The British Consul at Van, in the southern district of Armenia, has reported the massacre to the British authorities.

The Turkish commander in Armenia accuses the British Consul of inciting the people to revolt.

The Armenian Patriotic Association has decided to draw up a memorial to the Earl of Kimberley, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, urging the Great Powers which signed the Berlin Treaty to take measures to replace the Turkish régime in Armenia.

The details of the massacres in Armenia are appalling. It is alleged that the Turkish authorities at Stamboul directly instigated the acts of violence laid to the charge of the Turkish troops. The people were slaughtered by the soldiers, regardless of age or sex. Nine hundred women were first violated and then hacked to pieces. The soldiers offered to spare the lives of some of the most attractive of the Armenian women if they would abjure their religious faith, but they stoutly refused to do so, and were butchered like the rest.

It is reported that between 6000 and 10,000 Armenians—men, women, and children—were ruthlessly massacred.

The Turkish Government, which has been appealed to, declares that the Turkish troops are not responsible for the terrible atrocities, which they assert were perpetrated by Armenian brigands, with the assistance of insurgent Kurds, who are alleged to have outraged Mussulmans and Christians. The Turkish regular troops restored order.