



A MAGNIFICENT AVENUE NEAR THE PALACE, CHAPULTEPEC.

Naturally the hierarchy were aroused; a plot originated for placing Maximilian of Austria on the throne of Mexico. Supported by Austrian gold, French troops and the blessing of the Pope, this descendant of a loyal Catholic house crossed the sea and set up his court, driving Juarez to the frontier. The hands of the United States were, at that time, tied by the Civil War, but at its close the French Emperor, Napoleon III., was gently reminded of "the Monroe Doctrine." Unwilling at that time to risk a quarrel with the United States, he

withdrew the French troops, and the patriot army forthwith recaptured the government for their president, Juarez. Monasteries and nunneries were being secularized everywhere for the good of the nation when the Protestant forces came into the field.

In February of 1873 Dr. Butler arrived in Mexico. He reached the capital by way of the first railroad that had been opened in the republic, and which had just been completed. This road is still considered one of the marvels of modern engineering, climbing as it does eight thousand feet



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