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WOODFALL AND KINDER, PRINTERS, KILPOND LANK, STRAND, W.C. whisper of death. The Rongba, crouched with teeth chattering, was moaning, and his sudden shudders bespoke great pain. It seemed only common charity to let him have the blanket, which was in any case too small for both, so I wrapped it tightly round his head and body. He was doubled up with his chin on his knees. This small exertion was quite sufficient to make me lose the tug-of-war in which I was pulling against nature. Just like the subject who, under hypnotic influence, feels his own will and power suddenly going from him, so I felt the entire hopelessness of further struggle against the supernatural forces I was contending with. Falling backwards on the snow, I made a last desperate effort to gaze at the glittering stars . . . my sight became dim and obscured. . . .

For how long this semi-consciousness lasted, I do not "God! how ghastly! Doctor! Kachi!" I tried My voice seemed choked in my throat. Was what I saw before me real? The two men, as if frozen to death by the side of each other, seemed lying on that vast white sheet of snow, motionless as statues of ice. In my dream I attempted to raise them. They were quite rigid. knelt beside them, calling them and frantically striving to bring them back to consciousness and life. Bewildered, I turned round to look for Bijesing, and, as I did so, all sense of vitality seemed to freeze within me. I saw myself enclosed in a quickly contracting tomb of transparent It was easy to realise that I to would shortly be nothing but a solid block of ice, like my companions. legs, my arms were already congealed. Horror-stricken as I was at the approach of such a hopeless, ghastly death, my sensations were accompanied by a languor and lassitude indescribable but far from unpleasant. To some

PREFACE.

THE momentous events recently occurring in the East of Europe were the sequel and consequence of revolutions which have agitated that part of the world for several centuries. To thoroughly understand the facts now being accomplished from day to day, it is necessary to follow in its principal features, general results, and most important revolutions, the history of the formation, grandeur, and decadence of the Ottoman Empire. In tracing the historical development and ethnical peculiarities of the Turks, the author has endeavoured to give a clear idea of the institutions, manners, races, peoples, and religions of the Empire, composed of so many different elements; and also as far as practicable an accurate knowledge of the geography of those still imperfectly known countries. This last-named feature, it is hoped, will be of great service to geography as well as history, and of the utmost interest to all who follow with serious attention the progress of events affecting what in this country is broadly and generally known as the Eastern Question.

The statistics of the Ottoman Empire are derived from the most trustworthy sources. For these the Author has been greatly indebted to recent researches—notably those of M. Vladimir Jakschitj, Director of the Statistical Department of Servia, and of Mr. J. W. Redhouse, the well-known Turkish scholar, as also Herren Behm and Wagner.

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Chaireddin Barbarossa (Red-beard). admiral of Selyman's fleet; son of a Sipahi of Mitylene, devotes himself to piracy during the reign of Bajazet II.; enters the service of Mahommed, Sultan of Tunis; his piratical descents upon Chercell, Bougis and Algiers; makes himself master of the latter by assassinating the Moorish prince; does homage for his conquest to the Sultan, and receives from him the title of Beylerbey of Algiers, which port becomes a nest of corsairs; disperses a Spanish squadron and carries away from Andalusia 70,000 moors; captures two sail of Doria's fleet and burns eighteen vessels off Messina, 205; created Capudan-pacha; equips a formidable fleet of eightyfour ships, with which he sacks Reggio, Fondi, and other Italian strongholds; steers for Africa and takes possession of Tunis in the Sultan's name; Charles V. resolves to take Tunis, but Barbarossa, despairing of defending the town, risks an encounter in the open ; abandoned by his African auxiliaries is forced to flee; Tunis being pillaged by the conquerors, 30,000 inhabitants are massacred, and 50,000 Christian captives set free, 206; ravages the islands of the Archipelago and the Ægean, most of which fall to the Turks; then obtains a brilliant victory over a Christian fleet commanded by Andrea Doria, 213; captures Nice; his insolence at Toulon induces Francis L. to pay him 800,000 crowns to quit that harbour; again spreads terror and desolation along

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Dédé-Sultan (father and lord), a Turk of obscure birth, gives himself out as a prophet, and heads a revolt of dervishes near Smyrna, and goes about preaching equality, 108; mustering to the number of 10,000 strong at Mount Stylarios, they exterminate the first body of troops sent to disperse them; Dédé afterwards defeated in a sanguinary battle by Amurath, the Sultan's son, and put to the sword with all his adherents; this revolt involved an attempt of the Christian races to regain their independence, 104.

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Doris, Andres, the Genoese admiral of Charles V., seizes upon Coron, and excites the Greeks to revolt, 202; is compelled to put into Messins to escape from Barbarossa's fleet, 205.

Doroszensko, Hetman of the Cossacks, offers Mahomet IV. the suzerainty of the Ukraine; the Sultan gives him the investiture and title of Sandjak-Bey; that alliance causes war between the Porte and Poland, 844; during that war, the Hetman having offered his aid to the Porte, which, being rejected, out of pique or revenge, he submits himself, with all his people, to the protectorate of Russia; on hearing this, the Sultan draws from prison Georges Kiemielniski, son of an old Hetman, and nominates him in the place of Doroszensko, but the Cossacks refuse to recognize the authority of Kiemielniski; the Porte then invades Moldavia and Podolia, advances to besiege Cehryn, and the Tarters hurry up from the Crimea; the Coseacks and Russians, in order to hinder the junction of the two armies, fall upon the Tartars and cut them in pieces; the Turks, terrified, recross the Bug, 348.

Douschan, Stephen, the Servian conqueror and legislator, possesses by himself, or by his vaccals the whole of what was Turkey in Europe; causes himself to be crowned, at Uskoup, Emperor of the Romans and Triballes, and conceives the project of destroying the Empire of the East; the Serb Empire dismembered under his successor, Ouroach V., 68.

Duquesne, the French Admiral, bombards Chios to compel the Tripolitan corsairs to make their submission to France and deliver up the French slaves; the Porte demands a heavy sum of money in reparation of damages, and in default of which threatens the life of the Ambassador and of all the Franks, 860; Duquesne arrives in the Dardanelles with ten ships, and the dispute is adjusted by the Ambassador personally making the Sultan a present, 861.

Emir al Omara (or Chief of Chiefs) the, supersedes the office of Vizier in the Khalifate, and becomes the real

sovereign of the State.

Eugene, Prince of Savoy, in command of the Imperial army, after a series of skilful marches and countermarches, falls upon the Turks at the fords of the Theiss, near Zenta, and signally defeats them; 10,000 perish in the river, the Grand Vizier is slain, the Sultan, Mustapha II., takes flight, and the conquerors enter Bosnia, 877.

