

MINISTERIAL JUNKETTINGS.

Members of the Government Who Go Through the Country in Private Cars.

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THE MERCILESS TURK AGAIN.

The Sultan's Servants Will Yet Have the Powers Down on Him.

Tiflis, Aug. 19.—Special advices from Moscow say that the Turkish officials have driven the Christians out of their houses in all the country between Sassoun and Moosh, and have given the houses to members of the Kurdish tribe. The victims are starving.

British Consuls to Assist Their Merchants in Finding Markets.

Washington, Aug. 20.—Mr. Claude Meeker, American consul at Bradford, England, has applied the state department of the movement among the boards of trade of the various cities in England to secure from British consuls reports concerning business openings in their localities, such as are made by the consuls of the United States at present.

Washington City, Aug. 20.—It is understood here that Mr. Sattoli is giving his attention to the question raised by the petition to him for the suppression of the brewery conducted by the Benedictine monks at Beatty, Pa., with a view to harmonize the differences, so as to placate the complainants and at the same time not deal harshly with the ecclesiastics conducting the brewery.

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to apply to parliament for a fresh grant, which might easily lead to a repetition of the unpleasant discussions which unfortunately characterized the history of the memorial. To-day's ceremonies bore lit-tle resemblance to a general festivity. Its military character was its most prominent feature. The general public was excluded, and the regulations of the police for closing the thoroughfares in the neighborhood were extensive, even in Berlin. It is not surprising, therefore, that complaints are raised similar to those heard at the opening of the reichstag. It was especially remarked that at the laying of the keystone of the Baltic canal the presidents of the reichstag, as representatives of the people, followed the chancellor in the tapping of the stone. To-day they were relegated to the last place.

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