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THE EL-HAMBA COMBAT.

the Emir-el-Hag will be made public till the the Banir el-Hag will be made public till the court of inquiry has reported its finding. We believe that the said report, while confirming the version of the egy-witnesses, whom we have mentioned, as far as the cause of the combat is concerned, does not mention the confusion that is said to have followed the first shots, and Egyptian observers who were ignorant of military conditions, may well have taken an exaggerated view of the circumstances that usually attend the first moments of an un-expected engagement. expected engagement.

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usually attend the first moments of an unexpected engagement.

This can be no doubt that the troops of the secort and its officers were subject to considerable provocation dering their march to and from Medina. They were "subject to considerable provocation dering their march on at least two consoins, once on the very finorning of April 18; they were subjected more than once to hostile demonstrations and threats, and they must have had ample vidence of the general insecurity, not only of the Hedjar but of the whole of Turkish Arabia. We hope therefore that the Egyptian public will suspend judgment on the conduct of the officers and men who made the pigrimage under such trying circumstances, nutil the publication of the finding of the court of inquiry which will shortly be convened by the Ministry of War.

There is, however, one point to which we should like to call attention, namely, the composition of the secort, which, as our readers are aware, was largely increased this year and supplied with a Krupp gun and a Maxim, weapons that appear to have been most useful during the two-hours' combact of April 18. This secort is composed of drafts taken from various regiments, and made up of mee who are about to leave the active Army for the Reserve. The officers of this provisional" battalion, for that is its best description, are also drawn from various units and various arms of the Egyptian Service, and naturally enough have not a great knowledge of the N. C. O.'s and men who serve under them, while the latter must to some extent lack the cohesion and esprit de corps which are the conditions necessary to the attainment of perfect discipline and fighting capacity. Might we suggest that, next year, the War Office should try the experiment of sending a 'complete battalion of infantry, with complete artillery and machine gun attainment of perfect discipline and fighting capacity. Might we suggest that, next year, the War Office should try the experiment of sending a 'complete battalion of infantry, with complete artille

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The "Gil Elas" publishes an articler signed "A.B. Degeerville," in which the writer begins by doing justice to Lord Cromer's eminect qualities and to the beneficial results of his administration. The writer says he had an opportunity of conversing with him and eliciting his ideas on Morocco. He expresses the hope that Lord Cromer will forgive him for mentioning his name, considering the service which his statement may render the friendly country which he admires and really likes. It was before the German Emperor's visit to-Tangier. Lord Cromer is represented to have said that he was not called upon to give advice to France and was not entitled to offer her any. But if a friend of France approached him and asked him in presence of the experience he had had in Egypt, what counsel he had to tender he would gay—
"Beware of colonists. Beware of those people who go and install themselves as conquerors in a country which is not their own and who, under the protection of accommodating officials, have but one idea—namely, to make money and to extort from the native everything they can. . . What could be done in Morocco is what we have done here. Before all we sought to benefit the country itself, to improve its finances, to restore prosperity, to secure trunquillity and justice, to reduce the color of the order than the country itself. The only thing it diese of the well being and winning the confidence of the whole people. The only thing it

word, all our efforts have been directed towards restoring the wellbeing and winning the con fidence of the whole people. The only thing I had in view was the welfare of the Egyptian and the interests of Egypt, and when a decision happened to be favorable to them and unfavorable to England I never hesitated:
... I knew that the reward would come later on, when the people would be convinced that I was working in the first place for them, and that their interests took precedence over those of the English. It required time, a THE EL-HAMBA OOMBAT.

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