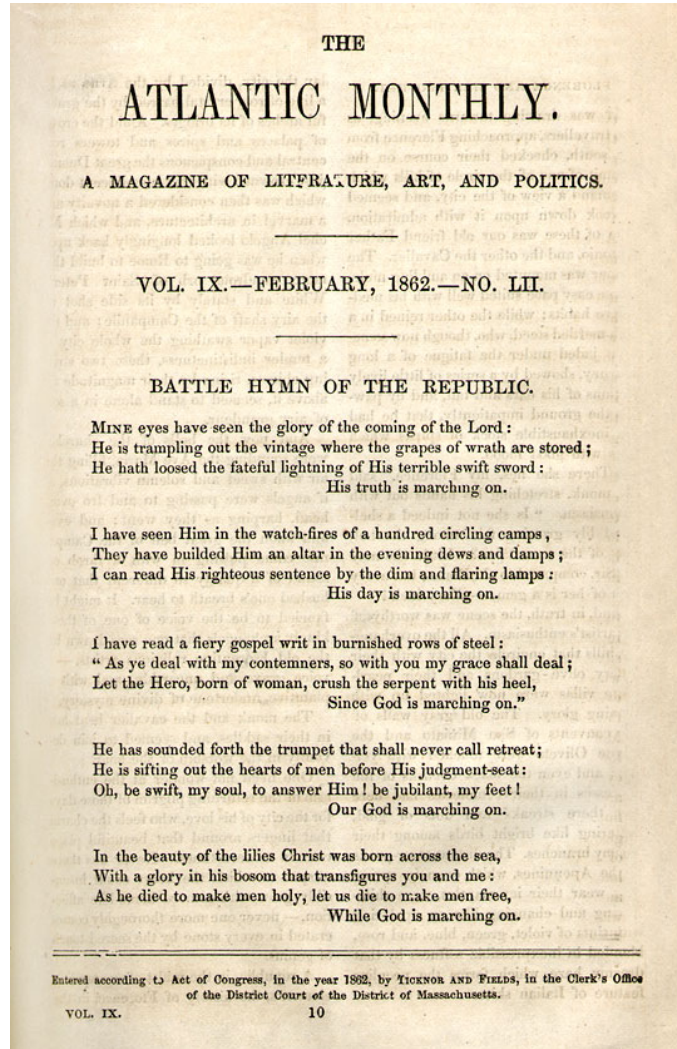


American Minute with Bill Federer Battle Hymn of the Republic & efforts to abolish the the slave trade

Five dollars was all she was paid by the *Atlantic Monthly Magazine* for her poem, "**The Battle Hymn of the Republic**," published FEBRUARY 1, 1862.

It became **Lincoln's** favorite song and the Union's theme song.

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WILLIAM J. FEDERER

Her name was **Julia Ward Howe**, the daughter of a Wall Street banker and the wife of Dr. Samuel Gridley Howe, director of a **school for the blind** in Boston, which grew into the famous **Perkins Institute**.



Julia and her husband entertained **John Brown** in their home and published the **anti-slavery journal Commonwealth**.



In 1861, **Julia** traveled to Washington, D.C., and saw the city teeming with military, horses galloping all around and innumerable campfires burning.



Julia Ward Howe wrote:

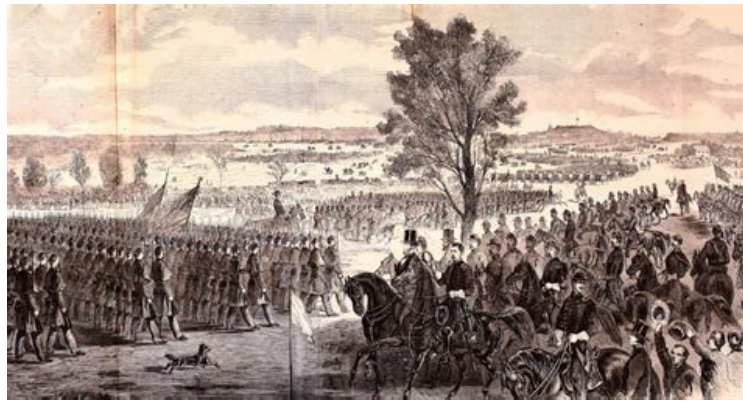
"I went to bed that night as usual, and slept, according to my wont, quite



soundly. I awoke
in the gray of the
morning twilight;

and as I lay
waiting for the
dawn, the long
lines of the desired
poem began to
twine themselves
in my mind.

