

### THE SLAVE TRADE IN EAST-ERN AFRICA.

Interesting Particulars of the Methods of Carrying It on.

The Paris Temps published the other day a letter from Arabia giving some details in regard to the slave markets in Hodeida and other towns. It is said that the Turkish Government closes its eyes to the traffic, and that consequently slavery flourishes with little or no obstruction.

The Captains of the slave are thoroughly skilled in the methods of concealing their merchandise. For example, when a war ship is approaching the slaves are thrown

IN THE BOTTOM OF THE HOLE and barrels and bales and all sorts of things are placed over them, with little care for the danger of their suffocation. In this way many a slave escapes as a vessel engaged in an honest business. In the Red Sea they employ other means of escape. They deal in children, and when there is any danger of capture they put their captives in small boats and land them on some island, where they conceal them as best they can.

The proper way to suppress the traffic would be to commence with the slave markets, which flourish under the protection, or at least the tolerance, of the Turkish Government. Formerly the markets were carried on openly, now they are operated secretly, and that is the only difference. The slaves land their merchandise upon some deserted portion of the coast, and from there it is brought overland to Hodeida. Everybody is informed of the arrival. The Governor is the first to get the news. The slaves are placed with agents, who sell them either in the town itself or in the interior. Of course, the prices vary according to the quality of the goods: but of late years the prices have been considerably raised on account of the fees which the merchants are obliged to pay to the Turkish officials.

THEY FILL THE HAREMS of Arabia. A handsome Galla about twelve years old will sell easily for \$120, \$150, or even \$200. In Hodeida, where there are two European Consuls, this trade is carried on secretly, but in the interior it goes on openly. In Loheva, a little town north of Hodeida, the slaves are sold at auction, and the Lieutenant-Governor receives \$2 for each slave that is sold. Moreover, he generally selects one or two for himself out of each new cargo. This functionary does not even know how to sign his name, and the Cadé of the same town deals in Gallas and Soudanese as the most legitimate business in the world.

All that the Turkish Government does against this traffic is to give a color of satisfaction to the European powers. Lately a Turkish war vessel seized two slavers with 160 negroes; but this is after all only a thin veil to cover the acts which are going on every day under the shelter of the Ottoman flag.

About one thousand slaves are annually sold at Hodeida, and the trade is carried on at other points on a much larger scale.

#### The Copyright Act.

The Amendment to the Copyright Act which the Government have brought in seems to us as reasonable and judicious a measure as anybody could expect. It runs very closely on the lines suggested by the Canadian Copyright Association, and ought to give very general satisfaction. The amending bill provides that the condition for obtaining copyright in Canada shall be the reprinting or republishing of the matter in Canada within three months of its publication elsewhere or in special cases, to be approved by the Minister of Agriculture, within five months. One sub section provides that there shall be no copyright in any publication of an immoral, licentious, irreligious, treasonable or seditious nature. Such a clause, necessary as it is, is open to much dispute, as there may be great and conscientious differences of opinion as to what, for example, would constitute an irreligious book. One clause of the Bill allows anybody living in Canada to print and publish a work, when those who had the first title to copyright it had they chosen to do so, have failed to take advantage. But persons doing this must register their intention, and obtain a licence from the Minister of Agriculture. Nor does this convey any exclusive right to print and publish. The licence so applied for carries with it, if granted certain conditions: that the licensee shall pay to the author or his legal representative a royalty of ten per cent on the retail price of each copy of the book issued, and give security for such payment to the satisfaction of the Minister. Now in all this it seems to us there is as much as any publisher has a right to ask for, and with less than its provisions we do not think any publisher could have been expected to rest contented. Then the rights of the author, even in cases in which he has not sought the advantage of copyright is secured to him with a reasonable, if not lavish amount of generosity.

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### MARK TWAIN'S GHOST STORY.

The Church Band of Workers Never Pressed Him to Tell Another.

