

stand and come out. She, indeed, made no secret of her religious views in the family-circle, and was very useful to her father on his death-bed, whom we all believed at the time as having died in faith. She repeated with great solemnity utterances of his which certainly left no doubt upon our minds that he had found Christ, and departed in peace like Simeon. But however deeply she was impressed at the time, her surroundings and other circumstances got the upper hand, and she remained other two years among her Jewish friends. Last springshe joined Miss Ewan on the Bosphorus, and being alone with her, and away from the former deterring influences, she soon recovered, and the Spirit of God blessed to her the means and the gentle influence of Miss Ewan. In a sweet spirit she said to me, on asking baptism, that hitherto her besetting sin was the *fear of man*; but now she is quite ready, come what may, to profess her Lord publicly.

"Her case, as an old pupil and a teacher of our schools, created great interest, and a large congregation of Christian friends and old Jewish pupils gathered to witness the administration of the sacred ordinance. Friends came from different suburbs—from Bebek, Haaskioy, Scutari, and other parts—and before a crowded assembly she stepped forward to confess Christ as her Lord and Saviour. Many prayers were offered in her behalf. Our text on the occasion was Ps. xlv. 10, 11: 'Hearken, O daughter, and consider, and incline thine ear; forget also thine own people, and thy father's house; so shall the King greatly desire thy beauty; for He is thy Lord; and worship thou Him.'

"Her case will greatly encourage the friends of Israel, especially the Ladies' Association, who take such a deep interest in the education of Jewish females, and many remembered her especially in their prayers. We rejoice also with our teachers, both with Misses Whittet and Ewan, who had her as a pupil, and laid the foundation, and the others who had her as a labourer under their charge. Is it not true that in due time, if we faint not, we shall reap? The truth is lying dormant in numbers of those girls. Oh that the Spirit would bring it to life, and help them to come out!"

Western Asia, the cradle of the human race, and the birth-place of the Christian religion, is once more missionary ground; once more it is becoming a battle-field for the soldiers of the Cross, in the very seat of their ancient victories. In the course of events Constantinople will become the centre of operations in the coming conflict, and the capital of a new empire. The Golden Horn which, in the picture accompanying this article, separates Galata from the great city, showing only a few ships, will then outstrip New York's golden horn in the abundance of its shipping; across the Bosphorous Anglo-Saxon architects will soon be found building bridges for the railways connecting London with Calcutta; and the Mosque of St. Sophia, which, in the wood-cut, lifts its great dome above the other buildings, will once more echo the praises of Him whose name, in spite of the jealousy of Mohammedans, is still under mysterious symbols legible on the walls of this venerable pile—the oldest and the grandest of the ancient Christian churches.