

CHRISTIANS SAFE IN ASIA MINOR.

Minister Terrell Assured on This Point by the Sultan of Turkey.

[BY CABLE TO THE HERALD.]

LONDON, March 17, 1895.—The Daily Graphic has this despatch from Constantinople:—"The Porte has sent a note to Mr. Terrell, the American Minister, assuring him of the safety of the Christians in Asia Minor. Orders on this subject have been sent to the provincial governors.

"The government objects to the presence of an Armenian interpreter at the sittings of the commission of inquiry, as he would enable the foreign delegates to follow the testimony too closely. The embassies concerned have urged the Porte to send to Moosh the dragoman attached to the French Consulate in Erzeroum. It is believed that the Sultan eventually will consent to do this. Forty Armenians were arrested here on March 14, because they subscribed to the fund for the relief of the families of the Sassoun victims."

The Daily Telegraph's correspondent in Armenia says, in a despatch under the date of Knoussaberd, March 9, via Kars, March 17:—"The entire Moslem populace is being roused to fanaticism under the eyes of the authorities. The Christians in Knoussaberd and Erzeroum are distrustful and terror-stricken. The Moslems publicly talk of the impending massacre. The local Governor of Knoussaberd recently said to deputation of villagers, who refused to send an address of thanks to the government:—"You will be punished. Whatever befalls you, however, will be of your own seeking. Then let the foreigners whom you trust protect you."