A LEGEND OF BRUSSELS.

At a period of time not very precisely ascertainable, but which cannot have been very far removed from our own, there stood, in a kind of cul-de-sac of the Rue Notre Dame du Sommeil, at Brussels, a small house of simple appearance, the proprietor of which was an esteemed architect of that city named Olivier.

the ground solid and adapted to his purpose, but he discovered, when too late, Ye that it was murshy and wholly insecure; so that in the great and unforeseen exof the works were completed spent most of his time in the entertainment of parties of pleasure. without power even to pay his work-

The thought that he would be dishonored -that the men he had employed were wanting bread-drove him to despair. He inurried to his friends and besought have been first to offer him their purses when they knew he would not have acrepted them, now excused themselves upon the shallowest pretexts; and he re-curred, not only empty-handed, bu. dis-

more despairing than ever.

For a time he shut himself up and hought and meditated upon his position, but could come to no satisfactory conclusion. All those upon whom he benim. There remained but one person upon whose affection he could rely—this was a young widow whom he tenderly loved and whom he had hoped to marry. Happy-in spite of the unhappy occasion-to prove in any way the love she bore him, this lady hastened to place at his disposal all that she possessed; those resources were altogether insufficient, but her devotion in placing them at his command had the happiest effect in sustaining her love; for without the full certainty of her love he would surely have destroyed himself.

One dark and stormy evening, weary, desperate, and half resolved to fly from the city during the night, he returned to his dwelling. On entering, his servant anaounced that a gentleman was awaiting him. He went upstairs, and, why he scarcely knew, but it was with surprise that he saw, seated by the fire in his chamber, a stranger habited in green

"You are in embarrassed circumstances," said this person, brusquely.
"Who has told you?" asked Olivier.
"Your friends."
"Already!" sighed the architect.

"Some hours ago," said the stranger.
To-morrow—if nobody comes to your assistance meanwhile-you will be lost! "You are, alas! too well informed. May I ask the motive of your visit?

The candles, which the servant had lit efore leaving the room, burned palely. The stranger in green was silent, but his eyes glowed as if they had been burning coals, and about his thin and compressed lips there played fitfully a smile some moments upon

"I have interested myself in your Olivier started; he would have pressed he hand of him whom he already looked upon as his savior, but the other

the agitated architect, he answered:

avoided his grasp,
"Pray, understand me!" he said; "I
let money out—at interest!"

"My life, my soul, shall be yours!" cried Olivier.

The stranger's eyes dilated and seem ed to dart forth pale lightnings.

"Of what sum have you need?" he lemanded.

"Oh, to meet the demands of the moment only, a small sum would suffice; aut it you would enable me to save my honor, and complete the work I have andertaken — a - hundred - thousand

"You shall have them, if my conditions suit you," said the stranger.
"I agree to them without asking

what they are," cried Olivier, "it is heaven that has sent you to my relief."

"Not—not exactly so," stammered the person in green, between his teeth. "You must not engage yourself without first knowing what you will have to do, in the event of our concluding a bargain. I have come a considerable distance to assure myself concerning you. Without flattery, I may say I appreciate your talents, and should wish to have you wholly at my disposal."

"In life and death!" cried Olivier. " Very good!" said the stranger. "Pil agree to give you ten years to clear up your affairs; at the end of that time you will be ready to follow me-it may be a good way from this place; I shall be your muster; you will devote yourself to me exclusively."

As he spoke, he selected from a large green pocket book a hundred thousand francs in bills drawn on the best houses of Brussels.

Olivier, surprised without being able to account for the feelings that took possession of him, regarded his guest with a momentarily increasing inquictude.

'Remember," said the stranger, as if in answer to what was passing in the mind of the agitated architect, "remember, that for want of this money you were almost about to make away with yourself!" He presented a small strip of parchment with one hand, and with the other a pen of gold.

"Excuse me," said Olivier; "this scene somewhat confuses me. I do not

know you-and-" What does that matter?" said the unknown. "As I before told you, I ap preciate your talents, and take a strong interest in you; I do not, however, wish to make myself known to you at present. Take this money. To morrow you will regain your credit. A young and lovely bride awaits you. You hesi at !-a hundred thousand trancs are not enough? lere are a million!"

LA sort of delirium seized Ofivier; he

his reach to make him rich and glorious

his reach to make him fich and glorious for the rest of his life; he snatched the pen, and signed the document.

I When he had traced the last character, the stranger in green took up the parchment, folded it carefully, placed it in his large pocket-book, and retired, saying a per per out.

ing, as he went out:

This day ten years, then, you will be good enough to be ready. I shall come or you!"

