

## THE AMBASSADORS MEET AGAIN.

### And Decide to Apply Fresh Pressure to Tewfik Pasha.

## ECHOES OF SALISBURY'S SPEECH.

### They Reach Constantinople, but His Remarks Are Not Considered Forcible Enough to Frighten the Sultan Into Compliance with the Demands of the Powers.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Nov. 11.—The English mission near Jerusalem has been attacked by a riotous mob. The missionaries escaped, but some of the servants of the mission were killed.

A Consul has just arrived here, and he describes the whole country from Erzeroum and Trebizond as being completely devastated. Every Armenian town and village is in ruins. Heaps of unburied bodies are found everywhere. A Turkish official states that the trouble originated at Erzeroum with an attack on the Government house, caused by the torture of prisoners. Petroleum was freely used for the purpose of setting fire to the houses of the Armenians.

The number of victims of the Bariburt massacre is now reported to be 1,500, and it is estimated that the total number of Armenians, men, women and children, killed during all the most recent massacres exceeds 10,000. This total is being constantly added to. It is estimated that during the past week or ten days 300 Armenians have been exiled, without trial, from the city, and the police are still engaged in making arrests.

#### More Pressure.

As a result of the exchange of numerous telegrams between the representatives of the powers and their respective Governments, lasting nearly all day Saturday and yesterday morning, an important meeting of the Ambassadors was held and the situation was thoroughly discussed. Finally it was decided to send fresh representations to the Turkish Minister for Foreign Affairs, Tewfik Pasha, renewing, in much stronger language, the demands addressed by the Ambassadors to Tewfik Pasha's predecessor, Said Pasha, on Nov. 5, and insisting upon being informed without further delay as to what measures the Porte contemplated taking in order to restore order in Armenia and reminding the Turkish Government that it has already been notified of the intention of the powers, acting in concert, to take their own steps in the matter, should it develop that the action of the Porte is inadequate to deal with the state of anarchy prevailing in Anatolia.

It is known that the Sultan still refuses to believe that the powers are in accord as to the action to be taken in case of the Porte's failure to restore order in the Turkish Empire, but no amount of persuasion seems strong enough to bring Abdul Hamid to reason, and the opinion is freely expressed that nothing short of a naval demonstration will awaken the Turks to a realization of the actual state of affairs.

#### Salisbury's Speech.

Echoes of the Marquis of Salisbury's speech at the Lord Mayor's banquet have reached here, the main feature quoted being his statement as to the concerted action of the powers toward Turkey. His remarks are not considered to be as forcible as his previous utterances on the same subject, when Parliament assembled after the general elections, and it is feared that this may encourage the Sultan to further opposition to the recommendations of the powers regarding Armenia.

Even if they are actuated by the best intentions, the Turkish authorities have let matters run until they are now powerless to stop the Kurds, who are continuing, on an increased scale, the work of massacre, fire and rapine. That they are either acting under direct instructions from the Yildiz Kiosk or else with the secret approval of the Sultan, nobody here seems to doubt, and this conviction becomes stronger every day.

#### Pretense of Activity.

A semblance of activity is displayed by the Porte. It announced to-day that steps were being taken to send 120,000 troops against the Kurds, but, in view of the financial situation here, it is considered doubtful whether the Porte would be able to carry out its plans, even if the Government had a genuine desire to suppress the uprising.

Sir Philip Currie, British Ambassador to Turkey, is expected back to his post at the end of the week. He was called to London to consult with the Foreign Office and other Government officials regarding the situation here, and the Hon. Michael Herbert, British Charge d'Affaires, has been in charge of the Embassy during his absence.

An official note was issued by the Porte to-day expressing the Sultan's thanks for the "energetic measures taken by the imperial authorities in view of the disturbances and revolts which have broken out in certain provinces of Asia Minor, which were due to the seditious intrigues of Armenian agitators, and which have been everywhere suppressed." The note adds:

"Order has now been restored in all the districts which were recently the scene of riots and conflicts, and precautions have been taken to insure the maintenance of quiet."

London, Nov. 11.—The Marquis of Salisbury's speech of Saturday seems to have a good effect here and throughout Europe.