

in organizing and training an efficient army. The Turkish forces in Tripoli, aided by the native Arabs, may be trusted to fight with fanatical courage, and the struggle may continue for months. The hope is that it will be confined to its present area. England's prohibition of the marching of Turkish troops through Egyptian territory, and Austria's warning to Italy not to attack any parts of European Turkey, should make this possible. The advantage lies greatly with Italy in her command of the sea, which permits her readily to pour a vast army into the region of war.

Accursed are the wanton makers of war. At this high-handed action on the part of a so-called Christian nation, the Mohammedan world is roused to a white heat of indignation. The Turks have been taking a great step in the direction of western civilization, and giving a hearing to the message of Christian teachers as never before. If they are left to interpret Christianity by the example of Italian greed and perfidy, they will be steeled against it for generations to come.

Have we not yet come to the time "when the common-sense of most shall hold a fretful realm in awe," and is there not enough Christian humanitarianism among the great nations to establish some measure of international fair play?

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PROPER BIBLE INSTRUCTION FOR THE YOUNG is a subject which is receiving a good deal of attention from educational writers. Sectarian differences on the part of parents incline many to the opinion that it should be omitted from school studies, and to this sectarian feeling the education departments of our Canadian provinces have generally bowed. The modern home has largely ceased to furnish any Bible teaching, partly on account of the conditions of living to which the old-fashioned home has not been able to accommodate itself. The inevitable result, already noticed and deplored by thoughtful persons, is that, except for the instruction imparted to a limited number who attend a half-hour class on Sundays, the rising generation today is left uninformed regarding the contents of the Bible. Something better than the necessarily scrappy knowledge gained in the Sunday School is required. The new light of modern research which has so vastly widened knowledge and