

may be remembered, was said, on her journey through the Low Countries, to have promised Montigny's family to intercede with her lord in his behalf. But the king, perhaps willing to be spared the awkwardness of refusing the first boon asked by his young bride, disposed of his victim soon after her landing, while she was yet in the north.

Anne entered the *alcazar* amidst salvoes of artillery. She found there the good Princess Joanna, Philip's sister, who received her with the same womanly kindness which she had shown twelve years before to Elizabeth of France, when, on a similar occasion, she made her first entrance into Castile. The marriage was appointed to take place on the following day, the fourteenth of November. Philip, it is said, obtained his first view of his betrothed when, mingling in disguise among the cavalcade of courtiers, he accompanied her entrance into the capital.<sup>36</sup> When he had led his late queen, Isabella, to the altar, some white hairs on his temples attracted her attention.<sup>37</sup> During the ten years which had since elapsed, the cares of office had wrought the same effect on him as on his father, and turned his head prematurely gray. The marriage was solemnized with great pomp in the cathedral of Segovia. The service was performed by the archbishop of Seville. The spacious building was crowded to overflowing with spectators, among whom were the highest dignitaries of the Church and the most illustrious of the nobility of Spain.<sup>38</sup>

<sup>36</sup> Florez, *Reynas Catholicas*, ubi supra.

<sup>37</sup> *Ante*, vol. i. p. 415.

<sup>38</sup> Florez, *Reynas Catholicas*, tom. ii. p. 908.—Cabrera, *Filipe Segundo*, p. 661.