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A Spanish explorer is said to have been offered large bribes by the Turkish government to minimise the massacres he witness-

It is stated that the buying and selling of young boys and girls, chiefly the latter, is regularly carried on at Tripoli under Turkish rule.

The revenue for the last quarter indicates a revival of trade, and the Chancellor of the Exchequer may have a substantial surplus at the close of the financial year.

Rev. R. M. MacInnes, of Darlingtonplace U. P. Church, Ayr, has passed away, in his sixty-fourth year, after a protracted illness. He was ordained in 1857.

A mural tablet, with medallion portrait, is to be placed in Kirkconnel Church to the memory of Rev. John Donaldson, who was minister of the parish for many years.

A cave belonging to people who lived anterior to the Christian era has been discovered at Oban by men while blasting a rock. It contained human bones and

Last year 61,919,077 pieces of coin were struck at the Mint, including over six millions' worth of sovereigns and half-sovereigns, £942,856 of silver, and £33,485 of

The Rev. Professor Rentoul, D.D., of Ormond Theological College, Melbourne, has been elected Moderator of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church fo

Rev. J. H. Wishart, B.A., a probationer of the London Presbytery, has been appointed assistant to Dr. Munro Gibson, and occupied the St. John's wood pulpit on Christ-

It is asked by Rev. Dr. William Balfour, of Edinburgh, what right have Principal Donaldson and Prof. Knight to negotiate for an affilation of Blair's collegeto St. Andrew's

Excessive tea-drinking is said to be on the increase in America. Of the patients applying in one week at a dispensary in Brook'yn, 10 per cent. were said to be tea-

Rev. W. Westwood, of Johnstone, has declined the call to Frederick-street Church, Glasgow, and Rev. D. M. Forrester, of Logicalmond, that to Overnewton congregation in the same city.

It has been stated at a meeting in the City Temple, London (Rev. Dr. Parker's), on the subject of the Armenian atrocities, that Mr. Gladstone has promised to see the business through.

Baron Hirsch's land of promise, in the Argentine Republic, for the persecuted Jews now extends to 444,780 acres, and hundreds of families have been conveyed thither. Already the Baron bas expended £376,-

The Empress-Dowager of China has made valuable presents to the foreign ladies resident in Pekin in return for their gift of a New Testament, and the Emperor has given special orders for the protection of Christian places of worship.

Perth U. P. Presbytery have resolved to visit Newburgh Church to inquire into the strained relations between Rev. J. D. Brown and the congregation, which seem to have originated by the preaching of a strongly-worded Temperance sermon.

The Marquis of Bute has written a very long letter parrating his connection with the proposed removal of Blair's college to St. Andrew's. He admits that for a time be confounded the two ideas, affiliation with transference and affiliation without it.

At a meeting of the Presbytery of Mun-ster, after the death of Rev. Dr. Wilson, of Limerick, it was moved by Mr. Murray, seconded by Mr. Holmes, and passed, that the members of Presbytery present be ap-pointed a commission of Presbytery to take charge of the congregation of Limerick during the vacaucy, Rev. John Holmes to act as convener. Moved by Mr. Murray, seconded by Mr. Wark, and passed, that the Rev. John Holmes be appointed interim Moderator of the session of Limerick.

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