... Having thought
out all the stanzas,
I said to myself, 'I
must get up and
write these verses
down, lest I fall
asleep again and
forget them.'

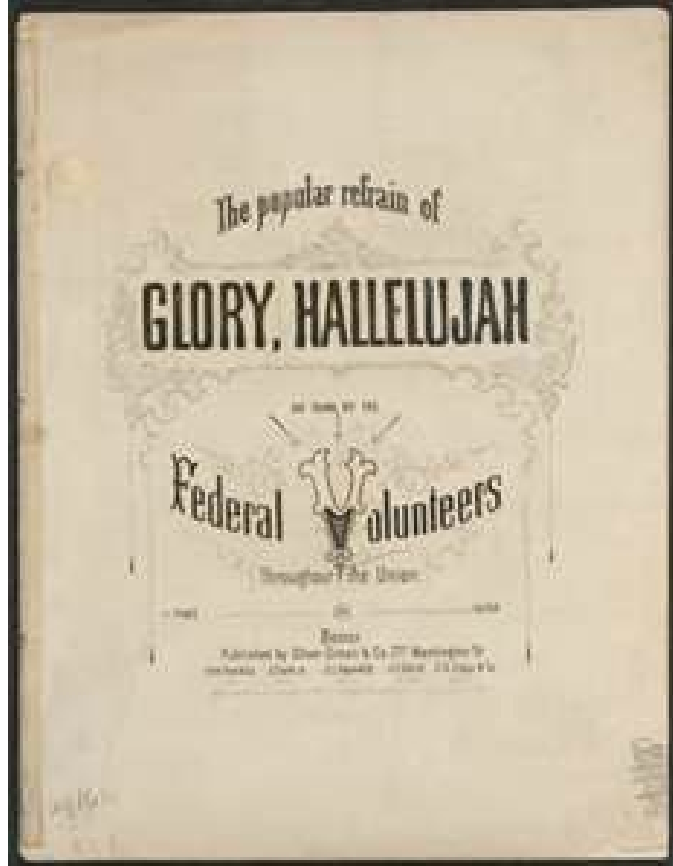


So, with a sudden effort, I sprang out of bed, and found in the dimness an old stump of a pen which I remembered to have used the day before. I scrawled the verses almost without looking at the paper."

"Mine eyes have seen
the glory of the
coming of the Lord:
He is trampling out
the vintage where the
grapes of wrath are
stored;
He has loosed the
fateful lighting of His
terrible swift sword:
His truth is marching

on.

Glory, glory,
hallelujah!
Glory, glory,
hallelujah!
Glory, glory,
hallelujah!
His truth is marching
on.



I have seen Him in
the watch-fires of
a hundred circling
camps;
They have builded
Him an altar in the
evening dews and
damps;
I can read His
righteous sentence
by the dim and
flaring lamps:
His day is
marching on.



Glory, glory,
hallelujah!
Glory, glory,
hallelujah!
Glory, glory, hallelujah!
His truth is marching on.

I have read a fiery

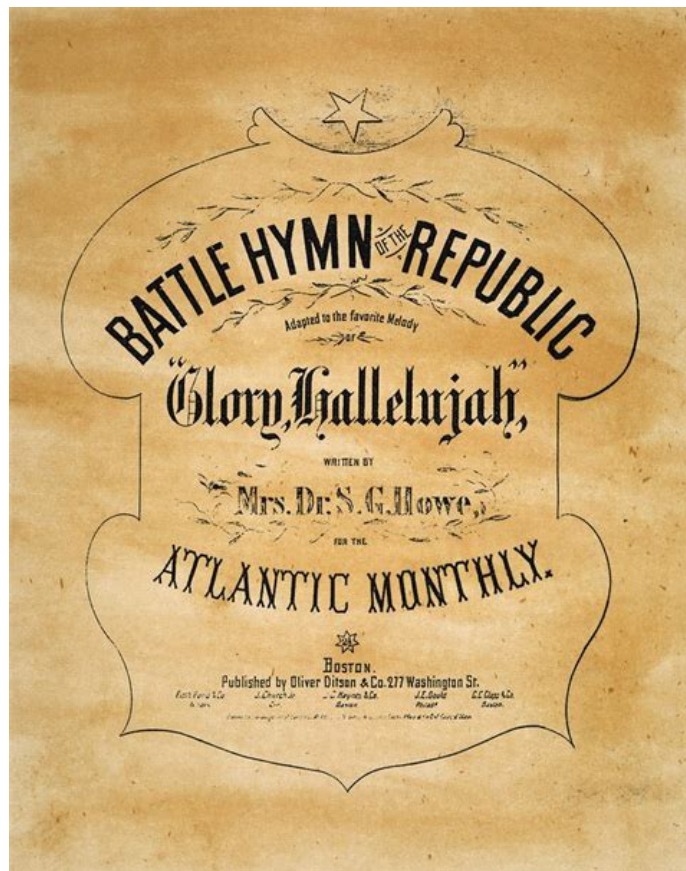
gospel writ in burnished
rows of steel;
'As ye deal with my
contemners, so with
you my grace shall
deal;
Let the Hero, born of
woman, crush the
serpent with his heel,
Since God is marching
on.