One may easily imagine that Olivier was not much inclined to sleep, but passed that night in counting over his treasure and in laying out plans for the future. The next day he met all his en-By his exertions this Olivier had gagements (giving out that he had been gained a modest fortune, with which he determined to construct the bridge and number of workmen. In a little time sluice that crossed the Senne at its entrance into Brussels, between the Port ried the young widow, of whose affection de Hal and the Porte d'Anderlecht. At he had been so well assured. But the the spot chosen he had expected to find secret of his wealth he revealed to no

Years passed away; his enterprise prospered; children sprang up about him; his ample fortune brought him penses of fixing his foundations on this unsuitable soil, he soon saw the whole the Porte de Flandre and the Porte du of his means exhausted. Not a third Rivage he built a little house, and there

During nine years, Olivier lived without feeling any great uneasiness as to the future; but, as he saw the moment approaching when according to the terms of the contract, he would have to quit all that he held dear to follow the their assistance; but those who would unknown-his master-his heart began to be troubled; inexplicable fear took possession of him; he could not sleep he grewthin and haggard. In vain his wite, who loved him tenderly, endeavored to discover the hidden cause of his enchanted of his trust in friendship, and distress; the secret that was locked within his bosom was inaccessible. The caresses of his little son and daughter but augmented his sufferings. He was seen to weep; and thrice, in their walks, his wife remarked that, on approaching lieved he might reckon had abundoned the bridge which he himself had built, he trembled violently.

At length the dreaded day arrived when the stranger was to come to exact the fulfilment of the bargain he had made. Olivier invited all his friends and relations, with those of his wife, who, not knowing how to cheer her drooping husband, sent for the good old Jean Van Nuffel, pastor of Sainte Gudule, in whom Olivier had much confidence. and who had for some time past been anxiously observant of his conduct.

They had been about an hour at table, when Olivier, who was frightly pale. and vainly strove to gain courage in deep and frequent draughts of wine, heard the clock strike slowly-and with horrible distinctness, as it seemed to him—the hour of eleven; to a moment, the hour at which, ten years ago, the unknown had quitted him. With a convulsive start, and in agony, as the clock ceased to strike, he stretched his hand towards the wine, but found the bottles all empty. He ordered his servant to go down to the cellar and return quickly with more.

Taking a candle, the servant bastened to obey. Descending rapidly, she nearly reached the bottom of the stairs before she observed, seated on the lowest step, a tall man, of sombre visage, dressed in green velvet. Starting back in a fright at the stranger's unexpected appearance. she tremblingly demanded what he

"Tell your master that I wait for him," he answered: "he will know whom !"

The servant hurried back to her masa indescribable bitterness. After fixing ter and related what she had seen, and Cossroom. the message the stranger had given her

seeing that he could not longer keep the secret of his fate, he told the story of his | tion. adventure. Having told this, he arose, filled with despair. His wife and children and his friends were overwhelmed

with terror.
"Nay!" said the old priest, "do not so soon give way to despair! Let some one request the stranger to ascend hither!" The wife threw herself at the feet of his hands with kisses. A ray of hope fell

upon the leart of the architect. The servant, making a courageous effort, went to the head of the stairs, and called to the unknown that he was waited for above.

A moment after and he entered the chamber, holding in his hand the engagement signed by Olivier. An indefinable smile played about his mouth and eyes. as he noticed the presence of the priest.
"You did not expect to find me here?"
said the clergyman. "You know I have

some power over you!" The stranger appeared uneasy.

"I have a favor to ask," said the pastor, producing a small measure filled with millet seed. "Grant us a few moments respite: swear to leave Olivier in peace until you have put back, seed by seed, all the millet contained in this measure, atter I have emptied it?"

"I consent!" cried the stranger in green, with a low, short laugh. "Swear by the living God!" said the priest, beginning to pour the seed upon

the flour. The unknown shuddered, and said, in voice scarcely audible: "I swear it!" He then began to gather up the scatter-

ed seed with frightful rapidity. At a sign from the good priest, unnoticed by the stranger, a be retieve was handed to him, and into the holy water it contained he threw the remaining

In a very few seconds the stranger in green had picked up all the seeds that had been spilled upon the floor, and he turned exultingly to accomplish the rest of his task; but he had no sooner touched the seed that was in the benetiere than he gave a horrible cry, and disappeared down a black abyss that opened at his

So the architect was saved; and from that time, the hight of the sluice between Porte de Hai and the Port d'Anderlecht was called the "Pont du Diable." -Catholic Standard.

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and Lear.) 3. Romance of Adam and

Eve. 4. Alexander Pope, 5. Samuel

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