

much more cheerful than the dead walls of the residence quarters. On either side are little cell-like recesses, often not more than six feet square,

wrapped up and kept on shelves. Beneath his apparent apathy he has a keen eye for business. The haggling and bargaining which must precede a purchase are an unspeakable annoyance to one used to the prompt Western methods of business. "The shop-keeper begins by asking four times as much as he means to take. The customer meets him by bidding a fourth of what he means to give. Bystanders join in the negotiation. The whole party work themselves up into what appears to be a fit of uncontrollable fury, shrieking and yelling at one another in their guttural Arabic till manslaughter seems imminent. At length the bargain is concluded, and peace is restored." This scene gives point to the Bible quotation: "It is naught, it is naught, saith the buyer: but when he is gone his way, then he boasteth." Prov. xx. 14. Mr. Charles Dudley Warner has also stated that on the Nile he heard



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in which the merchant sits cross-legged, serenely smoking his hubbub-pipe. The mercer's goods are not displayed as with us, but

such an altercation that he thought the French Revolution was being reenacted, but he found that his dragoon was merely buying some milk.

I FEAR no foe, with Thee at hand to bless:
 Ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness:
 Where is Death's sting? Where, Grave, thy victory?
 I triumph still, if Thou abide with me!

—Henry Francis Lyte.