Glory, glory, hallelujah!
Glory, glory, hallelujah!
Glory, glory, hallelujah!
His truth is marching
on.



He has sounded forth
the trumpet that shall
never call retreat;
He is sifting out the
hearts of men before
His judgment-seat:
Oh, be swift, my soul,
to answer Him! Be
jubilant, my feet!
Our God is marching
on.

Glory, glory,
hallelujah!
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His truth is marching on.

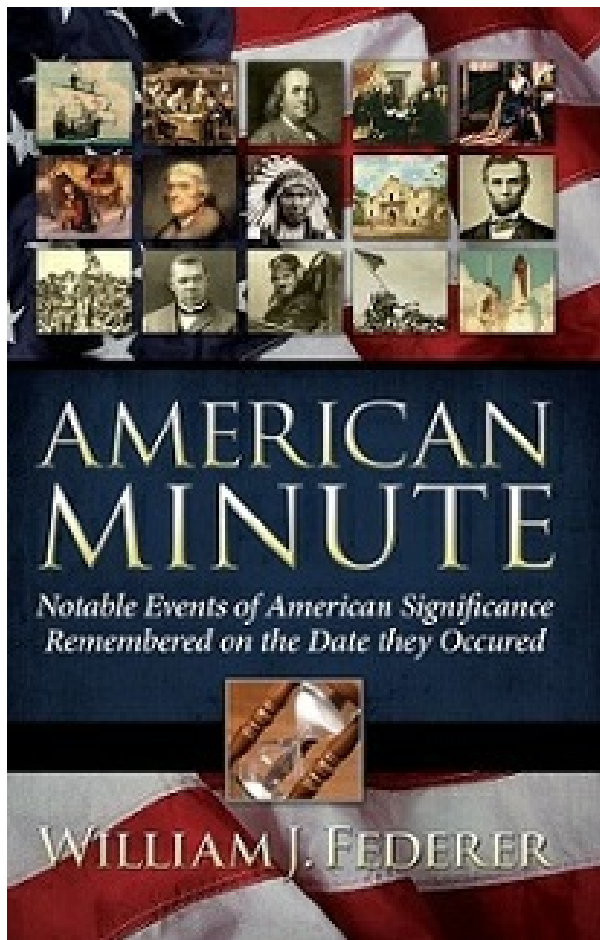
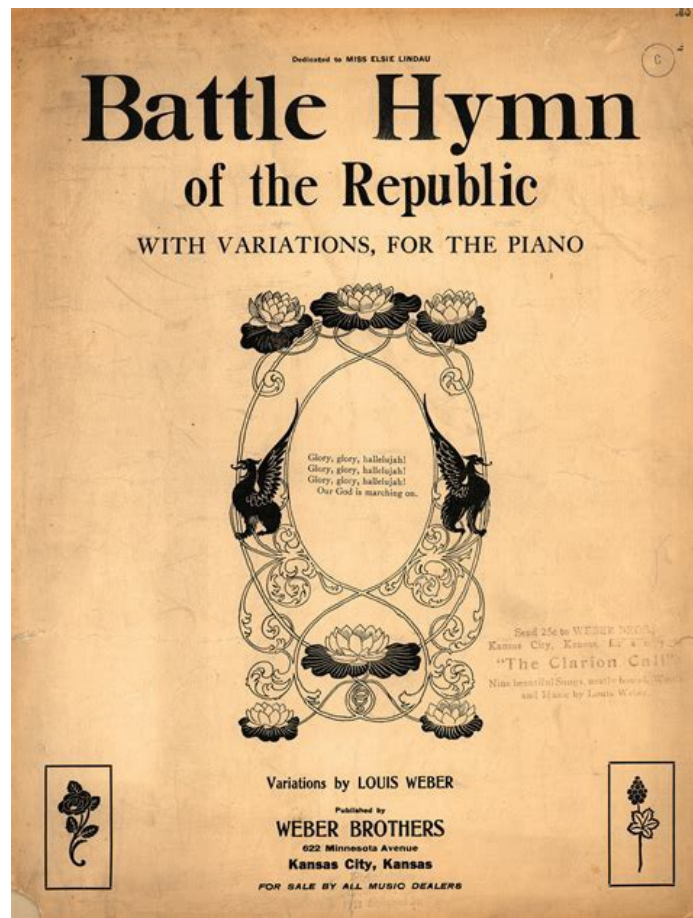


