

A POOR LITTLE SLAVE.

BY REV. J. W. HANDFORD, FRERE TOWN.

I had been round one Sunday evening just before dark, to see the boys in the dormitory, when coming home I met what looked like a bundle of rags in the semi darkness. Closer inspection showed this to be a poor little slave girl, who was unable to go any further because of hunger and bad ulcer. Bringing her home, Mrs. Handford soon cheered her with some food and clean clothing, and then we sent her to the girls' dormitory; for her home was some distance away, and we felt that her master or mistress ought to have the trouble of looking for her. A week passed before she was discovered by a fellow-slave, but when the woman tried to take her, she ran away and hid herself. The woman appealed to me, but I told her, that I must see her master. Some days elapsed before he came, and then he appeared in the form of one of the chief Arabs of the town. I told him that I could not deliver up the child until I had represented the matter to the Consul. He strongly objected to this, fearing that he would lose the child altogether. But I was firm, for I hoped the Consul might be able to free her through the Governor. But I am sorry to say he could not secure this. When the order came for her to be sent over, she cried most piteously, and on the way once more ran away and hid herself. She was, however, soon found, and she had to be carried. I am sure many boys and girls in England would have wept to hear her piteous cries as she was forced away from us.

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The boy, who did not know it was the Prince, replied, "Why should I not be merry? Our most gracious Prince himself is not richer than I am."

"Indeed!" said the Prince; "let me hear then, directly, how much you have."

The boy replied, the sun in the bright blue sky shines as smilingly for me as for the Prince, and hill and valley look as beautifully green and blooming for me as for him. My two hands I would not part with for a hundred thousand

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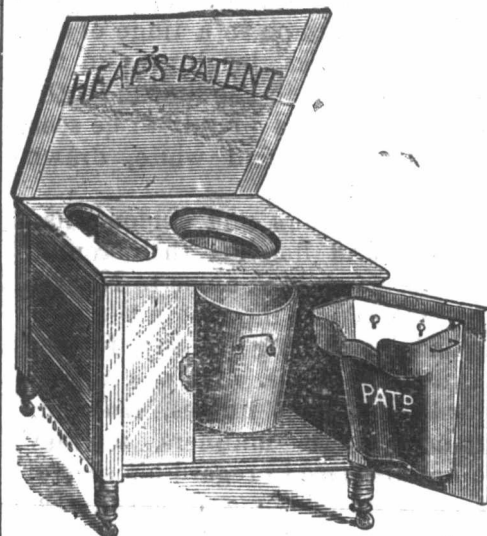
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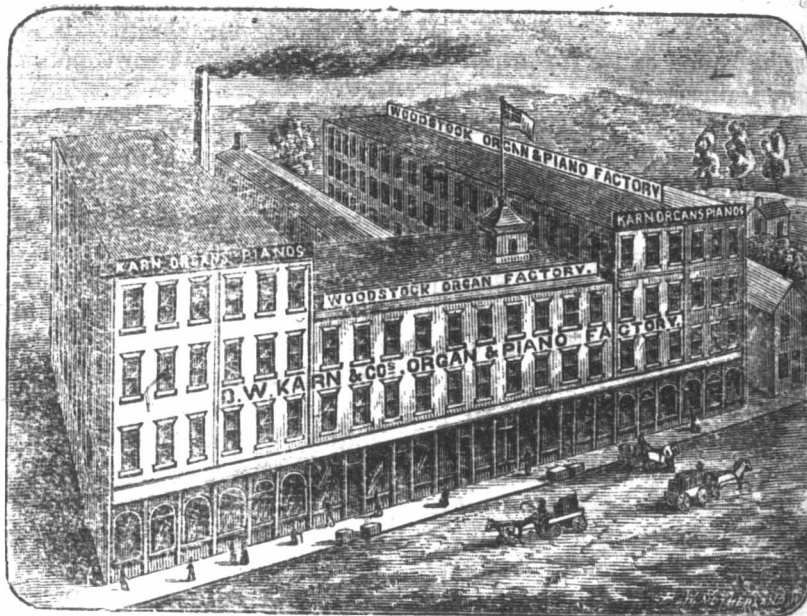
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