

## HIS HEAD IS SWELLED

Attitude of the Sultan Disturbs the Powers.

NOT READY TO TREAT FOR PEACE

Resumption of Fighting by Greeks in Epirus Hurts the Progress of Peace Negotiations.

LONDON, May 15.—The sultan's reply to the note of the ambassadors at Constantinople, offering mediation, saying he would be ready to discuss the matter after the greater Bairam festival, which ends on Sunday night, justifies the fear that the powers have lost ground that will not be easy to get back. Abdul Hamid is cool to the point of insolence. His attitude is that of a sovereign with a powerful army behind him, and he is disposed to treat the powers cavalierly.

Articles published in the semi-official press of the Continent show that the increase in the prestige of the sultan is the chief concern of the European cabinets and that the prospects of an effective enforcement of the general reforms for the Turkish empire are thereby relegated to the very distant future.

The Journal des Debats declares that the result of the war has been to place Turkey in a position she has not held for the past half-century, adding:

"Her tremendous military effort is largely in excess of what the struggle against Greece required. It was done to refute the allegation of decrepitude and to demonstrate to the sultan's own subjects and to those of the smaller states and to the great powers that Turkey is able to hold her own."

The British, Russian and Austrian newspapers re-echo these remarks, and it is generally felt that this fact will have to be reckoned with in the negotiations upon the conditions of peace.

In the meanwhile, the postponement of the sultan's reply until after the greater Bairam festival is interpreted as meaning that his majesty intends that his army shall continue its victorious advance until every strategic point on the Othrya mountain range is in the hands of the Turks, and that only then will Edhem Pasha receive orders to stop fighting.

The resumption of fighting by the Greeks in Epirus is regarded as a foolish move, and only furnishes Turkey with a plausible motive for refusing an armistice. It also hurts the progress of the peace negotiations.

The cabinets are also occupied with the difficult problem of how Greece will pay the war indemnity which Turkey seems certain to demand. M. Delyannis, the former Greek premier, in his newspaper, sanguinely argues that Greece cannot be expected to pay an indemnity because the Turks "declared the war officially without provocation." This view of the question is not shared elsewhere, and an international commission to administer finances of Greece on the lines of a similar Turkish commission is mooted. The commission would, it is proposed, sit at Athens and take over the Greek customs for the purpose of liquidating the Greek debt and possibly for the war indemnity.

### NEW YORK'S DESTINATION.

The Cruiser Being Hurriedly Prepared for a Long Sea Voyage.

NEW YORK, May 15.—Orders have been sent to Rear-Admiral Montgomery Sicard to have his flagship, the New York, made ready to go to sea from New York, at a moment's warning, according to a Washington dispatch to the Herald. She is to fill up with coal to her full capacity. The haste with which she is to prepare for sea may be judged from the fact that, although she needs about 170 tons to fill her bunkers to their full capacity, this amount of fuel will be hurried on board tomorrow.

The New York's engines have been taken apart, and she is undergoing a thorough overhauling of her motive machinery at her moorings, off Tompkinsville, S. I., but the engineering force of the cruiser is doubtless already at work putting the engines together, and it is believed that she will be ready for sea by Monday next.

Concerning the flagships destination nothing can be learned at the navy de-

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partment, but that her departure from port has bearing on the Cuban cause is denied by the secretary. It does not seem possible that the recent routine order regarding target practice cover the case of the New York. Not only would there be no haste in getting her ready for sea if target practice and gun exercise were all that was intended, but there would be no necessity for filling up her coal bunkers. With about 1100 tons already stored, the cruiser could remain at sea a couple of weeks without running short of fuel. The rush to get the remainder of her coal on board indicates a long voyage.

It has been suggested that Consul-General Lee has renewed his request that a naval force be kept within a short distance of Havana for the protection of American citizens in that city against mob violence. There is no corroboration of this theory, but the belief among navy officers is strong that the New York is to be held in complete readiness to go to Key West at a moment's warning.

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Greeks Returned From Crete.

ATHENS, May 15.—Five hundred Greek soldiers and twenty officers arrived here today from the island of Crete. They received an ovation from the populace.

Greeks Bombarded Nicopolis.

ATHENS, May 15.—The Greeks have been bombarding Nicopolis since early this morning.

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### More Trouble in Africa.

