

quent modifications for the sake of ornament. A minute tag of the red lining of the cap is turned up in front and behind with great care, and no doubt is also a rudiment of some former appendage of the head dress. There seems to be a curious general tendency in the Atlantic islands, amongst the inhabitants, to develop strange head dresses. The hoods of the women of Azores have been described. Besides these, the men wear, or wore, in some of the islands, a curious cap, in which a pair of side flaps have been developed into a regular pair of horns, projecting vertically above the head.

I was told that Madeira wine is sometimes manufactured in the island out of red wine, the colour being taken out with animal charcoal. I knew that red wine was constantly made out of white wine, but had not suspected the opposite manufacture.

July 16th, 1873.—On our second visit to Madeira we were unable to land owing to the prevalence of small pox on shore. I visited a steamboat which came into the harbour for coals, and which was running between the Bight of Benin and Liverpool. The whole ship was covered with cages full of grey parrots; even in the fore-castle, in the seamen's sleeping-place, every available nook was full of parrots. The deck was covered with various African monkeys, and there was a large wild cat in a den, and some large snakes (Pythons) in a box. All these animals were intended for sale in Liverpool.

We left Madeira in the evening. The ship passed quickly out of the lee of the land and into the trade wind, and was soon driving along before it, dashing a sheet of foam from under the bows. There was a splendid sunset. The sky was lighted up with brilliant golden and red tints, behind and to the west of the hazy blue mountains of Madeira, in front of which floated here and there small filmy clouds. Beneath the higher mountains were the green lower ranges, half lighted up by the evening light, half in intense black shade. Lower down again, on the shore, lay the glistening white town with its dark black cliffs on either hand.

As it grew darker, the lower ranges and details of the view became gradually lost, and at last all that was to be seen was the dark outline of the mountains against the sky, with the twinkling lights of Funchal far below, and a few lights dotted about on the hill-side above. At last we lost sight of the island altogether and sped south before the breeze, not to return so far north of the equator again for nearly two years, when we reached Yeddo, in Japan, in nearly the same latitude.

For a list of works and papers relating to the Zoology of Madeira, see "Preussische Expedition nach Ost-Asien." Zoologie, Ites Kap. Madeira, pp. 1-25.