A few years ago the Band of Workers, or some other society connected with Mr. Twichell's church, gave an entertainment, and Mark was requested to tell a story. He consented and a large audience was the result. When he mounted the platform he insisted that the gas be turned down low, and the consequence was that one could hardly see one's hand before one's face. Up on the stage stood Mr. Clemens, with a strong light from a reflector shining full in his face, while all the rest was darkness. He preated a weird spectacle, with his hair standing up all over his head. In a deep, sepulchral voice he began, and said that he would tell the tale of "The Golden Arm."

This tale tells how a young girl had an artificial arm made of gold; she died and was buried, and her father finally thought he would exhume her body and take the arm, that he might sell it. Accordingly one dark, stormy night, he set out on his mission. (All this while Mark's voice kept growing deeper, and more sepulchral.) The father dug up the body, obtained possession of the coveted arm, and started back home. The wind was howling, the road was dark and gloomy, and the guilty parent nervous and very much frightened. Suddenly, above the mournful cry of the sighing wind came a low, dismal wail, saying, "Where's my golden arm! Where's my golden arm?" and glancing over his shoulder the terrified father saw the ghost of his daughter, her good arm gesticulating wildly, pursuing him. He ran on home, and all the while came the wail of the child, crying, "Where's my golden arm?" Up stairs he went, this cry still ringing in his ears. He undressed and timidly crept into bed. Out on the stairs, nearer, ever nearer, he heard the wail, and in terror listened to the pattering of advancing footsteps. Suddenly the door was opened and the ghostly figure of his daughter advanced, crying, "Where's my golden arm?" The father, frightened almost to insensibility, covered up his head in the blankets, and the spook placed her hand on the coverlets and cried, "Where's my golden arm?" Just at this moment Mark gave a jump, spread out his arms wildly, and in a voice that could have been heard in Massachusetts shrieked, "In hook, by jingo!"

The effect of this was electrical. From out the darkness of the audience room there came a series of yells and groans, and exclamations of fright. Several timid women began to cry hysterically, and two, I think, fainted away. The room was in confusion, and when the gas was turned up the worst lot of frightened people in the United States were revealed. I believe, at a meeting of the Band of Workers, held a short time afterward, it was unanimously voted not to ask Mark Twain to tell any more stories.

### NORTH POLAR EXPLORATION.

The Search For the Earth's Axis to be Again Renewed.

There are signs of a revival of interest in North Polar exploration. At nearly regular intervals the public is ready for a new installment of thrilling Arctic adventures, and if anybody will furnish the money there is always an ample supply of explorers eager to contribute the exploits. The present movement has been started in Norway, and it is proposed to fit out an expedition to start next year for the North Pole, or to get as near to that interesting spot as possible. The discovery of the North Pole has seldom, of late years, been the chief purpose of Arctic exploration. This quest is of minor importance in comparison with certain scientific investigations which can best be carried on, in whole or in part, in the polar regions.

The leadership of the party will be offered to Dr. Nansen, whose recent successful trip across Greenland has been reported by the press. Dr. Nansen is expected home from Greenland early next summer. It is the purpose to try to reach the pole by the way of Franz Josef Land, the route that is now favored by nearly all Arctic enthusiasts, chiefly because it is the only route that has not been tried. We do not know how far the archipelago of Franz Josef Land extends to the north. It is thought by some geographers that it may stretch far towards the pole, and that a feasible route for a long distance north may be found along the west coast of these islands. At any rate, Franz Josef Land can be reached four summers in five, and the expense of the almost inevitable relief expedition would not be likely to exceed the cost of the original outfit. The great expense of recent polar expeditions has been not so much in getting expeditions into the Arctic regions as in getting them out again.

### CUTTING A LION'S CLAWS.

An Interesting Operation Performed on a Captive King of Beasts.

The Lion Jupiter, at the Clifton Zoological Gardens, which is nearly 11 years old, was noticed last week to have a claw on the left forepaw growing into the flesh of its foot, which was gradually laming the animal, and it was deemed advisable to remove the claw. The novel operation was performed the other morning, when a close travelling cage was introduced into the den and placed against one of the sliding traps in the partition. The animal having been induced to enter the cage, it was removed to the floor of the building and another cage, but of different construction, composed solely of iron bars, placed endways to the door of the first cage and the two firmly lashed together. After some little trouble the animal was got into the second cage, which was so narrow as not to admit of his turning round. Heavy inch-and-a-half planks were then inserted between the bars and the lion tightly wedged in.

