

# THE SLAVE-SHED.

### Hapless Wretches Captured in African Forests.

Many Become Victims of Ceremonies in Congo Villages.

From E. J. Glave's article, "The Slave Trade in the Congo Basin," published in the Century, we quote as follows: "These hungry creatures form indeed a truly pitiable sight. After suffering this captivity for a short time they become mere skeletons. All ages, of both sexes, are to be seen: mothers with their babes; young men and women; boys and girls, and even babies who cannot yet walk, and whose mothers died of starvation, or perhaps were killed by the Lufemba. One seldom sees either old men or old women; they are all killed in the raids; their marketable value being very small, no trouble is taken with them.

"Witnessing groups of these poor, hapless wretches, with their emaciated forms and sunken eyes, their faces a very picture of sadness, it is not difficult to perceive the intense grief that they are inwardly suffering; but they know too well it is of no use to appeal for sympathy to their merciless masters, who have been accustomed from childhood to witness acts of cruelty and brutality, so that to satisfy their insatiable greed they will commit themselves, or permit to be committed, any atrocity, however great. Even the pitiable sight of one of these slaves-sheds does not half represent the misery caused by this traffic—homes broken up, mothers separated from their babies, husbands from wives, and brothers from sisters. When last at Masankusu I saw a slave woman who had with her one child, whose starved little body she was clutching to her shrunken breast, I was attracted by her sad face, which betokened great suffering. I asked her the cause of it, and she told me in a low, sobbing voice the following tale:

"I was living with my husband and three children in an inland village, a few miles from here. My husband was a hunter. Ten days ago the Lufemba attacked our settlement; my husband defended himself, but was overpowered and speared to death with several of the other villagers. I was brought here with my three children, two of whom have already been purchased by the traders. I shall never see them any more. Perhaps they will kill them on the death of some chief, or perhaps kill them for food. My remaining child, you see, is ill, dying from starvation; they give us nothing to eat. I expect even this one will be taken from me today, as the chief, fearing lest it should die and become a total loss, has offered it for a very small price. As for myself, said she, 'they will sell me to one of the neighboring tribes, to toil in the plantations, and when I become old and unfit for work I shall be killed.'

"There were certainly 500 slaves exposed for sale in this one village alone. Large canoes were constantly arriving from down river with merchandise of all kinds with which they purchased these slaves. A large trade is carried on between the Ubangi and Lulungu rivers. The people inhabiting the mouth of the Ubangi buy the Bololo slaves at Masankusu and the other markets. They then take them up the Ubangi river and exchange them with the natives there for ivory. These natives buy their slaves solely for food. Having purchased slaves they feed them on ripe bananas, fish and oil, and when they get them into good condition they kill them. Hundreds of the Bololo slaves are taken into the river and disposed of in this way each month. A great many other slaves are sold to the large villages on the Congo to supply victims for the execution ceremonies.

"Much life is lost in the capturing of slaves, and during their captivity many succumb to starvation. Of the remainder, numbers are sold to become victims to cannibalism and human sacrifice ceremonies. There are few indeed who are allowed to live and prosper."

### Swift Work by a Locomotive.

Since undergoing slight changes at the shops of the Cincinnati, Hamilton and Dayton Company, the Strong engine now hauling the vestibule trains between Indianapolis and Cincinnati has been doing some remarkable running. Yesterday this engine ran fourteen and a half miles at an average speed of a mile in fifty seconds. The quickest mile was made in forty-six seconds, and the slowest mile was covered in fifty-nine seconds. Since run on the Cincinnati, Hamilton and Dayton the best official record the engine has shown is eighty-four miles in sixty minutes, hauling four coaches.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

### The Senate Gavel.

The Vice-President's gavel is of itself a standing evidence that the Senate is an orderly body and needs no schoolmaster for a presiding officer to compel quiet. The gavel has no handle. It never did have any. It is simply a little piece of white ivory like the head of a gavel, polished and shining. It would not do in the House at all, for the most that can be done with it is to give a gentle rapping on the desk, and in the other wing the Speaker sometimes needs to hammer away like a man with a beetle. This Senate gavel, with which Vice-President Morton tells the Senators that they are making too much noise, has been in existence and in use as a gavel for many years. It is the identical one, it is said, which was in use when Daniel Webster was in the Senate, and probably was used the day he made his reply to Hayne, to still the buzz in the gallery when the great man sat down. This, at any rate, was said to be true the other day.

There is a mystery about the gavel, too. Nobody but Capt. Bassett, the white-haired door-keeper, knows what becomes of it during the recess and when Congress is not in session. The venerable old Capt. Bassett takes it from the Vice-President's desk when the Senate adjourns and hides it somewhere, and it is lost to the world until it is again needed by the Vice-President. Capt. Bassett knows the history of the gavel, as he does of everything else about the Senate chamber, for he has been there since some time in the thirties or forties, when he first received his appointment—as a page, it is said—through the influence of Daniel Webster. It has been suggested that Capt. Bassett carries the gavel in his pocket as a mascot when the Senate is not in session, though this is probably not true.—St. Paul Pioneer-Press.