In the beauty of the lilies Christ was born across the sea; With a glory in his bosom that transfigures you and me:

As he died to make men holy, let us die to make men free, While God is marching on."

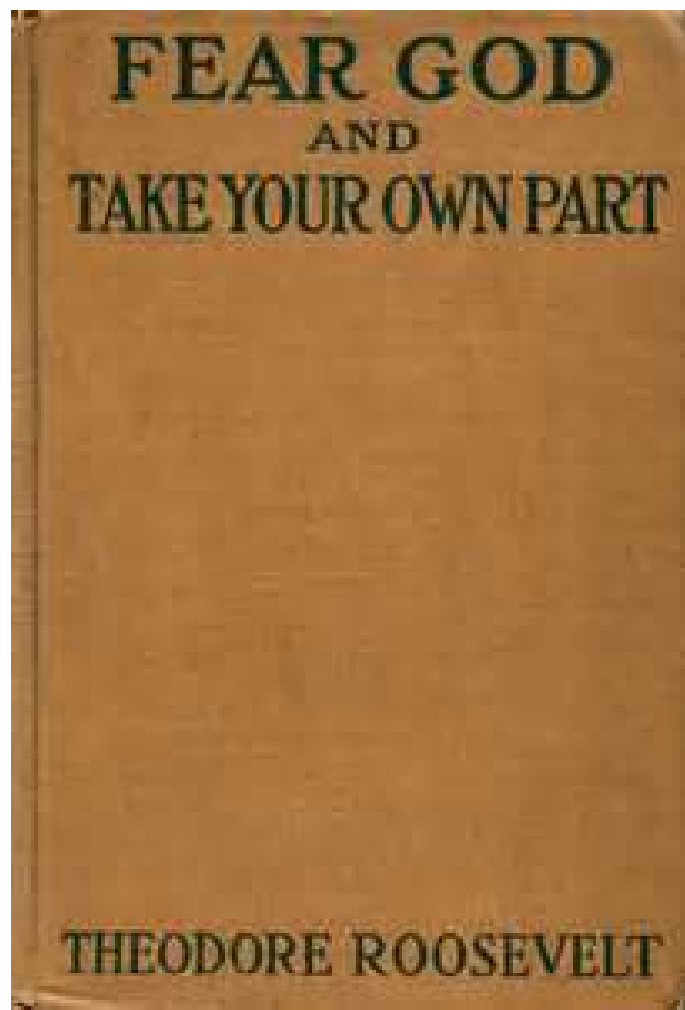
Glory, glory, hallelujah!
Glory, glory, hallelujah!
Glory, glory, hallelujah!

His truth is marching on.



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So profound was effect of **Julia Ward Howe's** song that **Theodore Roosevelt** dedicated his book to her, *Fear God and Take Your Own Part* (NY: G.H. Doran Co., 1916, p. v.):



"This book is dedicated to the memory of **Julia Ward Howe**:

because in the vital matters fundamentally affecting the life of the **Republic**, she was as good a citizen of the **Republic** as Washington and Lincoln themselves ..."

Roosevelt continued:

"She was in the highest sense a good wife and a good mother ... At the same time she fulfilled her full duty to the commonwealth ..."

She preached that stern and lofty courage of soul which shrinks neither from war nor ... suffering and hardship and

danger ...

She embodies that trait more essential than any other in the make-up of the men and women of this **Republic** -- the valor of righteousness."



