

THE FRANCO-TURKISH RIVALRY.

THE BOMBARDMENT OF SFAX CONTINUED—
MENACING ATTITUDE OF THE ARABS AT
GABES.

LONDON, July 13.—A dispatch from Tunis, dated last evening, says the bombardment of Sfax continues. A landing of troops has not yet been effected.

A Paris dispatch says: "M. Albert Grévy, Governor of Algeria, has written a letter to Gen. Saussier saying: 'I need not tell you how pleased I am at your return. You know how I regretted your departure. You will, therefore be heartily welcome.' The letter shows that Gov. Grévy has no idea of resigning."

A dispatch from Tunis says: "Owing to the menacing attitude of the Arabs at Gabes the Europeans there have taken refuge on board the shipping in port. Gabes is one of the towns which the French probably intend to occupy. The Arabs declare that they will resist its occupation."

Another Tunis dispatch mentions that threats have been made by fanatics to cut the aqueduct which is the only source of fresh water for Tunis and Goletta and says: "It is reported that Tripolitan tribes are marching to Sfax. The organizer of the Sfax outbreak has been to Tripoli, and was there created a Pasha by order of the Porte. He is now returning to Gabes to take the leadership of the revolt there."

PARIS, July 13.—The *République Française*, M. Gambetta's organ, scouts the Porte's explanation "that in sending troops to Tripoli its sole object was to maintain order," as flatly contradicted by all the news from Africa, and says: "Assim Pasha, the Turkish Minister of Foreign Affairs, must believe our Government ingenuous indeed, if he imagines it will rest satisfied with these assurances. The declarations of the Sultan's Ministers are an aggravation of the religious agitation in Africa fostered at Constantinople. A sufficient number of fanatics have already crossed the Mediterranean in Turkish men-of-war for the purpose of preaching a holy war against France. Not a single one more should be allowed to pass." It may be remarked that dispatches from Tunis point to the same tendency to attribute everything to Turkish intrigue.

PARIS, July 13.—An Oran correspondent says: "Reports are received here of incendiary fires and assassinations in various places in the district of the Tell, Algeria."

LONDON, July 14.—A dispatch from Tunis says: "News has been received here that an insurrection has broken out on the Island of Gerba, and that Europeans were attacked, but no trustworthy information is at hand."