

A report comes from Constantinople that 80,000 Musulmans, presumably in the Balkan districts, have armed themselves with the camion and rifles left behind by Suleiman Pasha at the time of his retreat, and attacked the Bosnians. It is said that the Russians have lost 900 men and thirteen officers, and have asked for reinforcements from Adrianople.

In a violent gale on the Black sea, a Turkish corvette was lost, with ninety of the crew.

Pope Leo has issued his first encyclical, which is said to be generally moderate, but it reviews the protest of the late Pope against the absorption of the States of the Church by the Kingdom of Italy.

Prof. Heinrich Leo, the German historian, is dead.

A Constantinople dispatch states that Vassilis, the only son of the Secretary of State, has been appointed Secretary of the National Education Committee.

The President is reported to have informed an inquiring Congressman that, under the civil-service policy of the administration, any officer-holders of the Government who voluntarily choose to do so may contribute to political campaign funds, but he desires it to be understood that no officer or employee of the Government will incur any danger as to the honor of his office by refusing to do so.

Senator Barnum, of Connecticut, Chairman of the Democratic National Executive Campaign Committee, announces a meeting of the committee at Washington May 22. The committee, in his judgment, will not make any recommendation as to the Blair memorial, but will abide by the judgment of the House Judiciary Committee.

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House.—The House, after a long debate, concurred in the Senate amendment to the bill to repeal the Bankrupt law.... Mr. Schlesinger, from the Committee on Foreign Affairs, submitted a report that the bill, as amended, would not put border troubles, together with a bill in relation thereto, requesting the President to issue a proclamation to the effect that the 6,000 men to protect American citizens, and authorizing the crossing of the border by United States troops, should be sent to the frontier with Mexico as may secure an efficient protection to American citizens and property. Referring to the bill, Mr. Schlesinger said, "The bill introduced a joint resolution for a Committee to take into consideration the proper manner to be employed for taking the next census."

POLITICAL POINTS.

A Washington special to the Chicago Tribune says: "A dispatch has been received here that McLin, of the Florida Returning Board, has confessed that the State was carried for Hayes by fraud."

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