

SIR ALFRED BILIOTTI AND THE END OF OTTOMAN CRETE, 1885–1899



SIR A. BILIOTTI AND COLONEL SIR H. CHERMSIDE, WITH GROUP OF
CRETAN CHIEFS.
(From a Photo. by Miss Chadwick.)

The end of Ottoman Crete was marked by a bloody conflict between its Christian and Muslim populations, resolved by 18 months of international rule, the transfer of the island from Ottoman rule to a form of autonomy and the departure of most of the Muslims. This lecture looks at the role of the key diplomat on Crete during this period, a humanitarian administrator caught between great power politics and the conflicting nationalisms of Greece and Turkey.

SPEAKER

David Barchard has worked as journalist, consultant, and university teacher in Turkey. He has written widely on Turkish relations with Europe in the last two hundred years and is completing a book on important figures in Turkish-Western relations during the 19th century.

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