Ferdinand, Archduke of Austria (afterwards King of Hungary and Bohemia), brother of Charles V.; a French ambassador and his twelve attendants assassinated by the Pacha of Bosnia, with the privity, it is supposed, of Ferdinand, 187; claims the vacant throne of Hungary, 192; en-John counters a rival claimant, Zapoly, at Tokay, and defeats him; vainly endeavours to bring over the Sultan to his interests, who imprisons his envoys, 193 ; sends an embassy to Solyman, which, after enduring the insults of the Grand Vizier, leads to pothing, 197-99; awaits at Linz the succours of the German princes to defend Vienna against 300,000 Turks; the defence one of the most brilliant feats in the history of Germany, 197; the Sultan refuses to acknowledge Ferdinand either as King of Hungary or of Bohemia, but simply as lieutenant of Charles V., 199; tries the effect of a new embassy at Nissa, but his envoys undergo humiliations strikingly in contract with the magnificent reception of the French ambaseador, 200; concludes a peace with the Porte, the first made by the house of Austria with the Ottomans, 203.

Ferhad Bey, commander of the Turkish army, causes the sieges of · Tebriz and Tiflis to be raised; maintains a secret understanding with the Turcomans of the Persian army; fights the great battle of Grues, which lasts three days, ending in the defeat of the Persians, 267; invades Karabagh, takes Ghendjé, and converts it into a stronghold, 268.

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Feudal System, the Turkish; Mahomet II. introduces the old feudal usages of the Seljukian Empire, called the Timariot system; in some respects singularly parallel with the English feudal system; in conjunction with the tributes of Christian chiefdom, it mainly consolidated Turkish power in Europe; contrasted favourably in some points with the Western system, 155; the Turkish feudality military and territorial; the decline of cultivation, credit and population not essentially due to the feudal system, 156; the old system has passed away without the substitution of anything better, but with the aggravation of its worst elements,

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Foodor Ivanovitch, Czar of Russia, sends ambassadors with rich presents to Amurath III., 267.

Germigny, Baron de, ambassador of Henry III. (France) acquires great influence with the Divan; rescues numerous Frenchmen sold into slavery and obtains reparation for pillage committed by the Barbary corsairs; regulates the new coral fishery of the Marseilles adventurers upon the coast of Tunis; obtains the nomination of a Greek patriarch and a Voïvode of Wallachia in spite of the opposition of favourites; favours with his protection the affairs and subjects of the Pope, of the Emperor, of the Signory

of Venice, the Republic of Thagusa; the Gran Master of Malta, and the renewal of the pricing Make Holy Places of Januard and Singi to. Germany, however, the alliance and good-will of the Turks, foreaeeing the decadence of the Empire with no longer a Solyman to direct it, 259; presents a Memorial to the Sultan on the wrongs of his nation, which is sent back with a threatening reply; the closing of the churches brings his irritation to a climax; their reopening purchased by presents, 265-6.

Ghazan, King of the Mongols, dethrones Aladdin III., last of the Sel-

jukides, 52,

Gheral, Mohammed, Khan of the Crimes, withdraws his aid in spite of remonstrances from Osman Pacha in Daghestan; by his desertion, draws upon himself the displeasure of the Porte, is deposed, but offering resistance is taken with arms in hand and put to death; his brother Islam Gheral replacing him. 264.

Gratiani, Caspar, Vöivode of Moldavia, courts the favour of Sigismund III. of Poland by sending him intercepted letters addressed to Bethlem Gabor; is deposed on its discovery, but being assisted by the Poles with an army, he fights an obstinate battle near Jassy against Iskander Pacha; is defeated and perishes in the re-

treat, 296.

Greek Empire, the, its effete condition in the middle of the fifteenth century; Constantinople existing only by sufferance of the Turks until it yields to the arms of Mahomet II.; with its fall the curtain falls on the nations of antiquity, and the final establishment of the Turks in Europe forms the first great episode of Modern History, 123.

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Hamsa Bey, brother of Bajezid Pacha, causes the arch-rebel Djouneid, with all his family, to be strangled in prison, 108.

Harebone (or Harburn), ambassador of Queen Elizabeth (England), charged to demand from Amurath III. freedom of commerce for English ships in Ottoman waters; which is acceded to in spite of the opposition of the ambassadors of France and Venice, 260.

Haroun Al-Raschid, Khalife of Bagdad, his relations with Charlemagne; one of the three great names of the Eastern Khalifate, 23, 30.

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Haye, De la, son of the above, is promised by Ahmed Kupruli, the new Vizier, a fair reception as French ambassador in 1666; his haughty demeanour displeases Kupruli, who dismisses him with disdain and reproaches; De la Hay demands a fresh andience, which leads to another altercation during which the ambassador is struck, arrested and detained for three days; the affair is compromised by a third audience, when Kupruli overwhelms De la Haye with kind attentions, politeness and presents, 327; he labours secretly and meanly to maintain himself in office,

Henry II. (France) takes care to keep up friendly relations with the Porte, the alliance being almost solely directed to the interests of commerce and protection of Christians in the East, 224; his sons, guided by their astute mother, Catherine de' Medici, follow the policy of their grandfather, Francis I., 225.

Henry III. (France) deserting his throne of Poland to return to France, thus miscarries the sole chance of securing the accession of Poland to the Turco-French alliance, an accession that would not only have checked the aggrandisement of Austria, but hindered the rise of Russia, 256; an embassy from Amurath III. receives a magnificent reception; Henry's want of a navy compels him to send his ambassadors in a Venetian vessel, 259.

Hohenlohe, general of the Emperor Leopold L. (Germany), and Zriny, Ban of the Croats, seize upon Presnitz, Babosca, and Baris, and burn the town of Fünklirchen with more than 500 villages, 329.

than 500 villages, 329.

Holy League, the, an alliance between Pope Pius V., Philip II. of Spain, and the Venetians against Selim II., 248; another league against the Turks formed by Innocent XI. the Emperor Leopold, John Sobieski, the Czar Ivan Alexiowitech, and the Republic of Venice; the war proclaimed against Mahomet IV., called the Holy War, lasts till the peace of Carlowitz, 363.

Hunyade (or Hunniades), John Corvinus, surnamed the White Knight, Volvode of Transylvania, arrests the invasions of the Turks during 20 years; raised by his merits to command the Hungarian armies, Ladislas owed to him his throne; defends Hermanstadt against the Turks, kills 20,000, and drives the rest beyond the Danube, 110; and sends the heads of the Turkish generals to the Kral of Servia; achieves a victory at Vasagas as complete as the first against 80,000 Turks; his "long campaign" still more disastrons to the Ottomans. and Amurath is compelled to sue to him for peace; a truce of ten years places Servis and Wallachia under the suzerainty of Hungary, 111; joins a crusade with King Ladislas, Drakul, and a body of German and Italian adventurers with the design of destroying the Ottoman power; is defeated and put to flight by Amurath IL in the battle of Varna, 113; invades and ravages Servia, wages a terrible and unequal struggle for three days with Amurath at Kassova, but, betrayed by the Wallachians, is compelled to flee, 115; in the campaign of Mahomet II. against Servia, assists the Kral Georges to defeat the Turks, and obtains a truce, 129; Hunyade with an army throws himself into Belgrade besieged by the Sultan, destroys the Turkish flotilla and repulses every assault; at length a vigorous sortie throws the Ottoman camp into disorder and determines the raising of the siege; Mahomet II. withdraws wounded, leaving 24,000 dead and all his artillery; the saviours of the city only shortly survive their triumph; Hunyade succumbs at the end of fifteen days, 130.

