TOPICS OF THE DAY.

BRITISH INTERSIS. -- The Spectator thinks 'no question is to dangerous as that of the reedom of the Dardsnelles. The English scople believes that not only does it involve he safety of Constantinople -- which is un-rue, for Constantinople -- which is un-termined -- which is un-antipe -- which is un-termined -- which is

being a strong hand also the methods of a maritime war. hrough the methods of a maritime war. Russia may get ships, no doubt, but so may France ; while England has already get them, but is not going to attack anybody without a motive, nevertheless. Germany might just as well shut the Sound because England could get into the Baltic, as Engr-ted and the Dardanelles because Reman

without a motive, nevertheless. Germany might just a well shut the Sound because England could get into the Baltio, as Eng-land close the Dardanelles because Reffina could get into the Mediterranean. Never-theless, we freely admit that it is about the Dardanelles that our people, partly from tra-dition, partly from misguidance, are least nusceptible to advice, and in arguing for a dissolution on that question, we give Lord Beaconsfield the vary field he would choose, the very subject he would select, the very ory he would be most eager to raise. 'Disraeli and the Dardanelles,' would be entirely to hit sate-redonaled for his genius. a ory at once personal, sonorous, popular, antithetical, and rubbiah."

that the posito Mahomedan-is brought more it than any other nerely as Turks, Powers The Turks, not merely as Turks, but as Mahomedana, are her hereditary focs. It is not morely, nor even primarily, as Asistio invaders that they have for com-turies found in her their deadliost enemy. By the force of circumstances ahe has be-come the representative of the Greek Chris-tians whom the Turks subjugated, and the combined familiarious no case and of religion has gathered itself around her. With her right hand thus grasping the hit of her aword on her Danubian frontier, she has, whether wisely or not, rendered herself the one great foo of the Mahomedan Principalone great foe of the Mahomedan Principali-ties in Central Asia. Something of the in-tensity of primitive races seems to mark the people of that region, and their Mahomedan-ism is of a more force and bigoted type than. is to be found elsewhere. The Russians may very possibly have had no alternative but to subdue them, but the result is that the left a barred long a barred long hand of the Empire, as it were, is inextri-ang partially con-trol of some of the most turbulent and reck-less of religious francis. In ordinary cir-cumstances, indeed, it may well be that the barween Russis and

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THE BISHOPS AND THE CONFESSIONAL. s will be a general feeling ally reflected the national sources of ubject. Whatever doubts or questions night have been raised by other modes of decoating voluntary confession, the fact of the "conspira-liberately calls nedly set it bethem. Whesher they designed y so is be-fore them as their object or not, they have really adopted, and are seeking to imbus the minds of the people of this country with, the doctrine of compulsory and habital confessional such an Catholic countries. dren who are taught at dipped through. The collars when bahind, and have either dism. for them unless they go to the "priost" to confess, will to a moral certainty we used for them, blue and the stand of lines in the court of the stand of lines in the court of the stand stand stand stand they are round as the back, a forst, and are of their willingness to suppress "The Priost in Advocution," but the years of a standard standard they are round as the back, a forst, and are of lines for stand are of lines and are standard they inter they intend to go in both them recalls a standard standard standard standard they are round as the back, a forst, and are of lines and are standard they inter they intend to go on jnculasting the practice it encour-tion and are of lines and are standard they inter they intend to go on jnculasting the practice it encour-tion are standard of the first standard they intend to go on inculasting the practice it encour-in indented ides, and a in other is a sgraceful little gold of hindented ides, and are of little gold from one in the states in other the standard the standard they will adopt whatever means are a said to mean, "I was of the evil eye." I is was the standard to make and they first and cloba, and Globa. The Times are lines in olden they are standard they will adopt whatever means are and Globa. The times are lines and are of intendention to a question of the standard they will adopt whatever of the containes is said to mean, "I was of the evil eigen. The standard are standard to a standard they will adopt whatever of the Confession in the English Church, if would be unanimous to as was supplied by the system comes to as an supplied by the system comes to as an supplied by the standard they will a contain and a state based to the state stranger. <text><text><text><text><text><text>

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