

ARRESTS IN ARMENIA.

Local Prisons Said To Be Crowded—Abdullah Pacha To Be an Investigator—An Appeal to the Pope.

[BY CABLE TO THE HERALD.]

VIENNA, Jan. 1, 1895.—Despatches from Constantinople tell of numerous arrests throughout Armenia. The whole province is disturbed. Many troops have left Constantinople for various parts of Asia Minor in the last few days. The pretext was that their time had expired and they were going home, but there is good reason to believe that they were destined for the military centres, notably Erzrughlan.

The recall of Abdullah Pacha, the most fearless member of the Commission of Inquiry, has been cancelled, owing to the Porte's anxiety to dispell the unfavorable reports to which it gave rise.

Journals in the Caucasus say that domicillary visits and searches are still made daily in Armenia, and that numerous arrests are made. The local prisons are crowded. The Bitlis prison is filled with Armenians, among them a priest more than seventy years old, who was arrested for refusing to betray his son's hiding place. The Armenian Catholics have appealed to the Pope.

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TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD:—

The sensational news from Asiatic Turkey, which comes to us through English sources, has rather a doubtful sound, in view of the present spirit of friendliness that animates the government of Great Britain and Russia. The English people are being educated to a point that they will reject the belief that Englishmen are the natural protectors of the Turk, and so through manufactured news of terrible atrocities committed against the Christian Armenians by the Pagan Turk, the English people are being educated to a point where they can view with calmness the coming subjection of Turkey by its ancient enemy, Russia. It is my opinion that the Armenians are treated as well as they deserve, and our government would do well to keep its feet out of the mess.

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