Ibrahim Pacha, vizier of Solyman the Great, a Christian by birth, and son of a sailor of Parga; his education and mental qualities; becomes page and favourite of Solyman and afterwards first Vizier; his nomination angers Ahmed Pacha, who, rushing into open rebellion, is delivered up by the Arabs and put to death, 183; possesses the ring worn by Francis I. at Pavia, 167; is won over to the interests of King John Zapoly after the battle of Tokay, 198; appointed Seraskier, directs the siege of Vienna, 197; ordered to reduce Bagdad and bring back to obedience the Khan of Bidlis; receives the submission of places about Lake Van, and enters Tebriz without obstacle, 204; concludes an alliance with France which, under the form of a commercial treaty, was in fact a political leaguehis last policical act; wrings from the Bultan first the deposition and next the condemnation to death of the Defterdar Iskender Tohelebi, whose wealth and fame gave him umbrage; assumes the significant title of Scraskier-Sultan, at which presumption the offended Bultan orders him to be strangled, 211.

Thrahim I., youngest son of Achmet I. and brother of Amurath IV., humours the House of Austria, enjoins Rakoczy, Prince of Transylvania, to discontinue war against the Emperor and break with Sweden; recaptures Azof from the Cossacks; all his efforts directed against the Republic of

Venice; his son having been captured at sea and detained in Candia by the Venetian commander, the Sultan resolves to exterminate all the Christians in his States; confines the ambassadors to their houses, closes the offices of the Frank merchants, and lays an embargo on their ships, 810; directs a great expedition against Candia, the acquisition of which costs twenty-five years' fighting; the Turks fail before Candia and in their attacks on Dalmatia; the religious zeal of the Catholic world finds vent in cries for war against the infidels, 311; the vices of the Sultan rather than the courage of the Candians retard the capture of the city; the favourite Sultanas devour the revenues of the State and dispose at will of every appointment; the army weary of this shameful tyranny, the spirit of revolt is again aroused; the Janissaries depose Ibrahim, and the principal dignitaries cause him to be strangled, 812.

Ibrahim, Grand Vizier of Mahomet IV., succeeds Kara Mustapha; hesitates to accept the charge of governing the Empire amidst the perils threatening it on all sides, 359; arrests the march of the Imperialists by heroically defending Buda; orders Tekeli to be confined in the Seven Towers, 364.

Iskander Pacha, governor of Silistria, defeats a Polish army under Caspar Gratiani in a great battle near Jassy, 296.

Jews, the, occupy an important position in the Empire; monopolize most branches of commerce, 283.

John, son of Andronicus, succeeds to the throne of Constantinople on the abdication of Manuel; Bajazet I. reappears under the walls and haughtily orders the gates to be opened; Christian-like answer of the Byzantines; the Sultan is diverted from undertaking a second siege by the approach of Timour, 91; John, finding himself incapable of defending Constantinople against Amurath II. cedes it to the Venetians, 109.

John, Don, of Austria, the victory of Lepanto creates the reputation of,

Jurissich, Nicholas, at the head of only 700 men, inflicts a humiliating disgrace upon Solyman the Great, who is repulsed before the little town of Güns in eleven assaults and at length obliged to accept a capitulation, 201.

Jurked Pacha, governor of Amasia, makes himself master by treason of the most turbulent chiefs on the Oriental side of Diarbekir, and secures tranquillity upon that frontier, 108.

Kabilovitch Milosch, a noble Serb, assassinates Amurath I. during the battle of Kassova, and overtaken in

flight is cut in pieces, 82.

Kara Mustapha, the Kaimacan, succeeds his brother-in-law, Ahmed Kupruli, as grand vizier; maintains himself in power during seven years; the accession of that unworthy heir of the Kuprulis marks the beginning of the period of decadence; his pride and most scandalous ostentation; to meet his lavish expenditure needed enormous sums, which he procured by the most shameful means and cruel extortions; his venality; he sells governments, dignities, and justice, 347; manifests no more talent as a general than probity as an administrator; opposes the opening of negotiations with the victorious Russians and Cossacks, and takes command of an expedition against them; Cehryn only taken after a long and murderous siege; continually haracced by the Russians, the retreat of the Turks resembles a rout; they lose a great portion of their artillery and baggage; a peace at last concluded at Radzin, 348; resolves to openly aid the Hungarian malcontents under Count Emmerich Tekeli, who enters into a formal treaty with the Porte, and several conquests are effected; fixes the heavy conditions of a peace with Austria; takes command of a large but disorderly army transferred to him by the Sultan at Belgrade and talks of renewing the conquests of Solyman, 351; some prompt and easy successes exalt his ambition, and contrary to the advice of Tekeli and others, he resolves to besiege Vicuna; advances direct upon that capital and encamps under its walls, 352; through his dilatoriness the Duke of Lorraine throws 12,000 men into the city; he meets with a sturdy resistance, and, when on the point of delivering an amoult, a fresh army under John

Sobieski arrives to the succour of Vienna; Kara Mustapha opens the trenches but encounters an obstinate defence, 854; the King of Poland, the Elector of Bavaria and the Duke of Lorraine having joined forces, the Turks are put to flight on all sides, leaving 10,000 dead on the field, 855; seized with a panic, they abandon their camp and baggage, the booty amounting to 15,000,000 crowns, 856; campaign terminated by the capture of Gran, which had been almost a century and a half in the hands of the Turks, 358; Mahomet IV. enraged at these reverses, causes Kara Mustapha to be beheaded at Belgrade, and his head taken to the Sultan on a milver dish, 859.

Kasim Boy, last of the princes of Karaman, joins Prince Djem in besieging Konieh; makes submission to Bajazet II., and all Karamania is

pacified, 161.

Kasim Pacha, replaces Ahmed Pacha, put to death as a rebel in the govern-

ment of Egypt, 183.

Ratzianer, general of Ferdinand of Austria, his disastrous defeat by the Ottoman cavalry; is thrown into prison at Vienna; makes his escape, essays to sell himself to the Turks but perishes by assassination before he could consummate his treason, 214,

Reduk Ahmed, conqueror of Kaffa and Otranto, compels Prince Djem to raise the siege of Konieh; but rendering himself edious to Bajazet II. alike by his pride and popularity, is put to death, 161.

Kiemielniaki, George, son of an old Hetman of the Cossacka, is drawn from prison by Mahomet IV, and nominated in the place of Doroszensko, but the Cossacks refuse to recognize his authority; joins in the attack on Cehryn, taken only after a long and sanguinary siege, 348.

Kinis, Paul, Count of Temesvar, long a terror to the Turks inflicts upon them a memorable defeat near

Kenger-Mees, 146.