### The Theory of Dew.

It is now held by the best physicians that instead of falling from above the dew arises from the earth. The generally received opinion that the dew is formed of vapor existing at the time in the atmosphere must be given up for the established fact that the vapor which rises from the heated earth is trapped by the cold surface earth. Besides, when we imagine that on a cool evening after a sultry day in summer our feet are being wet by the dew on the grass, we make a grave mistake. For that moisture on the grass is not dew at all, it is false dew—in reality the transpired humor of the plants. The drops at the tips, which glisten diamond-like, are not dew; close examination shows that these crystalline spheres are all situated at the points where the veins of the leaves cut the outer edges. These drops only give evidence of the vitality of the plant.

The difference between the true dew on the grass and the exuded drops through the veins from within the grass can be easily distinguished, for the former is distributed all over the blade in a moist film; whereas the latter are of some size, and are situated near the tips of the blade. Altered, then, is the meaning of the line: "Ilka blade o' grass keeps its ain drap o' dew," for those brilliant globules on the petals, shaking to the same sweet air, and often "gliding at once all fragrance into one," are no dewdrops, but are exhalations of the healthy plants. They give evidence of the elixir vite of vegetation; whereas, the true dew is the pearly luster, varnished in filmy humidity over the blades by that wondrous alchemy which transforms the water vapor rising from the ground into the plant refreshing dew.—Good Words.

### The Right Cue.

"The cat drank all the milk."  
"Did you see her?"  
"No; Johnny told me she did it."  
"Don't touch the cat; go and catch Johnny for me.—N. Y. Sun.

Mrs. GEORGE B. McCLELLAN, who is about to take a fine house in London for the season, has had a chequered existence. Since her husband's death the widow has sought in Europe some compensation for that political glory which was so often almost within grasp at Washington. On the other side of the Atlantic Mrs. McClellan has been showered with social attentions, and during the coming season in London, where American women of culture who bear an honorable name are not too common, the widow of "Little Mac" will not be neglected.

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### A Man's Head on a Baby's Shoulders.

The death of a remarkable freak of nature occurred at Dubuque, Iowa, recently. Thirty-two years ago there was born to Silas Hall and wife, of Parkersburg, Iowa, a boy baby. It was normally developed with the exception that the head was large in proportion to the body. After two years the body of the boy did not grow, but the head developed until it was as large as that of an ordinary man, and a full beard grew on the face. For thirty years the freak has been tied in a chair and fed with a spoon. Its mother was obliged to get up three or four times during each night to attend to its wants. It could never speak a word, but rewarded its mother with a graceful look. Her constant fear was lest she should die before her boy and no one be left to wait on him. The other children of the family are perfectly normal.—New York World.

### The Astonishing Spread of Leprosy.

According to Dr. Morell Mackenzie, leprosy, the scourge of the middle ages, has not become practically extinct among Europeans, but is really spreading. It has between 1000 and 1200 victims in Norway, is also found in Portugal, Greece and Italy, and is rapidly spreading in Sicily, in the Baltic provinces of Russia and in France, while the British islands are not exempt from it.

In the United States, cases have been found in California, in some of the States of the northwest; in Utah and in Louisiana. Many cases exist in New Brunswick. In the Sandwich Islands the disease first broke out in 1853, and there are now 1100 lepers in the Molokai settlement alone. The disease is extending in the West Indies.—Chicago Herald.

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A dog was actually tried for his life in the Boston Municipal Court recently. The defendant was a handsome setter named Towser. His master retained able counsel. The dog was placed in the prisoner's box, and amid the titter of the spectators and the smiles of Judge Curtis, the trial began. A man swore that the prisoner had bitten him, and he therefore wanted him killed, according to law. On cross-examination witness admitted that he had provoked the prisoner by teasing him. Several witnesses for the defence testified as to the good character of the accused. The latter was then brought forward in his own behalf and furnished testimony as novel as it was effective. At various commands he played dead, walked on his hind legs about the room, stood on his head, shouldered arms, whined dismally in imitation of a song and wound up by marching up the steps to the Judge's desk on his hind legs and shaking paws with his honor. The Judge, without a moment's hesitation, said, amid cheers: "Towser, you are a peaceable and orderly canine. I give judgment in your behalf and dismiss you, the plaintiff paying the costs." Leaving the room, the dog received an ovation.—Utica (N. Y.) Herald.

Watching Shot on Their Way.

When standing within a few yards of the gun's muzzle at the time of discharge a person would be amazingly astonished were he only able to see the shot as they go whizzing by. Experiments in instantaneous photography have proved to us that the shot not only spread out, come-like, as they fly, but they string out one behind the other to a much greater distance than they spread. Thus, with a cylinder gun, when the first shot of a charge reaches a target that is forty yards away the last shot is lagging about ten yards behind. Even with a choke-bore gun some of the shot will lag behind eight yards in forty. This accounts for the wide swath that is mowed in a flock of ducks on which a charge of shot falls just right. About five per cent. only of the charge of shot arrive simultaneously at the target, but the balance of the first half of the charge is so close behind that a bird's muscles are not quick enough to get it out of the way, although those who have watched sitting birds when shot at have often seen them start as if to fly when the leading shot whistled by them, only to drop dead as they were overtaken by the leaden hail that followed.



### KISSED ANOTHER MAN'S WIFE.

"You scoundrel," yelled young Jacob Green at his good neighbor, Brown.—  
"You kissed my wife upon the street,— I ought to knock you down."  
"That's where you're wrong," good Brown replied, in accents mild and meek.—  
"I kissed her; that I've not denied, But I kissed her on the cheek—"

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