

PREFACE

Thousands of young, innocent girls are trapped each year and sold like cattle to the highest bidder, and by promises of good positions, misrepresentation, cajolery, threats, fake marriages, coercion, persuasion, drugging, gentle means, and brutal force, lured into a life of shame. They are guarded, watched, beaten, threatened, ruined, robbed, and they are driven into an early age. Hundreds of fiends in the form of men are engaged in this form of work. They have their organizations, rules, prices, trade secrets, secret codes, and carry on their work in a businesslike manner. In this book we aim to tell the terrible story in plain English.

It is not a literary effort, but a book of plain facts.