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CHRISTMAS NIGHT.

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E LANDED, my tre

and after following a hair naked fellow driving two bullocks attached to a truck cart loaded with rawhides about half a mile, at last found ourselves in the "Meson de San Ignacio." It was a dirty hovel, built of the unburnt brick or "adobes" of that country, and used for every nurses entraining to the occupation.

every purpose pertaining to the occupation of mine host in that civilized land. It had but one room, long, narrow and without light except from the door, and in one corner was built a little fire, where a short fat

woman in white chemise and red flannel petticoat was making tortillas, while we were shown to the other end and told to make ourselves at home on a long bench

overed with sheepskins,

The major domo tumbled two of the raw

hides down at our feet, and with many carrachos tramped the wrinkles out to make them lie flat and then piled the rest

of them in the middle of the room. Coffee, tortillas and dried mutton furnished our repast, and soon afterward we wrapped our "serapes" around us and betook ourselves

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to the sheepskins, having previously made arrangements for seats in the diligencia for Merida on the following day.

About daybreak we were roused by a tremendous lumbering at the door, and after a volley of quaint Spanish curses addressed to several mules, each of which he addressed by the name of some saint, a little parchment faced fellow, with jingling spurs, a broad sombrero, a thick blanket and a heavy whip, made his appearance, calling

heavy whip, made his appearance, calling for his breakfast. By this time O'Farrell, my companion, was dressed and out to inspect our convey-

"El diligencia, senor," replied the host, touching his sombrero.
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"Is that the Spanish for cart?" said Jerry, turning to me.

"In this case, certainly," I replied,
"though not usually, I believe."

Further comments were prevented by an imposing summons from our host, and in 10 minutes we had disposed of a reasonable quantity of the goat's flesh and tortillas, washed it down with some strong coffee and returned to the street, where by this time were assembled several senores, with their blankets covering half their faces and their sombreros the other half, gravely inspecting what Jerry irreverently insinuated should be called a cart.

"Tres reales, senor," said the don to my question for his bill, and he received the money with a lofty bow, which no doubt

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'Cheap enough," said I, handing him the

the little courier. The crowd of senors gravely raised their hats, the major domo bowed like a hidalgo and we were off. I looked back and saw the crowd close eager-

ly round "mine host" to inquire about the strangers, and the noble keeper of the "meson" drew himself proudly up to give an account of his "illustrious guests." A

turn in the road hid them from view, and

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Our journey to the capital afforded ne incident worthy of narration, unless indeed two "breakdowns" and Antonio's dexterity in patching up be deemed so, and about half an hour after sunset we drove into the deserted streets of "the city." All our friend Antonio's "lsta, mulas," and "Santas" were not sufficient to raise a trot, and in a "most musical, most melancholy" walk we creaked through the wide oak door of the "Meson Santisgon" or "St

mulas! Santa Maria! Santa

ing companion and I, just as the Christmas holidays

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door of the "Meson Santiago," or "St. James hotel." Mother Pepa, whose latitude and longitude differed but little in degree, stood in the paved court, and with means abortive courteries received the guests, who in this country are always "illustrious."

Jerry took her hand and saluted her fat cheek, telling her he was "devilish glad to see her," and I followed the cordial pair into the best room, where a table was already set with red beans, goat's flesh, tortillas and coffee. Jerry stopped at the door and held a short colloquy with the "madre," while I listened to the music—the "diligential" and the "madre," while I have the "madre," while I listened to the music—the "diligential" and the "madre," where the "diligential" and the "madre," where the "diligential" and the "madre," where the "madre," and "madre," a

cia" and the "carrachos" being stilled at last—I was enabled to hear from an upper room on the other side of the court. "Why, Jerry," said I as he entered, sending the old abbess off in a quick waddle, "you seem to know where you are."

"Know where I am? Certainly I do!" he exclaimed. "I've been here before—spent two months here once. And, by the by, we're just in town. Don't you hear the music?" "Yes, but I'd know we were in town without that," I answered.

"Not so deep in town, though," he rejoined, "for there is a 'fandango' up there, my boy. See," he continued, slapping me on the back, "see what a thing it is to travity in good company. We have the entre

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"Good!" I exclaimed, entering into the spirit of the thing, for pleasure was what we were after.

"Or." said Jerry, "as they say here, Mucho bueno.' Speak Spanish, my boy, or you will never get along here, for d—the word do any of these people know of Eng lish."

"Well, well, don't swear, Jerry! I'll rub up my Spanish."

Jerry was an Irishman himself by blood, as his name indicates. So my readers will excuse him. At any rate, I did, for in less than half an hour his energetic, though somewhat equivocal, Spanish had given us the entree into the room where was assembled the elite of the city of Merida.

"Here, Tom." said he, dragging me across the room; "come this way, my boy, and let me introduce you."

They were dancing some cross between a cotillon and a reel, as Jerry said, and as we made our way round the figure we passed a group standing in one of the windows, which were all embayed and grated with iron, but contained no glass. A young man with a profusion of gold coins on the outside seam of his slashed pantalcoms and a very heavy ring on his forefinger stepped out and was extremely glad to see Jerry, shaking him by the hand and seeming inclined even to mbrace him. Jerry was glad to see him also and introduced me with a good deal of impressiveness. "Doo Bento de la Torre," he called him and treated him with far more respect than I thought his sinister look warranted.

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"Thank you many times," said Benito.
"They are all well."

"This way, senor," said he, and started at a quick pace down one of the shell walks which traversed the garden in every direction. He hurried me so fast and I was so politely. It seemed to me that the subject was unpleasant, and I pulled Jerry's arm.

