

News has just been given out here of a serious fight at Tokat, on September 1, between Armenians and Turkish officials and gendarmes. The Turks were searching houses for an Armenian fugitive from justice, and were resisted by the Armenians, who assembled in force and attacked the gendarmes. In the ensuing fight several Armenians were killed.

RELIEF FOR CONSTANTINOPLE.

The Receipts of the Fund in Aid of the Sufferers from the Earthquake Growing.

A cablegram was recently received from the American Minister at Constantinople which said:—"Constantinople is in urgent need of relief. All European governments have contributed. The Sultan generously gave during the Johnstown disaster and Christian America should reciprocate."

An American Turkish Relief Fund was organized in New York, and at a recent meeting elected the Christian Herald as treasurer.

Dr. Louis Klopsch, editor of the Herald, has received a considerable amount up to date, aggregating to about \$5,000. Among the contributors are Drexel, Morgan & Co., of New York, \$1,000; Dr. Louis Klopsch, \$100; Messrs. G. Gulbenkian, Calladis Bey, Kelekian, Robert Levy, Nergarian and Telfian, each \$100.

The earthquakes which necessitated these contributions occurred on July 10 and 11. The calamity is so great that it has overtaxed the abilities of the imperial Ottoman and municipal government, who are obliged to look to other countries for help. Thousands of families, whose homes have been demolished, with all their contents, are camping in open lots, and clothing, shelter and food are urgently needed. England has already contributed \$40,000, France \$70,000 and the German Emperor 5,000 marks to the aid of the sufferers.