ade a number of different avenues, and I promenadare; while two bands alternately pose that the most of those who come flooded the air with melody. It is imposed here will walk about, else there would be no sible to imagine anything more animated eject in titting down to look at them." soghed. "You are right," he the masses of green turf and foliage, the said. "Everybody walks, for a time at sparkling fountains, the statues and great least. Here comes the music; the people clumps of lilies, made a picturesque back-

anged along the avenue were occupied, and

promenaders; while two bands alternately

than the scene. The long vistas of shade,

oncern through the elegant throng

"Fate has given her too much," said Der-

went, "Such beauty, and the fortune of a

whom he admires has the bad taste to marry

"Very well," said Derwent, rising. He

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dia before the crowd comes in."

ground for the figures that passed in well-A group of men in uniform, carrying large brass instruments, passed by and mounted in single file the flight of steps leading to one of the picturesque music-pavilions erected in different parts of the part. Derwent followed them with his gase, observing how well the gold braid with which they were pro-fusely decorated gleamed through the green silken skirts and point-lace parasols, came

foliage that surrounded the stand.

men and women who might have stepped from an aboriginal forest, with their dark said, half absently, "that these people have such an artistic genius, and know just how serape or rebozo,—some passing with calm to give a touch of color and grace to every- unc others offering here and there the bright hard are in the line of conundrums," hard dulces which they bore on trays.

replied Morell, "I can give you a better one than that. How is it that these people are than that. How is it that these people are of infernally slow in all their transactions of the scene with eyes full of interest, that a man who comes here to do any kind of business must pass the best part of his time in waiting on their procrastination? By Jove! I sometimes think that I will throw up everything and leave the county!"

The other looked at him inquiringly. "What is the matter?" he asked. "Has anything annoying occurred?" He knew that the outburst had not been without a purpose.

Marell, who was religing a cigarette, did

Morell, who was rolling a cigarette did not answer until he had placed it between his lips, lighted it behind the flap of the creation of Worth or Felix can rival in bolittle box of war tapers which every Mexi- cominguess, and on the younger many eyes n carries, and returned the box to his besides those of Derwent were fastened.

Chest. Then he said, "I have had letters She was indeed a beautiful creature,—her this morning, and there is trouble about that beauty being the supreme expression of the

"What! the one you have effered me?"

"The same. The man who offered it to me, and assured me that he had it in his faces that went by, but here was a face that hand, so to speak, now writes that there is fascinated by a distinction altogother its trouble with the owners. They are wrarglown. The complexion was like ivory in ing among themselves: some don't want to tint and texture, the features of exquisite delicacy had a certain fine nobility of out-

"Indeed!" said Derwent. He was a lit- line which gave a lofty expression to the the surprised, but quite cool. Partly by temperament, partly by cultivation of habit, he had an importurbable self-possession which seldom failed, and often served him and dark and splendid that they would have in situations where other men lost control of themselves and consequently of events.

"In that case," he said, quietly, "I had better think no more about it, and take up lines, and she walked with the unconscious

something eles."

"It is the best thing of which I know,"
and a proud dignity that seemed specially
her own. Dressed simply but richly in
in getting it; but it is the way of the people
black, with the lace mantilla draping her to make such obstacles and delays. Fer-beautiful head, she passed among the nandez says that the matter will come right, throng like a stately young queen among her but that we must have patience and use a subjects.

Ittle diplomacy. Confound them! I should like to use something much more black," said Morell. "She is the most back!"

beautiful woman in Mexico, and one of the Mohest, —Dona Zarifa, Ormond y Cardella."

suspected that a little diplomacy was being used for his benefit; although Morell'a irritation of the Spanish name?" tation certainly seemed altogether genuine.

