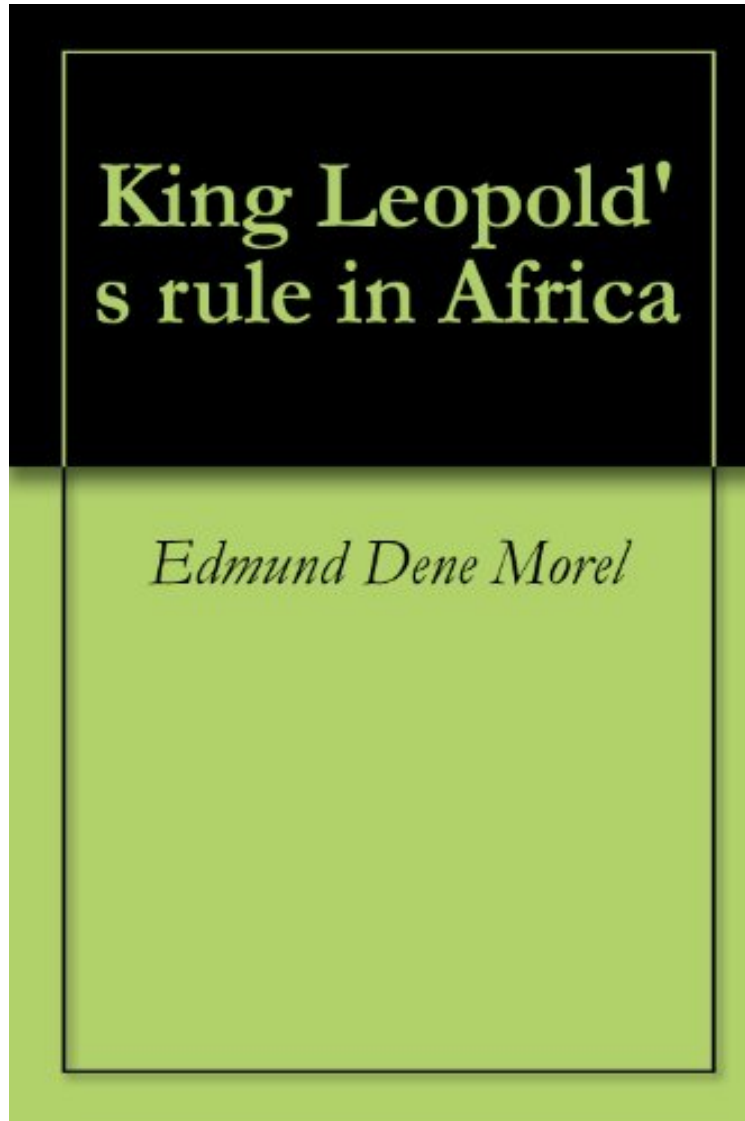


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prosperity to this part of the Dark Continent and especially to set an end the Arabic slave-trade. Controlling the delivery notes Edmund Morell discovered, that all ships that came from the Congo carried trade goods, like ivory and rubber, but no trade goods were delivered in reverse the ships that were send back to the Congo only carried weapons and ammunition. So, he concluded that there was something amiss. He found out, that indeed the Arabic slave trade had been stopped. But it was replaced by a system of oppression that exceeded the worst cruelties of any Arabic slave trader. What he discovered was a nightmare of greed and exploitation which at the time had wiped out half of the native population. Especially the demand for rubber (Mr. Dunlop had just invented the rubber tire and the development of this fancy new automobiles was in full swing) brought incredible profit into the bank accounts of King Leopold II - and despair to the Congolese natives. Morells record caused an outrage throughout Europe and eventually the end of the Congo Free State although King Leopold was busy to claim that he didnt knew nothing about whatsoever. The Congo became a Belgium colony - which barely improved conditions for the Congolese. Of course King Leopold got a compensation for the loss of his private property. By the way: Due to the rubber trade the Royal family of Belgium still belongs to the richest families in Europe. And they never apologized.

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