

# 6.000 ARMENIANS KILLED.

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Turkish and Kurdish Atrocities at  
Van Rival Those of 1895.

Special Cable to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

LONDON, May 17.—Six thousand Armenians have been massacred at Van, in Armenia, Asiatic Turkey, according to a dispatch received in official quarters in London today from the Russian Consul at Urumiah, Persia.

This message is dated May 15. It adds that the Armenians are defending themselves to the utmost against the Turks and Kurds arrayed against them, but that help is urgently needed.