ROOSEVELT MAY AID ARMENIANS

Steps to Prevent Further Massacres Considered—Cranks Threaten President.

New York Sun Special Service.

Oyster Bay, N. Y., July 6.—The president is expected soon to make an important move in the matter of the Armenian atrocities. Every day letters and cablegrams tell him of recent massacres of Armenians and urging him to take action to prevent further slaughter. The state department is in possession of all the facts and President Roosevelt is informed as to latest developments.

Both President Roosevelt and members of his family are staying much closer home this summer than in past years. Formerly the president and Mrs. Roosevelt frequently were seen riding and driving thru the village and over the country roads, and scarcely a day passed that the children were not seen riding bareheaded thru the village without escort or guides. The villagers do not take kindly to this new exclusiveness.

An unusually large number of threatening letters received by the president this year is said to be the chief cause of all the precautions. Crank letters from all parts of the country are opened by Secretary Loeb daily. It is feared that despite the extra precautions of secret service men some of these cranks may get into the village and attack members of the president's family.

THE MINNEAPOLIS JOURNAL. July 6, 1904.