Konigsmark, Count, a Swede, commands a large force of Germans in the Venetian army in the Holy War against the Turka, 863.

Koran, the, intended at first only for Arabia, Mahomet's native country, 7; Mussulman society springs from it in its entirety, 8; its dogmas and precepts, 9-10; its errors, 11; the

triple error contained in its code the ruin of all the Empires that Islam has successively raised, 15.

Kruppa, battle of, the Imperialists defeated in the, their heads sent to Constantinople, where the Austrian ambassador is compelled to redeem them from the hands of the execu-

tioner, 257.

Kupruli, Mahommed, Grand Vizier of Mahomet IV., situation of the Empire on his being raised to that post, 317; takes offence at not receiving the customary visit and presents from the French ambassador De la Haye, and a serious rupture is the result; becomes infuriated by a correspondence in cipher intercepted by a renegade, which discloses the secret assistance given by France to the Venetians; orders the ambassador's son, on his refusal to decipher the letters, to be maltreated, 318; and afterwards thrown into a dungeon; detains De la Haye at Adrianople under strict watch until after his return from the war in Transylvania; anxious to prevent a rupture, Mazarin sends an envoy with a letter from Louis XIV.; Kupruli receives him superciliously and threatens to send away De la Haye ignominiously; the envoy returns with his letters; Mazarin recalls De la Haye, 319; Mazarin and Kupruli both die in the same year; a comparison between the two ministers, who both exercised a veritable tutelage over their sovereigns' and raised up again the States they governed; Kupruli's death-bed advice to the Sultan; Mahomet's last request to his Grand Vizier, 820.

Kupruli, Ahmed, son of Kupruli Mahommed, inherits the functions and authority of his father, who bequeaths to him the termination of two wars; Venice and Austria in vain open negotiations; Ahmed crosses the Danube, lays siege to Neuhœusel, 320, and captures that stronghold, the bulwark of Hungary, and which entails the submission of the adjacent fortresses, 821; the menacing tide of Mussulman invasion arrested by the celebrated Montecuculli, who defeats the Turks in the battle of St. Gothard, and throws them into a disorderly flight, in which nearly 25,000 were slain or drowned in the Reab, 822; a treaty concluded at Vasvar for a twenty years' truce, 828; after an at-

tempt to relieve Candia with a large French force under the Duke de Navailles, the garrison is compelled to capitulate, 331; Kupruli shares in the glory of this success and the Sultan lavishes upon him the most signal proofs of his favour, 332; the Vizier's haughty treatment of the French ambassador Nointel so enrages Louis XIV. that a fleet is prepared to obtain by force a renewal of the alliance; Kupruli relents, and negotiations are recommenced but broken off several times, until the Great King. threatening the Turks with his ven-geance, the Divan greatly alarmed, causes the capitulations to be drawn up even upon the memoranda of Nointel, 839; the Empire under the administration of Kupruli having regained the summit of its power, he dies a few days after signing the Treaty of Daoud, which closed the war between Poland and Turkey, having borne during fifteen years the heaviest burthen of government; after Sokolli the first among the ministers who have directed the Ottoman Empire, 846.

Kupruli, Mustapha, the Virtuous, on his appointment as Grand Vizier. shows himself worthy of the illustrious name he bears, 871; infuses vigour into the government, reforms abuses. regulates anew the taxation and restores the finances; having secured payment of the troops, very soon raises an army more numerous than those which his predecessors had collected. by dints of threats and severity; treats the Christian subjects with much humanity and grants them permission to rebuild their ancient churches; the first statesman in Turkey who had laid down the principle of free trade and the suppression of all prohibitive measures, 878; his amenity has the effect of causing the Greeks to abandon the party of the Venetians, 874; with the assistance of Tekeli, the Turks recover almost all they had previously lost; Belgrade retaken, to the great alarm of the Viennese, and divisions push on to Temesvar, Waradin and even into Transylvania ; but next year Kupruli is completely defeated by Louis of Baden at Salan Kemen and slain, 375.

Kupruli, Hussein, surnamed the Wiss, nephew of Kupruli Mahommed, summoned to save the Empire in great peril when Mustapha II. gives him the seals; by clever expedients provides for the most pressing needs, and the army succeeds in driving the Austrians across the Save, 877.

Khodabende, Shah of Persia, father of the great Shah Abbas, compelled by his son to abdicate, 268.

Ladislas, King of Poland, owes the throne of Hungary to the heroic Hunyade, 110; summoned by Cardinal Cesarini to tear up the treaty which placed Servia and Wallachia under the suzerainty of Hungary; enters upon a crusade to destroy the Ottoman power; after devastating Bulgaria and besieging Varna, is slain by a Janissary in the battle of Varna, 118.

Lala Mustapha, former preceptor of Prince Bajazet, becomes confident of his younger brother Selim and grandmaster of his Court; plots to effect the ruin of the elder brother; undertakes to put arms into Bajazet's hands, and provokes him to send Selim an insulting letter, together with a distaff and female vestments, 228; Solyman irritated, threatens Bajazet with disgrace, who takes up arms, but being conquered, flees into Persia; his extradition being demanded, the Shah remits him to the agents of Selim, who murder him with his five sons, thus securing the throne to Selim, who becomes sole heir of Solyman the Great, 229.

Leopold I. Emperor of Germany; after the memorable victory of St. Gothard, won by Montecuculli over the Turks, the Imperial cabinet, instead of pursuing that advantage which opened the road to most extensive conquests, surprises all Europe by making peace with the Porte, a treaty for a twenty years' truce being concluded a few days after at Vasvar; the Emperor abandons to the Turks all their conquests, and withdraws his support from Bakoczy and Kemeni, thus abandoning Transylvania to Apary, the nomines of the Porte, and makes the Sultan a present of 200,000 florins, 323; through the fanatical persecution of Protestantism by Leopold a conspiracy is formed by certain Hungarian leaders, headed by Count Tekeli ; the Imperial forces are defeated and several towns captured, and the Austrian Generals, Wurmb and Leslie, compelled to accept the truce he offers, 350; on Kara Mustapha besieging Vienna, Leopold, with his Court, flees to Linz, 252; after the relief of Vienna by King John Sobieski and the Duke of Lorraine, the Emperor instead of expressing his thanks and gratitude, receives those commanders with haughty and repulsive coldness, 358; joins the Holy League against the Turks, 359; places Prince Eugene at the head of his army, who signally defeate the Turks near Zenta, 377.

Lionne, Minister of Louis XIV. "his letter upon the advances made by that king, to the League of the Rhine against the Turks," 821.

Louis of Baden, Margrave, with an Imperialist army, overruns great part of Bosnia, 369; after the successful campaign of 1669 against the Turks, he advises continuance of the war, and carries it from Bosnia into Servia; inflicts several severe defeats upon the infidels; occupies the passes of the Balkans from the borders of Roumelia to the Herzegovina, and captures all the Danube fortresses from Widdin to Nicopolis; opposes a Turkish army of more than double the number of his own, and completely defeats them near Salankemen, in which battle Mustapha Kupruli is slain, 875.