PARIS, May 15.—There are indications of a possibility of serious trouble between France and Morocco, owing to the incursion of Moorish tribesmen into Algerian territory. The Moors recently revolted against the authority of the governor of Coudida, a town near the French frontier, and on Tuesday attempted to seize an Algerian village. The French cavalry is being massed on the frontier of Morocco and two companies of zouaves and a number of tirailleurs, with several field pieces, have been ordered to hold themselves in readiness to leave Oran, the port of Algeria nearest to Morocco. A rumor is also in circulation that 30 spahis (Arabian cavalry in the French service) were surprised by Moors near Magnha, who fired several volleys at them. One of the spahis was wounded.

### The Best Remedy for Rheumatism.

From the Fairhaven (N. Y.) Register.

Mr. James Rowland of this village, state that for twenty-five years his wife has been a sufferer from rheumatism. A few nights ago she was in such pain that she was nearly crazy. She sent Mr. Rowland for the doctor, but he had read of Chamberlain's Pain Balm and instead of going for the doctor he went to the store and secured a bottle of it. His wife did not approve of Mr. Rowland's purchase at first, but nevertheless applied the Balm thoroughly and in an hour's time was able to go to sleep. She now applies it whenever she feels an ache or a pain and finds that it always gives relief. He says that no medicine which she had used ever did her as much good. The 25 and 50 cent sizes for sale by Blakeley & Houghton.

### It's a Whopper.

ASTORIA, Or., May 15.—What is believed to be the largest salmon ever caught in the Columbia river was delivered at S. Elmore's packing-house in this city this morning. The monster was one of the truest and most perfect specimens of royal chinook salmon ever seen in Astoria. His actual measurement, from tip to tip, was 4 feet 5 1/2 inches, and his largest circumference, three feet, the girth close to the tail being fully one foot. The spread of the tail was 1 foot 4 inches, and the exact weight, 81 1/2 pounds. On being cooked and packed the fish filled 5 1/4 dozen one-pound cans.

### By the Sultan's Commands.

CONSTANTINOPLE, May 15.—At the command of the sultan, eleven wounded Turkish soldiers were placed in the court of the Mosque yesterday while his majesty passed, upon the occasion of the Selamluk.

### Too Transparent.

Dairyman's Wife—The cows gave more milk than usual to-night. Dairyman—Yes; but I can explain that. It's kind of funny, but I actually forgot to milk them this morning at all until I had gone over the whole route. I noticed the people seemed to grumble more than usual when I filled their pitchers.—Up-to-Date.

### Little Eleanor's Frankness.

Eleanor had been sent down to entertain the young man until her big sister was ready.

"You certainly has a werry wed nose, Mr. Nicolls," she said, among other startling things; "it's awful wed—des' like sister's cheeks—does you paint it wif a wed wose leaf or des' pinch? Sister does both."—N. Y. World.

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### Geographical.

Miss Beacon Hill—Dear me! Strange, but I cannot remember. Where is Dresden? Young Lakeside—O, that's easy. In China. Saw the address in a show-window to-day.—Philadelphia Press.

### Accepted with Thanks.

He—I had my picture taken along with Nero, my big St. Bernard, you know. May I have the pleasure of presenting you with a copy? She—Oh, I guess so. I always did admire a handsome dog.—Tit-Bits.

### Agreed.

The Happy Man—I tell you, old fellow, a man doesn't know what real happiness is until he's married. Cynical Friend—Then he finds that it consists in being single.—Brooklyn Life.

### All Right in His Place.

Yeast—The office seeker is all right in his place. Crimsonbeak—Right you are. But the trouble is he won't go there. "Go where?" "Home."—Yonkers Statesman.

### It Was True Blue.

"Guess it's going to rain," chirped the milkman, as he emptied his measure. The woman of the house threw a glance into the pan. "It looks like it," she said, sternly.—N. Y. World.

### Explained.

Hazel—I wonder why so few take time by the forelock? Nuttie—Because time's forelock usually lies between the horns of a dilemma.—Brooklyn Life.

### In the Heat of the Conflict.

He—Do you think your judgment is as good as mine? She—Oh, no, dear. Our choice of life partners proves that it isn't.—N. Y. Journal.

### Intended to Face Him.

"Now, when you ask papa for me, be sure to face him like a man." "You bet I will. He doesn't get any chance at my back if I can help it."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

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