the portfolio of Minister of the Colonies, writes to the Agent-General of Tasmania, London, who sought from him a statement refuting reports,

him a statement refuting reports, published in the Dominions of political warfare in England, injuring Imperial solidarity: I have now been a member of the present C-binet for more than four months, and call say with absolute confidence that during the whole of that time, no political issue of any kind has ever been raised. This is true of the Government

issue of any kind has ever been raised. This is true of the Government

and so far as I can judge, it is true also of the country. The whole nation is absolutely united and deter

mined to carry this war to a successful termination. The only differ

ence of opinion among us is whether

the strength which ought to come from this material unity is being

most effectively used in the prosecu-

RUSSIAN TROOPS AND VARNA.

ere landed at Varna, Bulgaria, er

THE FIGHT IN BULGARIA.

PARIS, To-day.

An official communication of the

30, says, the enemy attacks on our

positions at Varda and his advances on Biel Obordo have been stopped, but the combat continues. The Aus-

trian losses have been appreciable. The artillery combat on the Drina, is

DENFENCE OF THE SUEZ CANAL.

The Austro-Germans are preparing new offensive against the Suez Canal, according to an Athens, despatch to the Tribune, which adds the Brit-

other things they have flooded the

POLITICAL DISCUSSION WANES.

There has been a notable decrease of political discussion on the Govern-

ment in the past few days. Equally

mism, regarding the success of Lord

RECORD DAY FOR RECRUITING.

The Daily News says the recruiting

TEN BURNT TO DEATH.

Ten persons were burned to death

DERBY PLEASED WITH RECRUIT-

at Brighton yesterday, claimed he had the authority of Earl Derby, Di-

rector of recruiting, for saying what-

ever the Earl had thought before, he

now was convinced the voluntary

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ous times. The proof of the pud-

ding is the eating of it.

system of recruiting would be saved.

NEW YORK, To-day

LONDON, To-day.

noted has been the growth of opti

Derby's recruiting scheme.

with provisions by the gunboats.

A despatch to the Times from Bu-charest says it is reported in naval quarters here that Russian troops were landed at Varna, Bulgaria, on

LONDON, To-day.

ROME, To-day.

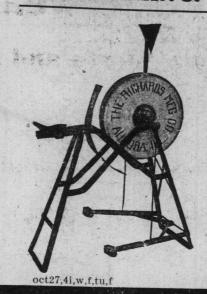
LONDON, To-day.

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tion of the war.

the Black Sea, Friday,





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Messages.

NOON.

FRENCH DROVE BACK BUL-GARIANS.

SALONIKI, To-day. The attempt made on Saturday by the Bulgarians with the aid of artillery to dislodge the French troops from their northern position in Serbia met with failure. A few advance posts scouting in the direction of eles retired before the Bulgarian attack to their base at Krivolak, where a division of French troops is strongly entrenched. The Bulgarians then attacked this position three times. The Bulgars were caught in a cross fire of the French artillery and were stopped when they were met by a fusilade of infantry. Finally the French charged with the bayonet. The Bulgarians were, driven into Vardar rains and many were drowned. It is asserted that / Kotchanic Pass has been recaptured by the French and that Veles district has been freed from the Bulgarians, although the town and railroad still remain in Bul-

PROTEST AGAINST SEIZURES.

NEW YORK, To-day. The owners of the American steam-British cruiser while proceeding from Carbarien, Cuba, and taken into Halifax as a prize, were in consultation Dutch steamer Homberg were prebound from New York to Caibarien landed in Salonika, which Cuba. The Hocking was one of the

455th Day of the War man interests or engaged in unneutral service. The officials of the line with a load of coal for Argentine. Steamship men believe the steamer was seized by a British cruiser shortly after passing outside the three mile limit off New York and started at once for Halifax.

> GOVERNOR OF BRUSSELS RE-MOVED.

LONDON, To-day. A despatch to the Star from Rotter lam says, it is understood General Sauberzweig, Military Governor of Brussels, who is generally believed ed be responsible for the final refusal to grant the American Minister's request for the postponement of the execution of Miss Edith Cavell has been removed from office and a new Military Governor appointed.

