. Executing a hasty rereat, the Germans and Bulgars had o abandon guns of all calibres and a arge quantity of war material. The north Teutonic Allied group, which is attempting to flank Bucharest from the side of Pitesti, has proceeded with greater success but the Roumanians have managed to retreat without losing connection with the forces defending the western fortifications of the

#### WAR REVIEW.

The armies of the Teutonic Allies ghting in southwestern Roumania with Bucharest as their main objecive, have joined hands from the Danube in the south to northwest of ucharest, where coming through the ountainous region they have reachmounces that the battle of the clusion with the Teutons victors in western Wallachia partly in Rou- additional guns, machine guns, ammanian hands. With the Teutons munition and prisoners. British sapnearly astride this line at Breza and pers near Ypres and Wytschaete in rapidly advancing this route is likely Belgium by mine explosions had preto be taken from them. South and pared the way for a raid on German Field Marshal Von Mackensen, which entering an advanced trench but later crossed the Danube, have inflicted a were driven out. A British attack of 1916 up to £1,750,000,000. heavy defeat on the Roumanians and against LeSars also failed. Considerantured the town of Gradichea, 12 able artillery activity continues at niles from the Capital. In this fight- various points along the French front, ing, according to Berlin, the Rouman-ian army suffered sanguinary casual-the Verdun sector. Artillery duels and ies on Sunday, with a loss of more small manoeuvres by patrol parties than 8,000 men made prisoners, and featured in the fighting on the Austroannon to the number of 35 were cap- Italian front. The Russians' attack red near Ritu; 13 locomotives and against the German lines near Lake KINARD'S LINIMENT USED ST ch rolling stock fell into the hands Drisvety, south of Dvinsk, failed with

of the Teutons. In Dobrudja and in heavy casualties to the Russians, ac ed the town of Tergovistea. Berlin the northwest along the Bukowina and cording to Berlin. The British Cab-Transylvania fronts violent fighting is inet is to be reconstructed, but the Argeshu River has come to a final in progress. According to Solia in the changes to be made will not bring former region the Belgarians repulsed about a policy different from that and that all along the front they are heavy Russian attacks. Berlin admits which has been pursued since the bedrawing closer their net towards Bu-slight progress in the northwest by ginning of the war. Unofficial adcharest. With the capture of Tergs the Russians who captured another vices from Athens say that quiet pre vistea and further south the driving height. In the Macedonia theatre lit- vails in the Greek Capital. The Britof the Roumanians beyond the rail- tle fighting of moment has taken place. ish War Trade Minister announced i way junction to the town of Titu the Berlin admits the realignment of the the Commons that the Entente Allies forces of the Central Powers now hold Teutonic Allied front east of the Cerna will immediately obtain a solution of intact all the railway lines running River while the Serbian War Office the Greek difficulties in which it i into Bucharest from the west of the asserts that the Serbs here have cap- said that King Constantine and his Predeal Pass. A line running north tured the entire services of powerful Government are deeply involved. from the Capital into Transylvania is fortified Bulgarian positions north of Britain has prohibited the sailing of the sole remaining railway connection Grunishte and Budimistra and taken Greek steamers from British ports. LONDON, To-day. outhwest of Bucharest the forces of trenches. Some British succeeded in agree to on Thursday will be £400,-

The new vote of credit which the Premier will ask the Commons to 000,000. This would bring the total

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