

GLADSTONE WRITES OF ARMENIA.

Letter Read to a Great Indignation Meeting in London—Resolution Offered at Washington.

LONDON, Dec. 17.—A very large public indignation meeting to protest against the Armenian atrocities was held in St. Martin's Town Hall to-night. Francis Seymour Stevenson, Member of Parliament and Chairman of the Anglo-Armenian Association, presided.

The following letter from Mr. Gladstone was read:

"Dear Mr. Stevenson: The terrible statements concerning the Armenians have riveted the attention of the world. I heartily wish well to your every effort for bringing out the truth. Should the allegations be sustained it will prompt the civilized world anew to ask how long these things are to be endured. I will not anticipate the result of the examination, but I feel morally certain that the administration will not rest without a more thorough examination into the matter, in which, under the Cyprus convention, we have a separate, deep and painful interest. It is my present duty to hope that the Ottoman Government, for its own honor, will cordially concur in this searching examination."

Speeches were made by the presiding officers, Canon MacColl, the Rev. Newman Hall and others. Resolutions condemning the outrages were adopted.

LONDON, Dec. 18—4 A. M.—In an editorial this morning the Times complains of the attitude of the speakers at the Armenian meeting last night in taking it for granted that the inquiry into the outrages will be futile, as little calculated to further their cause. It reminds the "respectable but obscure men who figured on the platform" that the question is in no way the same as when an array of prominent men followed Mr. Gladstone's lead in the Bulgarian atrocities agitation.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—Representative Hammer, of Pennsylvania, has introduced a resolution authorizing the President and Secretary of State to use their good offices towards the convening of the powers signing the Berlin agreement of 1878. The resolution cites the recent Armenian outrages as a reason for the action of the United States.

The Chronicle's Moscow correspondent telegraphs that he hears from Tiflis that encounters between Armenian and Turkish villagers on Russian territory are becoming so serious that the Governors of Erivan and Kars are taking energetic measures to quell the disturbances.

TO PROTEST IN WASHINGTON.

The Evangelical Alliance Will Plead with Gresham for the Armenians.

The Rev. Dr. Josiah Strong, General Secretary of the Evangelical Alliance, has arranged with Secretary of State Gresham for an audience at the State Department Thursday afternoon to protest against the Turkish outrages in Armenia. Dr. Strong and his colleagues have prepared a mass of data. Among the documents will be a resolution adopted yesterday by the Congregational Clerical Union of New York and Vicinity at their meeting in the Bible House.

There will also be resolutions adopted by the New York Preachers' Meeting of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

The Evangelical Alliance will call upon the National Government to exercise its influence upon the signatory powers of Europe to enforce the terms of the Berlin treaty of 1878 in favor of the Christian Armenians, and also to insist upon such provisions as shall henceforth not only secure them from similar outrages, but guarantee the rights of property and religious liberty.

Among the speakers at this evening's mass-meeting in Chickering Hall will be J. Augustus Johnson, ex-United States Minister, who took part in the settlement after the massacre in the East more than thirty years ago.