Louis XIV. (France) having captured Straebourg, all Europe is in alarm, thinking that France and the Porte are agreed upon the conquest and dismemberment of Germany, 852; advises the Divan to continue the war against Auskria, but the Porte, dissatisfied with the French King, listens to the solicitations of the Prince of Orange, and accepts the mediation of England and Holland, which brings about the Peace of Carlowitz, 378.

Loredano, the Venetian commander, delivers Lepanto from the Turks with his fleet, 106.

Lorraine, Charles Duke of, leads skilfully the army of the Emperor Leopold against the Turks at the siege of Vienna, 352; takes advantage of the dilatoriness of the infidels to throw 12,000 men into the city, 353; joined by Sobieski, they attack and put to flight the innumerable squadrons of Turkish cavalry, 355; with the aid of Sobieski, inficts another signal defeat upon the Turks at Parkany, 358; invades Hungary, seizes upon Wissegrad and Wattzen, as the

result of a brilliant victory Pesth capitulates; defeats the Seraakier Suleiman Pacha before Buda; besieges Neuhœusel and carries it by assault; raises the blockade of Gran, 364; takes Buda by assault, which had been during forty-five years in the hands of the Osmanli, 365; completely defeats the Turks in the battle of Mohacs, who lose 20,000 men, artillery and baggage; the reduction of Transylvania completes the measure of the Duke's glory and the discouragement of the Turks, 366.

Mahmud of Ghizni, the mighty destroyer, his alarm at the progress of the Turks, 32.

Mahomet announces himself as sent from God to explain the laws of Moses and of Christ, 7; the character of Islamism, 9; at first preaches his doctrine at Mecca; is persecuted, condemned to death, and takes refuge in Medina, 15; his rejection by Khosroes, 29; his tribe and family obtain the sovereignty of Mecca and the guardianship of the Caaba, and a series of events is set in motion in the heart of Arabia of a most stupendous nature, 28; he dies at the moment when he was preparing to enter Syria

at the head of an army, 16.

Mahomet I., Sultan, son of Bajazet, established himself at Amasia, 98; struggles with his brother Mousa for ascendancy in Asia; aids the Emperor Manuel to defend Constantinople, 99; advances against Mousa, who, after sustaining four defeats, disappears and lives awhile in obscurity, 100; becomes, by the death of his brothers, undisputed Sultan and sole master of the empire; re-establishes order and peace interiorly after twelve years of anarchy and civil war; in eight years of sway succeeds in effacing the traces of misrule left in the empire; his policy of peace; restores to the Greek Emperor the places Mousa had torn from him; renews the commercial treaty with the Venetians, and frees the princes of Wallachia and Servia from all tribute; represses the revolts of Prince Karaman and Djoune'd in Asia, and forces them to sue for pardon and peace; despatches an expedition against the Duke of Naxos, Lord of the Cyclades—whence springs the first hostilities between Venice

and the Ottomans, 102; that war promptly terminated by a treaty ratified at Venice by a Turkish ambassador—the first who had appeared in Christendom; revolt of the Smyrna dervishes crushed by a sanguinary battle near Ephesus by Amurath, son of Mahomet, and Bajezid Pacha, 103.4; the Sultan dies of apoplexy at Gallipoli; his death kept secret, and the mutinous Janissaries, deceived by a trick, defile before his corpse, and permit the peaceful accession of his heir, 105.

Mahomet II., son of Amurath II., receives on his accession an embassy from the Greek Emperor, to whom he testifies his pacific intentions, and renews existing treaties with his Christian allies; concludes a truce with Hunyade, and crosses over into Asia to make war upon the Prince of Karaman; on a threat from Constantine of setting Solyman's grandson, his captive, at liberty, the young Sultan determines to make an end of Constantinople; returns to Europe, and, to starve out the city, builds a formidable fortress on the Bosphorus; the Emperor, terrified, sends a humble embassy, offering to pay tribute, and entreating that the country around may be spared; in answer, the Sultan orders his sipahis to feed their horses on the crops of the Greeks, through which a quarrel arises which proves the beginning of war, 116; his ardour and restlessness in making preparations for the siege prevent him from sleeping, 117; the Genoese of Galata treacherously enter into a treaty with the Sultan; he invests Constantinople by land with 200,000 Osmanli, but at first little progress is made, 119; the Sultan witnesses the disgraceful defeat of his fleet, and revenges the affront on the admiral, who is bastinadoed, deprived of his possessions and exiled ; singular project of conveying his vessels overland, 120; he promises life and liberty to the besieged if the city capitulated, to the Emperor peaceful possession of the Morea, but his offers are rejected; orders a general assault, 121; and takes the city by a stratagem, 122; inaugurates the reign of Islam in his new capital; exposes the head of the Emperor Constantine upon the square of the Augusteon, 125; puts 2,000 inhabitants to the

sword and has many thousands sold into slavery; supplies the vacancy thus created by a Turkish population: celebrates his triumph by orgies and bloody executions, 126; in the consolidation of his empire is guided by politic and enlightened counsels; his renewal of the Greek patriarchate gives rise to the population of Greek nobles called Phanariots; drafts families from Servia, the Morea. Genoese colonies, Trebizonde, Sinope, and Adrianople to repeople the capital; confiscates the lands of the great Greek families, and transforms them into timars, 128; the rapid development of Ottoman power the work of less than thirty years; Greece, Wallschia, Servia, Bosnia, Albania, the Crimea, and principal isles of the Archipelago, completely subjected; the Turkish Empire very nearly at-tains its definitive limits in Europe; punishes his Vizier, Khalil Pacha, convicted of connivance with the Greeks, with death; makes war upon Servia, seizes upon Ostrowitz, but miscarries before Semendria; his army defeated by the Kral Georges, assisted by Hunyade, who obtain a truce; recommences the war and benieges Belgrade, 129; is wounded and raises the siege, leaving his dead and all his artillery under the walls; the conquest of Servia is completed, and it is reduced to a province of the Ottoman Empire, 130; the subjection of Greece consummated; the Morea frightfully devastated, its inhabitants pitilessly massacred, and the Turks rule undividedly all the Greek peninsula, and put the isles of the Archipelago to ransom, 131; Scanderbeg having defeated successively three armies, the Sultan offers him peace, and leaves him in tranquil possession of Epirus and Albania; expedition against Trebizonde and Sinope, 182; the Comnenes made prisoners and put to death; the Empress Helena, having witnessed the massacre of her children, dies from grief and misery, 133; attempts the reduction of Bosnia and Wallachia, and overruns the Herzegovina; disguised as a monk, enters Bosnia to inspect the fortresses, is discovered, brought before King Stephen, and honourably dismissed; tries to get rid of his enemy Wlad by cunning, who seizes the Sultan's envoys and empales them;