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Slavery, a modern-day tragedy

The victims of servitude are more numerous than at any time in the past



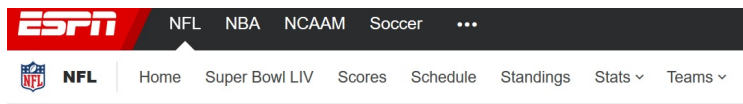
Slavery is called by different names, such as:

- generational

After the Civil War, slavery was legally ended in the United States, but research reveals that there is actually **more slavery today than at any time in history.**

indebtedness as in South Asia;

- forced labor in North Korean prison camps;
- socialist and communist countries strip dissidents of human rights and reduce them to servitude;
- exploited labor for mining and agriculture in South America and Africa;
- illicit drug production and trade;
- human-trafficking; and
- sex-slavery in cities across the world, including the United States, where the FBI has conducted stings during Super Bowl weekend.



The Super Bowl remains target for human trafficking



Slavery is also part of **Islamic Sharia Law**, which has a long history



of forced marriages, child brides, and slave markets.

Over the **1,400 years of Islamic expansion**, an estimated **180 million Africans** were sold in **Muslim slave markets** of:

- **North Africa:**

Tangier

(Morocco),

Marrakesh (Morocco). Algiers (Algeria). Tripoli (Libya),
Cairo (Egypt), Aswan (Egypt); Khartoum, (Sudan);

- **West Africa:**

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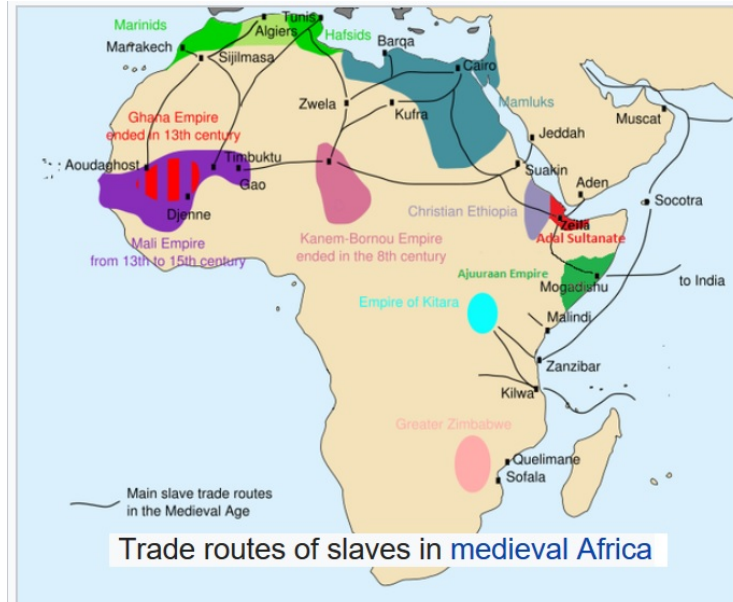
(Mauritania),

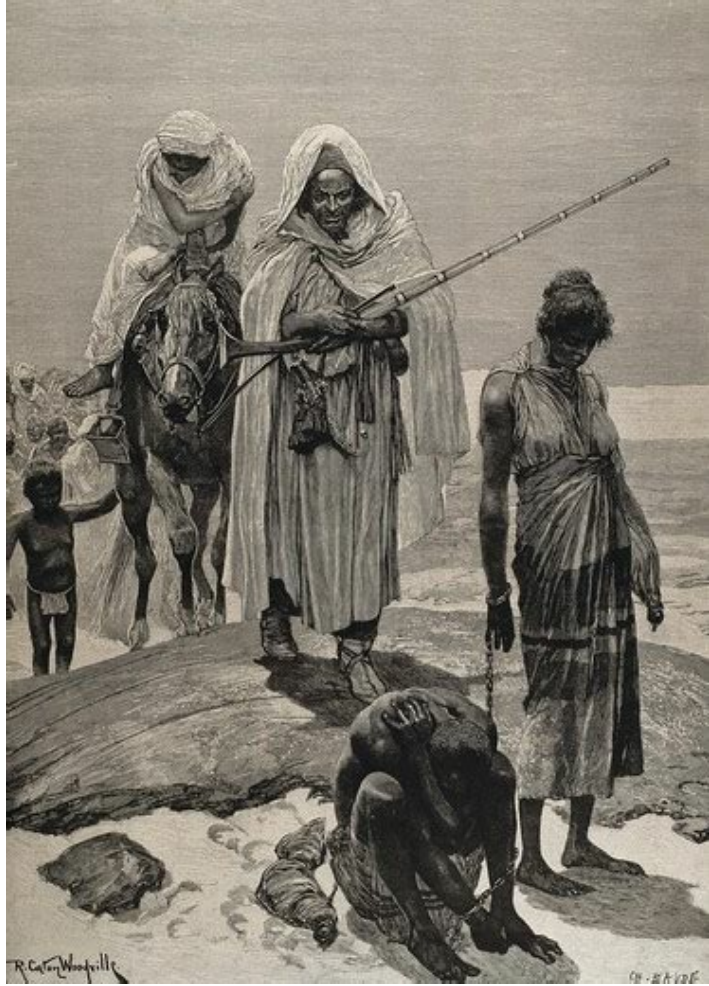
Timbuktu (Mali),

Gao (Mali), Bilma

(Niger), Kano

(Nigeria);





