

tinctly Arab, rather than negro, cast of countenance and quite long hair, worn in braids. These are found holding large territory in the Soudan, east, central and west, the country bordering upon the great Sahara desert.

The name Kaffir, given to the Africans generally by the cape whites, is only the Mohammedan name, Kaffir or Kaffre, given to a heathen—uncircumcised, and therefore unclean.

WORLD'S STUDENT CHRISTIAN FEDERATION CONFERENCE.

The following is an extract from a letter written by Chas. W. Bishop of Toronto, Canadian student secretary for the Y. M. C. A. It contains Mr. Bishop's impressions of the Student Christian Federation Conference, recently held in Constantinople, Turkey:

The outstanding features of the Conference to me were not the size of the meetings nor the addresses, though some of them were the strongest and most effective I have ever heard, but the place and country in which the Conference was held, and the composition of the assembly. These were the two impressive features. To have a great Christian conference in Turkey and in the historic city of Constantinople, is in itself significant because such a thing has only been possible since the inauguration of the new regime under the Young Turk party two years ago. The carrying of the Conference to this city brought the Student Christian Movement into direct touch with the students of the most needy countries of the Near East. In the Turkish Empire are a number of strong Christian institutions, such as Robert College, in whose buildings the Conference was held; Bardezag, on the Sea of Marmora; Smyrna in Asia Minor, and Beirut in Syria. In this last city is the Syrian Protestant College, which with its 1,000 students in all modern departments of work, Mr. Mott regards as the greatest university in non-Christian lands. It brought the movement close also to the great colleges of the Greek Church, whose interest in this Conference was their first contact with