> THE LONDON BUDGET. LONDON, To-day,

The Germans have occupied Kra-

guyevats, the arsenal town of Serbia, while their Bulgarian Allies are pushing their way through the mountains to Nish, Serbia's war capital. From all sides the Germans, Austrians and Bulgarians are slowly closing in the Serbian armies posi-tions, which grows graver daily. They are fighting fiercely to save their country and have inflicted such lossthe eastern and southern part of the waging from the junction of Danube and Timok Rivers and the northeast of Uskup. In the south the Bulgarier Hocking which was seized by a ans are moving westward driving the Serbians out of the towns into the mountains, but from Uskup south they have been checked as the Ser to-day regarding the form of protest they would make. The owners of the modern guns and with gunners who paring a protest against the seizure by the British of that vessel while and Gallipoli. Beyond the forces man estimate place at 70,000 men,

ed sunk off Varna, but the report lacks confirmation. There is, howowning vessels said the statement ever, evidence in despatches from giving the attitude of the line will be Bucharest that the people of Roumade later. The Hocking sailed mania at least desire intervention and from here on Thursday for Norfolk that pressure is being brought on the King and Cabinet to induce them to join the Allies and permit Russian forces to pass through Roumanian territory to attack the Bulgars from Greece continues a friendly neutrality. The Germans having failed in two months almost incessan attacks to reach Riga and Dvinsk by various routes, are now trying along the railway which skirts the shores of Gujriga from Turkum and have according to their reports reached a point west of Schleka, which is a very slight advance, such low ground over which it is difficult to move, lies between them and their objective. In the Dvinsk sector both to the west and southwest of that city the Russians have begun an offensive apparently in anticipation of renewed attacks by the Germans. They also are on the move in the lake district east of of the Dvinsk-Vilna railway and in ing officials were taken by surprise. Volhynia and Galicia. The result of these various battles has not been disclosed if indeed they are conclud-These at the southern end of the line doubtless are designed to pre-vent the Germans and Austrians from sending reinforcements to Serbia.

THE KING AT BUCKINGHAM PAL-

es on Field Marshal Von Mackensen's Palace at 7.30. Although much ra-forces that he has been compelled to tigued by the journey his condition is send for reinforcements and leave officially reported satisfactory. The the more serious work of invading King reached Victoria Station by a country to Bulgarians, who have had more experience in the mountain warfare, such as the Serbians are closed and the public exit was also closed and the public exit was also lined all the approaches for a con siderable distance and loudly cheer containing members of his suite.

FIELD MARSHAL FRENCH'S RE-VIEW OF THE GREAT LOOS

BATTLE. LONDON, To-day. Field Marshal Sir John French this exception owing to wet misty weather the artillery on both sides asualties for the seven German batalions which took part in the las fighting, just published, show losse averaged 80 per cent. of the strength of these battalions. The British have where the Germans was driven back uarters, France, Oct. 15, Genera ealization of the intensity

BONAR LAW ON NATIONAL UNITY LONDON, To-day. The Unionist leader, who now hold

ish have made gigantic preparations to meet such an eventuality. Among land along the canal leaving the fortifications just standing out of the water, the defenders being supplied in London yesterday in spite of dismal weather beat all records for this year. It is estimated that over 2,500,000 in a fire which destroyed a three-story tenement house last night.

LONDON, To-day.
The King arrived at Buckingham special train. Elaborate precautions closed, but the elaborate nature of the measures defeated their purpose as hey attracted a large crowd which ed when the King's motor car appeared followed by several others

reporting from the front, says on October 29th the enemy heavily bombarded the area east of Ypres. With luring the last four days has been ess active. Mining activity continnes on both sides. The returns of strengthened their artillery by intro-ducing a new weapon, skilfully hand-led along the front of Flanders. in the great offensive on Sept. 25th This is the chief disclosure of popular interest in the long official despatch from Field Marshal French to Earl Kitchener, which was published ast night. Under date, General Head-French refers to the arrival in the field from Canada of a new division, which he says are composed of ex-cellent material. This division will, I am convinced, acquit itself as well as the first Canadian division has always done, the Field Marshal says.
The despatch is mainly technical and a military review of the inception and carrying out of the aftermath of fighting around La Bassee, Loos, Hulloch. Nevertheless it brings to the British public for the first time a full which the Germans launched their counter attack up to and including October (?) Then he writes, the Germans delivered an attack with some 28 battalions on a front line with larger forces in support which was preceded by very heavy bombard-ment from all parts of the German fronts. At all points of the line ex-cept two the Germans were repulsed with tremendous loss. It is comput ed on reliable authority they left some eight or nine thousand dead in front of the British and French trench General French says.

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