

## **MANY TURKS SLAIN AT TIFLIS.**

**Houses Set on Fire and Inmates Prevented from Escaping.**

CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 19.—The latest dispatch received from Tiflis says that 300 houses in the Mussulman quarter were set on fire by armed Armenians, who prevented the inmates from leaving and fired on the firemen who attempted to extinguish the flames.

The total number of Mussulmans killed is not yet ascertained, but fifty-seven Turkish subjects are known to have perished. The fighting was continuing on Dec. 17, when the telegram was forwarded, and the Turkish Consulate was overcrowded with refugees.

A telegram of the same date from Batum reports a continuance of the disorders there. Great fears of a massacre prevailed in the Mussulman community.

The Government transport Ismir has left Constantinople for Batum to take off the Turks.

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