- **Swahili Coast:**
Bagamoyo (Tanzania), Zanzibar (Tanzania), Kilwa (Tanzania), Sofala (Beira, Mozambique), Mombasa (Kenya);



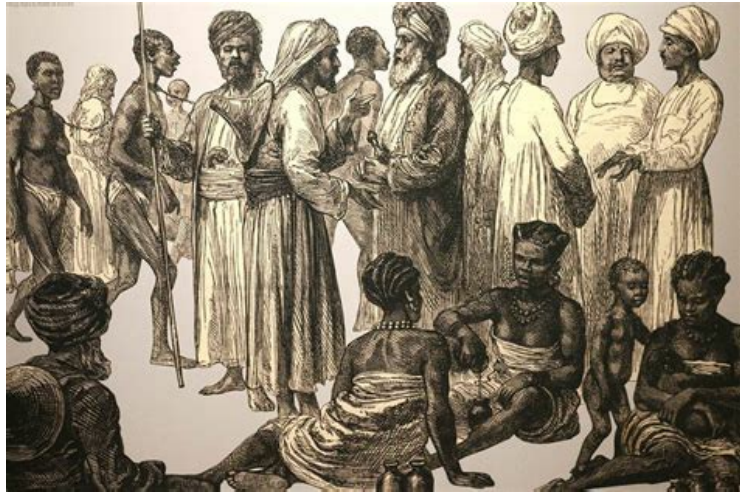
- **Horn of Africa:**
Assab (Eritrea), Massawa (Eritrea), Nefasit (Eritrea), Tadjoura (Djibouti), Zeila (Somalia), Mogadishu



(Somalia), Kismayo (Somalia);

- **Arabian Peninsula:**

Jeddah (Saudi Arabia), Zabīd (Yemen), Muscat (Oman), Aden (Yemen), Socotra (Indian Ocean);



- **Indian Ocean:**

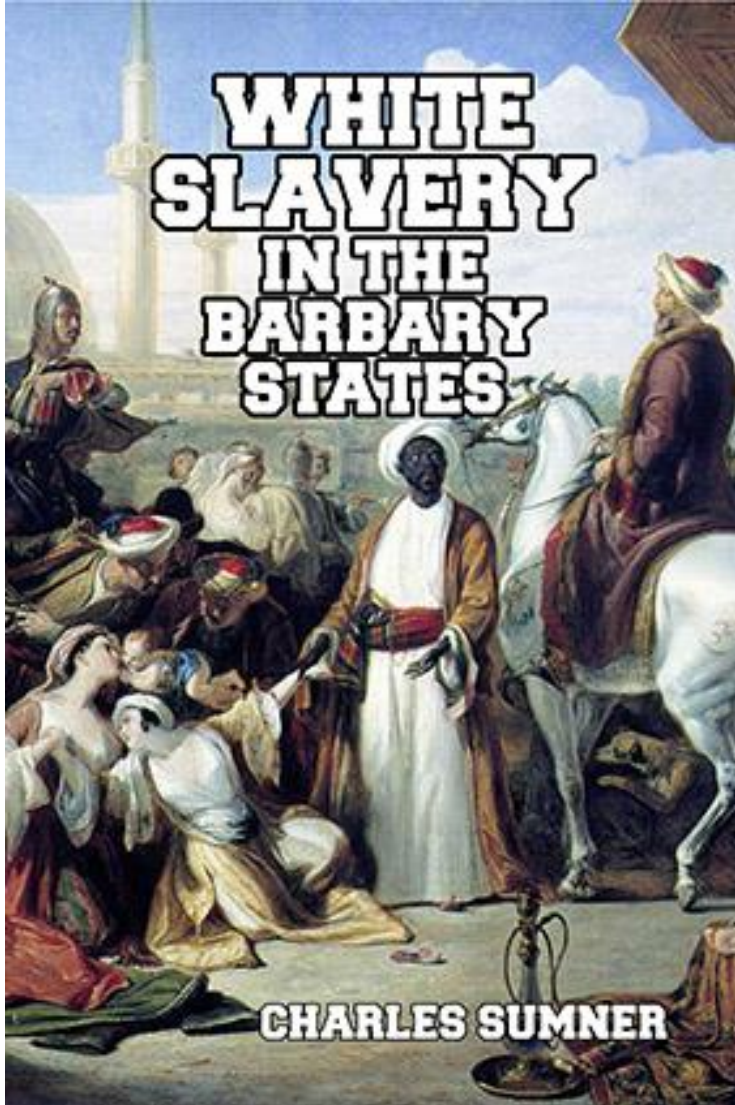
Debal (Sindh, Pakistan), Karachi (Sindh, Pakistan), Janjira (India), Surat (India), Mandvi, Kutch (India).