exasperated at this, reascends the Danube, takes Kilia and Brails, and pursues Wlad, who surprises the Sultan's camp and nearly takes him prisoner; next, directs his march upon Bucharest, and is horror-stricken at the sight of 20,000 Turks and Bulgarians empaled by Wlad on the plain of Prælatu, 135 ; Jaicza captured, and all Bosnia falls to the Turks; definitively unites Wallachia to the Empire by establishing Radul, brother of Wlad, in his stead, 186; marches against Albania, but compelled by Scanderbeg to retire; Venice menaced by the Osmanli, 189; conquers Karamania, deposes the Grand Vizier Mahmoud and causes him to be put to death, 141; Croatia, Carniola, and Styria, invaded and ravaged by savage bands of Turks, 142; seeking to com-pel Stephen IV. of Moldavia to pay tribute, an Ottoman army of 100,000 thoroughly routed by 40,000 Moldavians; the Crimea conquered and Mengli Sherai installed there as the Sultan's vassal and tributary, 148; Stephen IV. draws the Turkish army into the forest of Roboeni and thoroughly routs it with the loss of 80,000 men, 144; an attempt on Croïa repulsed, and Lepanto being delivered by Loredano, a treaty made with Venice, 145; after dreadful ravages in Slavonia, Hungary, and Transylvania, the Turks sustain a memorable defeat at Kenger-Mess; three of the Lonian islands wrested from the despot of Arta, 146; an attempt to take Rhodes by surprise, repulsed by Pierre d'Aubusson, 147; death, character, and institutions of Mahomet II., 148.

Mahomet III., son of Amurath III. by the Sultana Baffa, the Venetian, the last heir of the Turkish throne who enjoyed before accession an independent government; his accession marked by the most horrible appli-cation of the fratricidal law of Mahomet IL; he orders his nineteen brothers to be strangled; the first campaign highly unfavourable to the Turks; Sinan, the Grand Vizier, attempting to gain possession of Wallachia, is driven back with great slaughter by Michael the Brace, 273; war in Hungary; treatment of the Christians by the viziers, 275 : Michael the Brave, 276; relations of Mahomet III. with France, 277-279; the two next campaigns highly adverse to the

Turks; the operations of the Seraskier Saturdschi so unfortunate as to cost him his dismissal and his life; the war carried on feebly for six years longer with varying success, 279; even the death of the Sultan had little effect upon it; Mahomet II. is quietly succeeded by his son, Achmet L, then scarcely seven years of age, 280.

Mahomet IV., son of the Sultan Torahim, succeeds him when scarcely seven years old; at first the State is governed by the women and eunuchs. who fill up the highest posts at their pleasure; his long reign may be divided into three periods—the first, filled with seditions and reverses; in the second, Ahmed Kupruli re-establishes the affairs of the Empire; in the third troubles recommence, and the Ottoman power, shaken within and without, totters to its decline; after the murder of Ibrahim, the Porte experiences anew the domination of the soldiery; the Janissaries at first suppress an insurrection of Itchoglans and Sipahis, but make the young Sultan pay dearly for their guardianship; during the war against Venice they compromise the honour of the Crescent by revolts in presence even of the enemy; they refuse to continue the siege of Candia; another sedition costs the life of the Sultan's grandfather; irritated at the delay in the payment of their arrears, 318; they call for death to the members of the Divan; the Sultan obeys, delivers to the executioner his dearest servants, and the whole administration is overthrown; the Grand Vizier next deposed; revolts break out in the Asiatic provinces; the governor of Anatolia is overcome and slain by the rebels; so long as internal anarchy prevails, the Sultan obtains no advantage without the realm; Admiral Moncenigo obtains a complete victory over the Turkish fleet, and, by a strict blockade of the Hellespont, Constantinople is almost famished; Mahommed Kupruli made Grand Vizier, restores order and discipline; suppresses a military mutiny by capital punishments, and hanga the Greek patriarch accused of treason; the war against the Venetians vigorously resumed; the isles of Tenedos and Lemnos reconquered, but these successes are balanced by a victory obtained by the Republic near

Milo, 314; diplomatic rupture with France caused by De la Haye, the ambassador, giving offence to the new Vizier, Kupruli, 317; certain despatches from the Venetians to the Ambassador having been delivered up to the Vizier by a renegade, Kupruli orders De la Have to repair to Adrianople; the latter being ill is represented by his son, 318; who on refusing to decipher the despatches. is maltreated and thrown into a dungeon, whilst the secretaries and interpreters of the embassy are menaced with torments and even death; on Mazarin demanding amends and the dismissal of the Vizier, Kupruli receives the envoy superciliously and threatens to send away De la Haye ignominiously; the rupture seems complete, but Mazarin refusing to involve himself in an impolitic struggle with Turkey, recalls De la Haye, 319; the Sultan, having remonstrated in vain with the King of Poland against his invasion of the Ukraine, declares war against him, and, in conjunction with the Tartars of the Crimea, besieges and captures Kaminico and Lemberg; the king sues for peace, but only obtains it by the disgraceful conditions of the treaty of Bucsacs; the Poles refusing to ratify the treaty, the Sultan at the head of his army retakes the way to Poland, but is defeated at Choczim by Sobieski, 845; the Tartar Khan serving as a mediator between Sobieski and the Sultan, a treaty is. signed at Daoud, 346; a war disastrous to the Porte waged with the Russians for five years is terminated by the treaty of Radzin, 348; a formal treaty entered into with Tekeli, and several conquests effected against the Austrians, 850; the Sultan having marched with a large army to Belgrade, there transfers it to Kara Mustapha, who rashly resolves to besiege Vienna. 351; the Turks encounter a signal defeat, flee in disorder, abandoning their camp and baggage, and a booty estimated at fifteen million crowns, 856; the Sultan enraged at a succession of reverses causes Kara Mus. tapha to be beheaded; the league against the Turks, called the Holy War, ensues, lasting till the Peace of Carlowitz, 359; fresh reverses in Hungary, and Buda taken by the Duke of Lorraine, 864-5; Athens be-

sieged and its Acropolis partially destroyed by explosion of the Turkish powder magazine, 365; the Vizier, Suleiman Pasha, defeated by the Christian army near Mohacs with a loss of 20,000 men, with their artillery and baggage, and the reduction of Transylvania completes the measure of the Duke of Lorraine's glory and the discouragement of the Turks, 366: after the unfortunate Hungarian expedition, the Janissaries and Sipahis mutiny against the Grand Vizier, who is summoned to give up the standard and seals; to escape that outburst he flees secretly to Peterwardein and thence to Belgrade; the soldiers elect a Grand Vizier and address a solemn petition against Suleiman: Mahomet terrified, grants their demands, and sends them the head of his old minister; but the soldiery could no longer be stopped; they march upon Constantinople and depose the Sultan himself; he is confined in the Seraglio, whence they draw forth his brother Soliman to succeed him; Mahomet IV. dies disregarded five years afterwards, 367.

Malek-Adhel, Sultan of Cairo, reunites under his domination the inheritances of the sons of Saladin, the valorous Sultan of Egypt and chivalrous foe of Richard Caur de Lion, 38.