But he did not commit himself to say expression of such a suspicion. Time would barouet, he married Senorita Carlo and the suspicion. pression of such a suspicion. Time would show, he thought, now the matter stood; and meanwhile he would bear himself cautiously. A burst of music from the band mear by filled the sic at this moment and made a melodious accompaniment to his thoughts. Presently he said, with the same oppular in Mexico by heartily adopting the country and managing his wife's estates

country and managing his wife's estates They do not understand promptaess in business, and when you try to press matters eat estates in Mexico." est estates in Mexico." they take your haste for anxiety, and either double their price or hold back all the more. The diplomacy required is a policy of apparent indifference. Fernander cays that he will leave them severely alone for a time, and he believes that those who want to sell the fortune are well matched. She looks like a princess, besides being dowered as few

will make the others come to terms." "that anything so indeficite as that does princess are. Be sure the men who hope to not suit me at all," said Derwent, "When marry her would not have the last charm I came here on your representation, I lessened," he added with a laugh. thought that you had property which you could put into my hands at once. If you have not, I must seek what I, desire elseto any man of ordinary mould and men

"My dear fellow, you are like all "Americans when they come into this country; you
"Most of these in sight would differ with expect to be able to do business as it is you," said Morell. "Did you ever know a done in the States. But the first lesson to man who thought himself of mould too ordinbe learned is that this is impossible. You ary for any woman to stoop to? Dona Zariffa must be patient if you wish to accomplish has suitors and to spare; and, unless she is

very unlike other women, she would not dis-"Patience is a virtue in which I have pense with one of them." never found myself deficient, -when it was . "Her looks are deceptive if she is not unrequired," said Derwent, calmly; "but there like other women," said Derwent. "I are times, as we all know, when it ceases to should like to glance into the future and see be virtue. And one of these times is what she will make of the gifts Fortune has surely when people who own property do showered on her so lavishly,—what not want to sell it."

"But the fools do want to sell," replied I should only be disappointed if I did." Morell, growing a little excited in manner. "It is only their way of securing, if possible, a higher price."

"Be kind enough, then, to let them know, another man. I have heard that Dona Zarthrough your friend Senor Fernandez, that I if a will probably marry her kinsman Senor have no intention of paying more than we have already agreed upon for that mine. If family. Now let me suggest that it is time I find it all that it has been represented, I will for lunch, and that we hal better go and give twenty thousand dollars for it, - not a secure a table at the Anglais or the Concor

"It is really worth a great deal more, you know," said Morell, in a confidential tone. was a strangely strung, fastidious being, and "I take it for granted that it is, and I the last item of information about the darkhope to make much more out of it," return- eyed princess had taken from him the desired to linger for another glimpse of her. ed the other, cooly. "But that has been their price; and it is the largest amount that I am able to give. If they do not take it, I must, as I have said, look elsewhere for an investment. You can surely make this plain enough for even a Mexican to understand. And I shall be glad to know as soon as pos sible if it is worth while for me to go and look at it or not. That is all." It was now Morell's turn to be silent, and

as he smoked he gave one or two quick glances at the face beside him. It was a face so pleasant that many people were deceived altogether with regard to the character of which it was an index. Only those who knew Geoffrey Derwent well were a-ware that under the sunny, debonaire charm of his manner and appearance there was a very resolute nature. Obstinate he was not, -for obstinacy is always allied with intellectual weakness; but when he had once seen clearly and resolved firmly he acted inflexibly. There were certain lines about his straight nose and well-cut mouth which would have made this evident at once to a physiognomist, and which struck Morell now as he glanced at the profile presented to him, -a handsome profile, that, with the perpendicular brow and firmlyrounded chin, would not have looked amiss on a bronze medal. It was only in profile that this expression was caught. The eyes dominate the face, and Derwent's gray eyes were full of the frank and pleasant good nature with which he regarded all the world unless specially roused to other sentiments; while one does not often see a more attractive smile than that which now and then made his white teeth gleam under

the sweeping brown moustache. Having uttered his ultimutum, he said nothing more; and indeed the scene before im was now striking enough to engage the ttention of any one who saw it for the first time: The beautiful sylvan park had suddenly become a theatre on which the fashionable world was displaying itself in full force and with all its gayest plumes. Every seat was filled, all the chairs so earefully ar-

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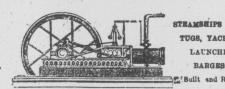
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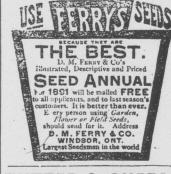
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