In addition to Africans, **over a million Europeans were captured and sold into Muslim slavery.**

Anti-slavery Senator Charles Sumner wrote the book *White Slavery in the Barbary States* (1853).

In it, he documented that



throughout the Middle Ages, Muslim Barbary pirates raided coastal towns from the eastern Mediterranean to the Netherlands, and as far north as Iceland, carrying away white Europeans as slaves.

They then sold them throughout the Ottoman Empire and the North African Barbary states of Morocco, Algiers, Salee, Oran, Tunis, Tripoli and Bacra, not stopping until forced to by the Barbary Pirate War of 1816.

Charles Sumner wrote:

"The Saracens,

with the Koran and the sword, potent ministers of conversion, next broke from Arabia, as the messengers of a new religion,

and pouring along these shores, diffused the faith and doctrines of Mohammed ... even ... entered Spain, and ... at Roncesvalles ... overthrew the embattled chivalry of the Christian world led by Charlemagne. (*The Song of Roland*) ...



White Slavery in the Barbary States

Charles Sumner

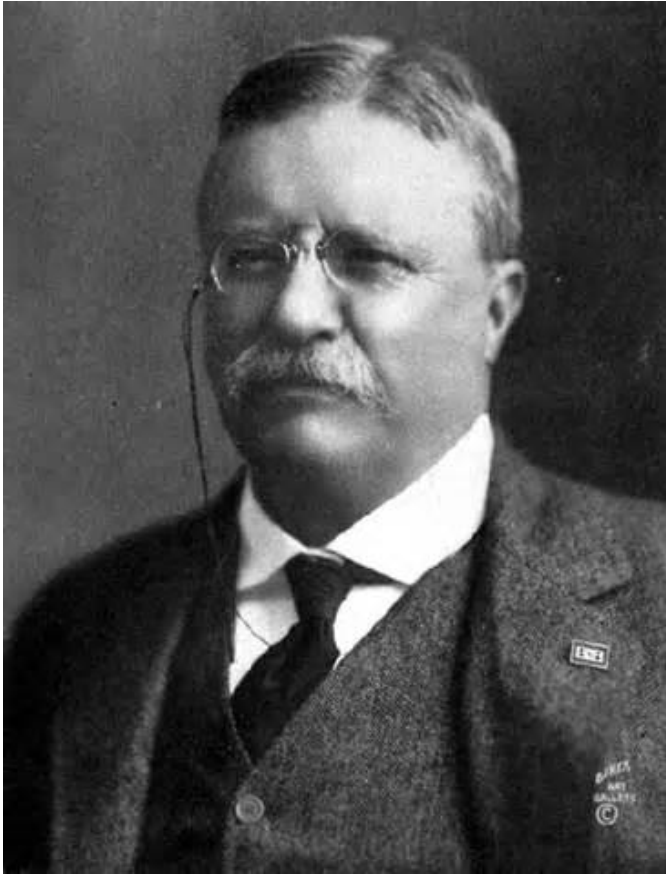
Algiers, for a long time the most obnoxious place in the Barbary States of Africa, the chief seat of Christian slavery ... the wall of the barbarian world ..."

Sumner
continued:

"And Cervantes, in the story of Don Quixote (*Man of La Mancha*) ... give(s) the narrative of a Spanish captive who had escaped from Algiers ...



The author is supposed to have drawn from his own experience; for during five and a half years he endured the horrors of Algerine slavery, from which he was finally liberated by a ransom of about six hundred dollars."



In *Fear God and Take Your Own Part*, 1916, **Theodore Roosevelt** wrote his address to the American Sociological Congress:

"The **civilization of Europe, America and Australia** exists today ... only because of the **victories of civilized man over the enemies of civilization ...**

stretching through the centuries from Charles Martel in the 8th century and those of John Sobieski in the 17th century ..."

