

# TURKS GLORY IN ATROCITIES.

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## Regulars Boast in Constantinople of Their Fiendish Slaughter of Helpless Armenian Women.

LONDON, Jan. 12—4 A. M.—The Speaker will publish to-day (Saturday) the following from its Constantinople correspondent:

"There is no doubt about the essential facts of the Armenian outrages. The official reports from the Consuls at Ver, Erzeroun, Sivas and Diarbekir have not been published yet, but they confirm the most horrible statements.

"In addition to the reports of Armenians and the Catholic and Protestant missionaries in Sassoun, we have the testimony of Turkish regulars who took part in the outrages, and who, since their return, have boasted freely in public places of their deeds. There is no doubt that they exaggerate.

"For instance, one boasted that he had ripped open twenty women about to become mothers, while another declared that he took part in the massacre of girls and women in a church, their blood running in a stream from beneath the door.

"It is needless to accept such statements literally, but they prove that such things are done with the Sultan's full approval. Hundreds of these statements agree on the essential points.

"The feature of the situation which constitutes the gravest possible danger is that these men were rewarded and Turkish officials everywhere understand that the Sultan will reward them for similar treatment of the Armenians.

"Alarming reports reached me from various parts of Asia Minor and Northern Syria of the aggressive activity of officials against Christians. Even foreign residents are in great danger."

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