

"No; I took her to a physician. and he asked me to pay two liras (about \$9), and I told him I did not want to waste so much money on her. Why," he continued, "I would sell her for half that amount."

—If to be "mad" is a sure indication that "the gods" are about to send destruction, it looks much as though the time of "the sick man" was short. It is pleasant to read this in the London *Christian Leader*: "The censorship in Turkey over the religious press is becoming intolerable, and Her Majesty's representative has declared that the Christian Scriptures must be admitted intact. The censors have been erasing 'Jew' and 'Hebrew' in all places, and inserting the word 'Christian' before sinners, thus: 'Jesus came into the world to save (Christian) sinners'—as if no Turks could be sinners." And, further, the shocking intelligence comes that a Mohammedan mob has burned the fine new college building of the American Board at Marsovan.

And why should not redemption be brought in part by the locomotive? Scarcely had we read of the completion of the railroad from Joppa to Jerusalem before we are informed that another is under way from Acre, under Mount Carmel, through Esdraelon, past Cana and Nazareth, across the Jordan, and thence north to Damascus; that a French company has broken ground for a third from Beyrout across the Lebanon range to the same city; and, finally, that a Belgian company will soon build a track from Samsoun, on the Black Sea, to Ceyas, on the Mediterranean, thus opening up the heart of Asia Minor! Let His Serene Highness look out for the engine.

—Professor Fleischer, who died a few years ago, was an uncommonly fine Arabic scholar. One of his works, an edition of Beidhawi's "Commentary on the Koran," was submitted to the Sheik-ul-Islam at Constantinople, the highest of all Moslem dignitaries, who considered it beneath him even to glance at

an infidel's disfigurement of the classical work of Mohammedan theology. But in the end he was led to open the book and read a few lines, which so impressed him that he read on, and then expressed his astonishment that there existed among infidels a man who apparently understood Beidhawi as well as an orthodox doctor.

India.—Rev. W. H. Ball says that 90 per cent of native converts in India are won by native preachers, men of wonderful eloquence.

—The Rev. Abdul Ali, of Banda, a lineal descendant of the prophet Mohammed, has died after more than twenty years' loving and successful service in the Gospel ministry. He gained converts from all classes, his first convert of distinction being a learned Maulvi. Another of his converts was one of the Maharajah's pandits. No journey was too difficult, if only he could win the inquirers to whom he went to Christ.

—A native paper of Bombay—the *Dny-uno-daya*—calls upon any person who has found in any of the Hindu sacred books the thought that God hates sin, to point out the passage, quoting chapter and verse. It says that it knows no utterance affirming that God desires that man should be saved from sin and made pure in heart.

—There are more missionary societies represented in India than in any other country of the world; there are more missionaries, more schools, more churches, more communicants, a wider opportunity for every form of Christian endeavor, the use of every weapon of Christian warfare, the application of every Christian principle. And well may it be so; for the population numbers 288,000,000, and the idols worshipped 330,000,000. And besides, India is under the especial care of Christian Britain.

—Hindus show their piety in building hospitals for mosquitoes, snakes, and scorpions, but allow their wives and