Malek Shah, son of Alp Arslan, the Seljukian Empire attains its highest pitch of splendour under him; it falls to pieces at his death, 35, 36.

Mameluke dynasty, the, established in Egypt since the middle of the thirteenth century, assailed by Selim I., and defeated after a sanguinary struggle, lasting three days and nights, from street to street in Cairo; almost all are massacred, and with them 30,000 of the inhabitants; the last Mameluke Sultan, Touman Bey, hanged at the gate of Cairo, 175.

Mangou, the great Khan of the Mongols, fourth successor of Zinghis, is converted to Christianity by the prayers and entreaties of the King of Armenia; occupies himself with destroying the sect of the Assasius, which had made the western princes tremble during two centuries, 40; tracked to their retreats, their last chief comes to surrender himself into the hands of Mangou, 41.

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Mazarin, Jules, Prime Minister of Louis XIV., his wily policy slike to-wards the Turks and Venetians; but is unwilling that the Turks should dominate the Mediterranean by the possession of Candia; sends an ambassador extraordinary to offer the Divan the mediation of France, which is haughtily rejected; offers to the Venetians the co-operation of the French navy on such conditions that the Senate refuses the offer; sends to Venice a subsidy of 10,000 crowns, but secretly, and in his own name; sends nine ships to fight under the Venetian flag, 311; and allows more than 50,000 soldiers to be recruited in France, and accept the pay of Venice, 312; anxious to prevent a diplomatic rupture arising out of the misunderstanding between the Vizier and the

French ambassador, sends a letter from Louis XIV., demanding amends and the dismissal of Kupruli; the envoy, received superciliously, is unable to obtain an audience of the Sultan, and returns with his letters; Mazarin recalls De la Haye, and entrusts the affairs of France at Constantinople to Roboly, a merchant, who remains in charge till 1665; urged by England, Holland and Austria to declare war, he refuses to involve himself in an impolitic struggle with Turkey, but sends 4,000 Frenchmen_to Candia, and prepares to aid the Emperor against the Ottomans, 819; a comparison of Mazarin with Kupruli, 320.

Mengli Sherai, son of Devlet, installed Khan of the Crimea by Mahomet II. as his vassal and tributary,

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Michael, King of Poland, invades the Ukraine to hinder the Cossacks throwing themselves into the arms of the Osmanli; refusing to obey the mandate of Mahomet IV., the Sultan, in conjunction with the Tartars of the Crimea, besieges Kaminiec, which capitulates, and Lemberg being taken also, Michael sues for peace, and obtains it by the disgraceful treaty of Bucsacs, 345.

Miridites, the, with the Archbishop of Durazzo, head a conspiracy against

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Mirza Mahömet, grandson of Timour, pillages and destroys Broussa, Nicas and other places in Asia Minor, 98.

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Montassem, third son of Haroun-Al-Raschid, and twenty-seventh Khalife of Bagdad, forms a body-guard of Turkish mercenaries; his policy fatally erroneous, as they despise the feebleness of the Khalifate, whilst they grasp at its riches; retires in disgust from Bagdad and founds Sa-

mara; becomes the chief agent in the destruction of the Khalifate, 30-1.

Montecuculli, commander-in-chief of the army of Leopold I. (Germany), succeeds Count de Strozzi in Hungary, and arrests the tide of Mussulman invasion; defeats the Turks in the memorable battle of St. Gothard, in which they are utterly routed, and nearly 25,000 of them slain or drowned in the Raab, 322.

Morosini, governor of Candia, refuses to allow a band of volunteers under command of the Duke de la Feuillade to make a sortie, the garrison being exhausted, 329; on the departure of the French under the Duke de Navailles, Candia being no longer defendable, Morosini capitulates, and signs a peace with the Turks, 331.

Mousa, son of Bajazet I., establishes himself at Broussa, 99; struggles with Mahomet for ascendency in Asia, and with his brother Solyman in Europe; is defeated, but with a recruited army is welcomed at Adrianople, and on the flight and death of Solyman, takes possession of the throne, 100; effects some conquests in the Byzantine dominions, and lays siege to Constantinople; compelled to raise the siege, and, Mahomet having advanced against him, he sustains a total defeat, and dies in a marsh during his flight, 101.

Murad Pacha, by his indomitable energy, succeeds in terminating a long and murderous struggle against Persia, allied with numerous Asiatic populations, and gains thereby the surname

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Mustapha, a pretender to the throne, giving himself out to be the fourth son of Bajazet I., supported by Marces Voïvode of Wallachia and Djouneïd, invades Thessaly, 104; is overcome near Thessalonica and kept prisoner by the Emperor Manuel; on the accession of Amurath II. is released and incited by Manuel to rebel against that Sultan, 105; at the head of a Greek army takes Gallipoli, and thence, accompanied by Djouneid, marches upon Adrianople; is confronted by Bajezid Pacha, Amurath's general, whose troops all pass over to the pretender's side and massacre Bajezid; crosses the straits to encounter the forces of Amurath; deserted by Djounerd and his army, he flees to Lampsacus and thence to Gallipoli;

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is pursued by Amurath and defeated; flees to Adrianople, where he robs the treasury and resumes his flight towards Wallachia; is seized upon by his followers, brought back to Adrianople, and hanged upon a tower of that city by Amurath II., 106.

Mustapha Pacha, his rivalry with Sinan Pacha for the Vizierate; on the seals being given by Amurath III. to Sinan, he dies some days after, either

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Nacouh Pacha dares propose to Achmet I. to purchase the Vizierate; points out to him the general demoralisation of the public service, 298.

Navailles, Duke de, attempts to relieve Candia with a large French force, but fails, and the garrison is

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Marc Antonio Bragadino, and repulses six assaults; want of munitions compels him at length to capitulate; the Turks shamefully violate the capitulation, the valiant Bragadino being flayed alive and quartered by Mustapha; these atrocities provoke an alliance against the Sultan called the Holy League, concluded between Pope Pius V., Philip II. of Spain, the Venetians and one or two minor powers, 248; the Christians of the League attack the Osmanli fleet near Lepanto, and deteat the Turks with terrible loss of men and ships; the most signal disas-ter that had yet befallen the Ottoman arms, 249-50; a peace being finally concluded, Venice surrenders Cyprus, and consents to pay a double tribute for Zante, 253; a naval force leaves Constantinople to snatch Tunis from the grasp of the Spaniards, which is taken by assault, 254 : this expedition is the last important act of Selim's reign, who dies from the effect of a debauch; towards the close of this reign begin the first disputes of the Porte with Russia, 255.

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Sigismond, King of Hungary, aided by French and German allies, besieges Nicopolis with a view of crushing the rising Ottoman Empire, but is defeated by Bajazzt I.; escapes in the

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Sigismond Bathory, Prince of Transylvania, is defeated with the Archduke Maximilian by the Turks at Keresztes in a battle which lasts three days, an event which creates the greatest alarm throughout Europe, 275.