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"The mannerless churi," Jerry exclaimed.
"not to invite us to his father's house, the finest place and the prettiest girl in Me fide! I have no patience with him!"

We stopped before a refreshment table, behind which sat ap old fat woman, serv [Continued on 4th Page.]

General News and Notes. The annual influx of tramps into Toronto rom Buffalo bas commenced.

ing the guests with wines, liquors, nuts, cakes, cigaritas or coffee, as suited their various tastes, and receiving the reals which each paid for his entertainment. This was the only ball bill to pay. Each cavalier, after dancing, took his partner to the table, if she desired refreshment, drank something himself or took a cigarita, and paid his money. "Those who danced paid the bill," including music, too, I suppose, for those who did not dance had nothing to pay unless they chose. We took a glass of Dr. Stephen, tutor of the children of the Emperor William of Germany has been stricken with insanity. or those who did not dance had nothing to pay unless they chose. We took a glass of the wine of the country—a white wine, made from a small, yellow grape—and were-leaving the table when Jerry turned sud-denly to the right, having been tapped by a fan

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fan.

"By Jove, Tom, here she is now!" he exclaimed, and seized the small, thin white hand of a very beautiful girl who had called his attention. She smiled very sweetly, and her large black eyes seemed to smile even more than her small, white teeth. O'Farrell lowered his voice and moderated the boisterousness of his manner, for, like all Irishmen, he was constitutionally a gentleman. Henry S. Cochrane, ex chief watcher i seven years for stealing \$135,000 worth of ionally a gentleman.
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"When did you come to Merida again?" she asked in those sweet, liquid tones which only a southern beauty is mistress of.
"Only to night; not an horr ago," said O'Farrell. "But we are going to stay as long as you will let us."
"We!" she exclaimed, looking steadily at me. "We!"
"My young friend and traveling companion, Tom Conover," said Jerry, dragging me nearer. "La Senora Carlotta de la Torre, the prettiest girl in Merida," he added in a the prettiest girl in Merida," he added in a

the prettiest girl in Merida," he added in a whisper, which of course she heard, as he intended. She gave me her hand in the most artless manner possible. I took it and pressed it warmly.

"I hope his visit to our city will be pleasant," said she.

"If I meet you often, it certainly will," said I boldly; at least I thought it boldly, for then but 18 summers had rolled over my head.

An explosion occured on Sunday night in the arsenal, Belgrade, owing to the careless removal of some cartridges. Eight persons were killed.

The grippe has made its re-appearance in Quebec, and a large number of citizene are suffering from it.

my head.
"Oh, that you shall do certainly," she said, and in five minutes more we had joined the waltzers and were whirling around the long room in the graceful gyrations of that ITCH, on human or animals, cured in 30 minutes by Woolford's Sanitary Lotion. Warranted J. Pallen, & Son. Information from Rio Janeiro indicates giddy dance.

This lasted a long time, until I was dizzy, and then we went to a window. Opening that Peixoto is preparing for a big battle with Admiral Mello. the grating, we found ourselves upon a bal-

the grating, we found ourselves upon a balcony without, where the moon was shining down calm and still, and the city lay beneath us as quiet as the "City of the Dead." We walked away from the window till the hum and bustle of the fandango were hardly audible, and the liquid notes of a flageolet came up in the quiet street from an orange grove, through which was visible a little stream, shining in the moonlight among the dark green foliage like a silver among the dark green foliage like a silver from horses, Blood Spavin, Curbs, Splints,

orange grove, through which was visible a little stream, shining in the moonlight among the dark green foliage like a silver thread.

We listened a long time and talked in subdued tones, like two romantic children as we were. And she showed me her unsawe were. And she showed me her unsawe were. We listened a long time and talked in subdued tones, like two romantic children as we were. And she showed me her uncle's residence, dimly visible in the moon-light across the tops of the low, flat roofed houses. The gardens around it were full of trees, whose tropical foliage looked like a and Great Northern Railway was held up

deep shade upon an exquisite picture. She told me she lived with her uncle, and invited me to come there often, and of course I promised to do so, and then dimly con-



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SHE INVITED ME TO COME THERE OFTEN

tula and la cachucha, and then she essayed

to teach me the bolero and laughed sweet

with white teeth and black eyes.

CHAPTER II.

Love sought is good, but given unsought is better.—Twelfth Night.

We were employed on the following day until afternoon in settling ourselves in our new quarters and making arrangements

to teach me the bolero and laughed sweetly when I failed in the steps. At last I noticed Benito scowling at her in reproach
and became suddenly conscious that I had
been with her nearly four hours.

"Come, Tom," said O'Farrell, "we must
go. You have had a good time, I hope, with
Carlotta?"

We both blushed—neither knew why.
But Jerry and Benito both suspected why,
for while the former pulled at me the lat-But Jerry and Benito both suspected why, for while the former pulled at me the latter came abruptly up to Carlotta and drew her arm within his. She turned her head and gazed at me as we left, with a long, sweet, inviting look, as if she regretted to be parted and wished to meet again, as I believe she did and am certain I did.

"You're young and green," said Jerry when we reached our room. "The first thing you know that fellow will be hiring some one to assassinate you, as he served me last year, the puppy! Carlotta is his consin and lives with his father. Her parents are dead, and she was afianced in infancy, according to the custom of the country. So, you see, she is just as good as Benito's wife."

"Better, I think," said I. But Jerry turned over and was asleep before I could ask him more. I followed his example, and of course dreamed of a light fairy form REAL ESTATE AT LOWER NAPAN Wednesday 3rd of January next at noon in front of the Post Office in Chatham, unless previously sold by private sale, For further particulars apply to the subscriber.

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