

ANCIENT DAMASCUS. The Financial Status of That Historic City.

The British consul in Damascus, in a report which has lately been issued by the foreign office, gives some interesting information in regard to the condition of that city and its neighborhood, says the London Times.

The population is given at about 210,000, of which about 150,000 are Moslems. The number is supposed to be increasing, but it must be slowly, for the old walls still surround the greater part of the population, and the houses built outside are very few.

But it appears that the wealth of the place has considerably increased in the last thirty years, and it is probable that Damascus will still further increase when the railways now projected from the coast are constructed.

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VENETIAN LIFE. The Poetical City Described as the Most Beautiful of Tombs.

Venetian life, in the large old sense, has long since come to an end, and the essential present character of the most melancholy of cities resides simply in its being the most beautiful of tombs, writes Henry James in Scribner.

Nowhere else is there so alien, so discontinuous, as there is a crowd in a cemetery without garlands for the graves. It has no flowers in its hands, but as a compensation, perhaps, and the thing is doubtless more to the point—it has money and little red books.

The present fortune of Venice, the lamentable difference, is most easily accounted for, and that is why, in the effort to resist one prediction, we must turn away both from the purchasers and from the vendors of riccioli.

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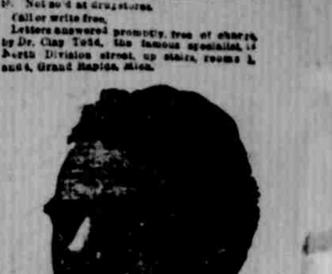
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