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Slaves of the Turk. The great favorite with the Turks have always been the Circassian girls. writes a correspondent of the New York Times. This preference still exists, and, I think, with reason. The similarity between the fine fair or the dark-brown type of beauty and of the Circassian type is truly remarkable. The same glossy locks, the marvellous complexion, the same fair skin, black wavy hair, and blue eyes. The Turks themselves being dark, they are naturally attracted to the fair ones of the opposite sex. Thus since time immemorial it has always been a blonde who has reigned as sultana favorite in the Serail. Thus, too, the highest prize of the human chattels have been and still are the Circassian girls. Here, Circassia itself having completely passed under Russian rule, it is mostly from the Circassians who have settled on Turkish territory that the supply is had. The provinces where they are most numerous and thickly congregated to that of Simsa, in the northern part of Asia Minor, with Anisak for its principal town. It is a very fertile district with enormous agricultural and pastoral interests, especially stock-raising. Formerly the Circassian boys and girls were used to pay a regular tribute in girls to the successor of the caliph. This is no longer done. But it is a common thing to see Circassian children, who have been taken to ask in Stamboul, or who wish to peddle important matters, agree to furnish a pretty maid in lieu of spot cash as backsheek. Debt, too, are frequently canceled by them in the same manner. For is this last custom confined to the Circassians. I am told very often done in all parts of the empire. There are no actual statistics available as to the number of Circassian girls thus annually disposed of, but it must range in the thousands. Prices, too, vary enormously. In general it may be stated, however, that the price for pretty white slaves has been generally estimated by Europeans at from \$100 to \$200. From the best authorities I know that from \$20 to \$100 Turkish (\$250 to \$640) is the average price paid for a pretty Circassian maiden. A really beautiful woman fetches her price anywhere, of course, in London and Paris as well as in Stamboul. This was the way one of my informants put it. Assyrian girls have dark eyes and hair, and are, to speak the truth, a little "off color," i. e., their complexion is about as light brown as that of an American quadroon girl. They are generally good figures when young, but age more rapidly than their Circassian sisters. From \$20 to \$100 is considered an average price to pay for one of them. The Nubian girls, who are mainly used as domestic slaves, are still cheaper, for they range in price between \$5 and \$15. Evidence of this trade, all secretly carried on, will come to the notice of any observant European who stays for some time in the country, and enough of them came, he said, to the observation of the committee. Female slaves would now and then be used for such cases, after going and in all usual formalities of application the committee papers of the girl were granted it by the Turkish authorities, due, of course, only to the interference of the British. It is then a case would occasion more ordinary difficulties. Thus, at Adana in northern Syria, a woman, the daughter of an Ottoman functionary, who had thrown herself on the protection of the commission and had demanded her freedom, was at first stubbornly refused it by her master as well as by the governor of the province, who was being influenced by the owner. It was only when the threat was made to get the direct intervention of the British ambassador at Stamboul that she was given her freedom. The matter at the time raised a commotion in that province. This, then, briefly told, was the experience of the commission. Things are still about in the same state in Asiatic Turkey.

Honorable and Bewildered. With so many schemes for improvement there will be no chance for that ignorance of housewifery which is gradually due to the mistake of the preceding generation in not fitting the daughters for home duties. Let me tell you now so to it that their daughters have no such education against the old-fashioned. If they themselves are in circumstances of ability to make their own way, let them find husbands from their own country. In this time the girls of Irish descent were brought to the household arts, and so the "Irish" extracting from their husbands the useful acquirements handed their virgin housewifery with the culture of beauty and education. The mother of the every day in imitation of their superior, gave their daughters a like discipline, fitting them for housewifery; and the position became honorable and enviable, both to the nobility and peasant.—Mrs. E. J. Goring, in Good Housekeeping.

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