

ously presented to his fellow monarch. The object of the visit was to strengthen German interests in the East and secure whatever advantages were possible for Germany in the matter of markets. There have not been lacking remarks of a caustic and cynical character anent this visit of the sovereign of a Christian nation to, and his paraded friendship for, Abdul the Damned, the perpetrator of

fail to give the former the idea that he has less reason than ever to fear the European concert, is certain. Among the incidents of the tour was a military review at Damascus before the Emperor, and our second illustration depicts a scene of a decidedly thrilling character, and which must have warmed the very cockles of the heart of His Majesty, who is a military-maniac of the first water.

In our third illustration is witnessed the unveiling of the tablet which will provide a permanent memento of their Imperial Majesties' visit to Baalbec.

While the Emperor of Germany has been gadding about in quest of new markets for goods "made in Germany," the authorities of the neighboring republic have been exercising all their wits to keep their political fabric from tumbling about their ears. France's present state of disquietude is the result of an act of glaring injustice perpetrated three years ago by the government of that day against an officer of the army, one Captain Dreyfus, who was charged with betraying vital strategical secrets to a foreign power.

After a travesty of a trial, Dreyfus was sentenced to death, but this was later changed to banishment, the unfortunate prisoner being first publicly degraded. A persistent effort has been maintained by those who believe Dreyfus innocent to procure him a fresh trial, but, arrayed against the mere handful composing these, were all the forces of the govern-



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the worst series of outrages which have marked the bloody record of Turkish rule in Armenia; but "business is business," and, like not a few others of less exalted station, the Emperor of Germany does not let sentiment interfere therewith. That the interchange of "gush" between Sultan and Emperor will not

ment, the influence of the army, and the deeply-rooted hatred of the Jews which prevails in Paris, which, politically, is France. Against such a combination of hostile forces, the friends of the exiled Jewish officer had an almost unsurmountable task, but at last they succeeded so far as to secure a revision of the case against Dreyfus. This is, at time of writing, still proceeding; but even this much has not