Up to this point he had submitted quietly, but on the introduction of the planks he splintered them up as easily as though they had been matchwood. At last he was firmly wedged in, and a little time was given him to cool down. A favorable opportunity for the operation occurred in a few minutes, his paw being partly through the bars. The head keeper, who was waiting with a powerful pair of hippers, seized the opportunity, and the offending claw was promptly removed. The operation was absolutely necessary, as the claw had already grown more than half an inch into the foot, and would probably have killed the lion.—[London Times.

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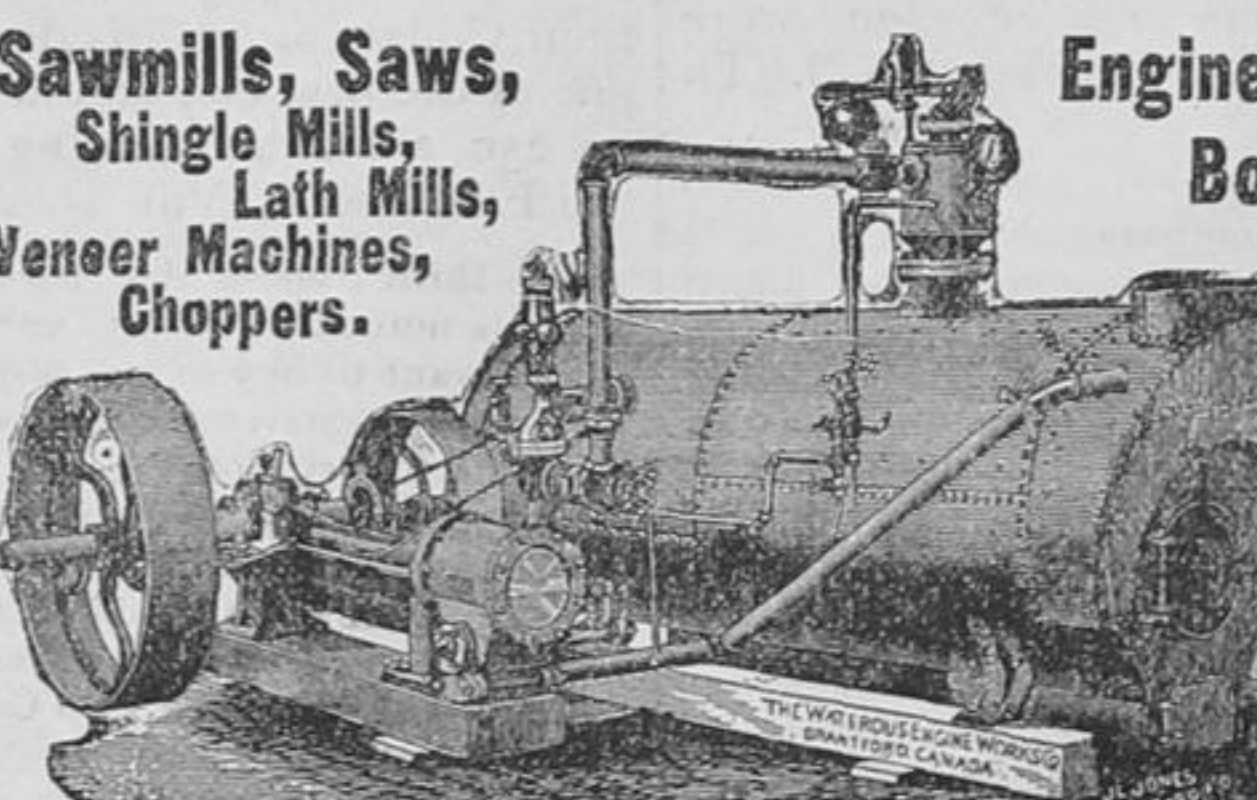
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