Roosevelt continued:

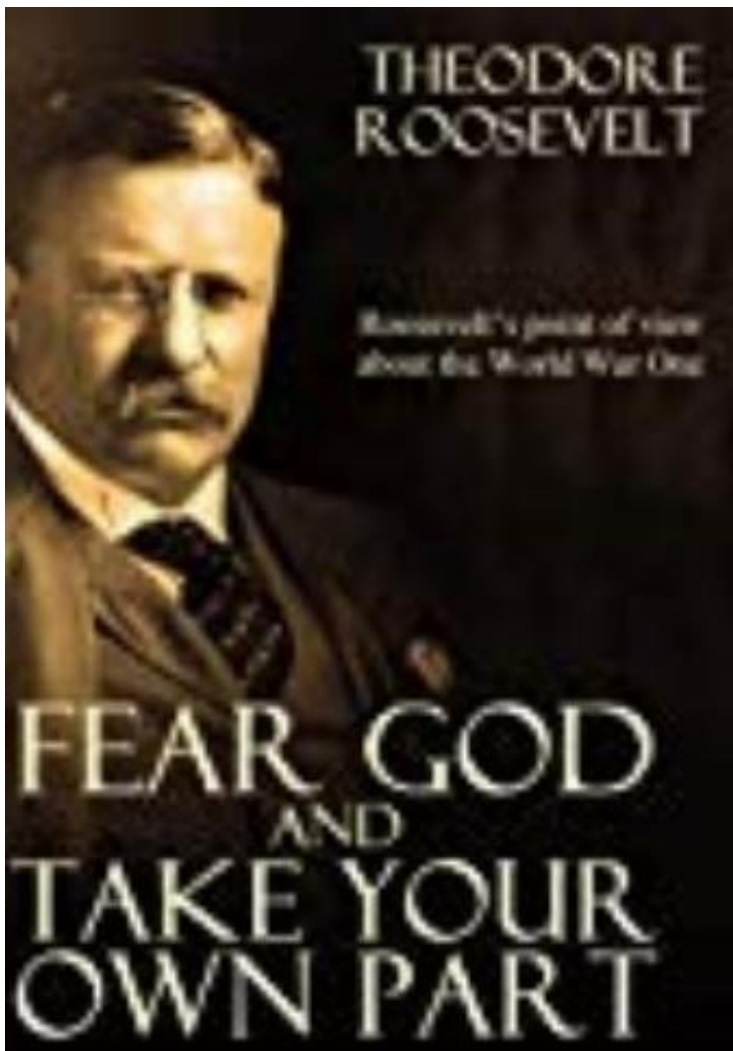
"During the thousand years that included the careers of the Frankish soldier and the Polish king, the Christians of Asia and Africa proved unable to wage successful war



with the Moslem conquerors;

and in consequence **Christianity practically vanished from the two continents;**

... and today nobody can find in them any 'social values' whatever, in the sense in which we use the words, so far as the sphere of Mohammedan influences are concerned."



In the spirit of **Julia Ward Howe's *Battle Hymn of the Republic***, **Theodore Roosevelt** concluded with a challenge:

"There are such 'social values' today in Europe, America and Australia only because ... the Christians of Europe possessed the warlike power to do what the

Christians of Asia and Africa had failed to do -- that is, to beat back the Moslem invader.

If Europe ... had not been able to defend itself ... there would have been no 'social values' ... and no sociologists to discuss them."

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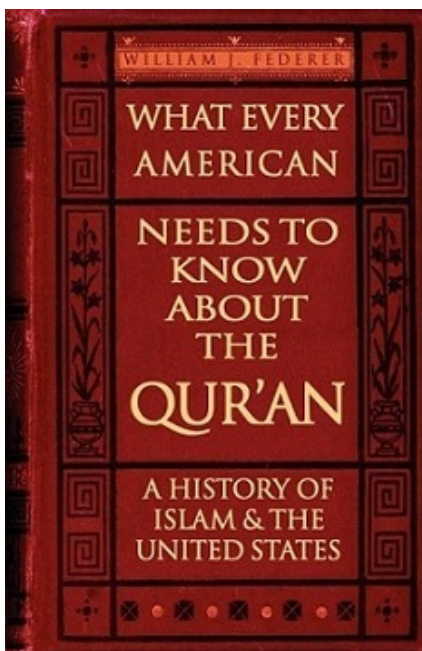
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