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Sobieski, John, King of Poland; the Poles refusing to ratify the treaty of Bucsacs, or become tributary to the Porte, Mahomet IV. again invades Poland; Sobieski, General of the Republic, crosses the Dniester, and seconded by the Wallachians and Moldavians, defeats the Ottomans at Choczim, and pursues them as far as the Gates of Kaminiec; Michael, King of Poland, dying at that moment, Sobieski receives the reward for his services to the Republic and Christianity by the Diet proclaiming him King, 845; the Turks proving a second time successful against Kaminiec, France in vain attempts to negotiate a peace; the Tartar Khan then serves as a mediator, and a treaty is signed at Daoud, by which Kaminiec, Podolia, and the Ukraine remain to the Porte, except some towns, 846; Sobieski, at the head of a valiant army, aids the Emperor Leopold at the siege of Vienna by the Turks; heading a charge, is carried too far, and nearly overwhelmed by numbers but puts the enemy to flight on all sides, 855; inflicts upon them another signal defeat at Parkany, and ends the campaign by the capture of Gran. held almost a century and a half by the Ottomans, 858.

Sokolli, Vizier of Selim the Drunkard, preserves the traditions of the reign of Solyman the Great, and maintains the dignity of the Empire in its foreign relations, 242; after the battle of Lepanto repairs the losses of the Ottoman marine with marvellous promptitude, 252; his authority restrained unfortunately by Amurat III., 255; the Sultan's favourites withe Vizier's ruin; his nephew M

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Sollman, kinsman of Malek Shah, conquers Asia Minor from the Greeks; forms an alliance with one of the two Greek competitors for the Byzantine throne, helps to set him on the throne, and rewards himself by taking possession of all the Greek provinces of Asia; by his Mahommedan zeal earns the title of Gasi, the Holy Champion; attempting to free himself from the suzerainty of the Seljukides is overcome and slain, 36.

Solyman, son of Orchan, captures a fortress in Thrace, and the Turks first obtain a permanent footing in Europe, 65; fixes his residence at Gallipoli, and extends his conqueste until arrested by a fatal accident, 66.

Solyman, son of Bajazet I., establishes himself at Adrianople; enters into an alliance with the Emperor Manuel, and surrenders to him a portion of the Ottoman conquests in Europe, 99; takes the title of Sultan in Asia, and enters upon a long and desperate rivalry with his brother Mahomet ; attacked in his own states by the allied Princes of Servia and Wallachia, is constrained to abandon Asia; whilst Solyman gives himself up in the Seraglio of Adrianople to his sensual proclivities, Mouse appears suddenly at the gates of that city with his recruited army; that pressing danger cannot tear Solyman from his inaction, 100; his emirs, indignant, abandon him; he is con-strained to flee, and is slain on the road to Constantinople by the peasants, 101.

Solyman, the Great, son of Selim I., his first acts show his love of justice and his generosity; one revolt alone troubles the commencement of his reign—that of Djanberdi, who is, after causing the massacre of 5,000 Janisaries, defeated, given up by his followers and put to death; hostilities resumed with Hungary; the garrison of Czabacz makes an heroic resistance, but is exterminated, and Solyman enters the town between two ranges of

heads stuck upon stakes; next presser operations against Belgrade, which shattered by his artillery, capitulates after repulsing more than twenty assaults; it becomes thenceforth the strongest bulwark of the Empire; having regained his capital receives the ambassadors and felicitations of the Grand Duke of Russia and other princes; peace renewed with the Venetians and a commercial treaty concluded with them; resumes the projects of his father against Rhodes by besieging that island, 180; after several assaults, repulsed with heroic obstinacy by the knights; stimulated by the example of the aged Grand Master, the Turks retreat with loss of 15,000 men; after two months more of continual fighting, the Sultan offers the knights a capitulation, but the Janussaries treacherously seize upon and pillage the town; Solyman gives the Grand Master an honourable reception, and the knights find a refuge in Malta, which Charles V. cedes to them, 182; the Grand Vizier, Piri Pacha, deposed, and his post given to Sultan's favourite, Ibrahim Pacha; chagrined at this nomination, Ahmed Pacha throws himself into open rebellion, and assumes the title of Sultan of Egypt; an army of 30,000 Janissaries being sent against him, he is betrayed by one of his viziers, delivered up by the Arabs and put to death, 183; the Janissaries revolt through long inaction, but are appeased and punished by the Sultan, 184; new policy of France towards the Ottoman Empire, 185; a French embassy intercepted by the Sandjak of Bosnia, and the ambassador murdered, together with his twelve attendants, with the supposed privity of Ferdinand of Austria, 187; Solyman makes preparations for invading Hungary, and concludes an armistice with the King of Poland; an alliance contracted between France and the Porte, 189; Francis I. presses Solyman to invade Hungary, to which the Sultan assents; anarchy in Hungary, 190; Solyman captures Peterwardein; is confronted by the young King Louis at Mohacz with greatly inferior forces, who is defeated and perishes in the river marshes; this battle has great influence over the destinies of Europe; the Sultan receives at Fældwald the keys of Buda;

Wissegrad and Gran successfully resist, and the Hungarian entrenched . camp costs the Turks more men than did the battle of Mohacz, 191; the number of Hungarians massacred in this campaign computed at 200,000; after promising them John Zapoly for their king, the Sultan, laden with booty, retakes the way to his capital; the Turcomans of Cilicia revolt on account of the brutalities and exactions of the Turkish agents; the war continues in Hungary, and the submission of Croatia, Slavonia, and Dalmatia effected, 192; Zapoly, defeated by Ferdinand of Austria, implores succour of the Porte, and receives a formal promise from the Sultan to be put in possession of Hungary; new relations of Francis I. and Solyman, 193; second expedition against Hungary, when Ferdinand of Austria humbles himself; King John Zapoly, at the head of the magnates, does homage to the Sultan on the plain of Mohacz; Buda capitulates after a resistance of five days, and its garrison is massacred by the Janissaries, 196; Solyman next besieges Vienna, 197; every assault repulsed, and the Turks at length retreat in the night, after committing their usual barbarities and wasting the country, 198; his third expedition against Hungary; the Sultan begins his merch with Oriental pomp, 199; his imposing reception of a French embassy at Belgrade, 200; his march through Hungary resembles a progress in his own dominions; but the little town of Guns inflicts upon him the most humiliating disgrace ever experienced by the pride of Oriental despotism since that of Xerxes, 201; after in-vesting Gratz, which was well de-fended, Solyman reluctantly abandons an enterprize for which he had made such vast preparations, 208; concludes a peace with Ferdinand's envoys, by which that Emperor was to retain all he held in Hungary, and make what terms he pleased with Zapoly, 208; under the appearance of a commercial treaty, a political league is concluded between Francis I, and the Sultan for the conquest of Naples; Solyman assembles a large force in Albania for a descent upon Italy, but Francis not making his appearance there, the Sultan does not follow up the invasion, 218; the war

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