aised the Pyramids of Nile.

But those who traced thy gergeous espitals
And tinted them with all the rainbows hue A book was dearest of all earthly things Told of their deeds, their legends and their

Thou wast the last great effort of free hands In a free nation's literatures, for soon The stranger came and spoke an alien ton gue That brought slow poison to the nation's life

Thy language lived, but 'twasalife in death; For every year the stranger's idiom spread; And soon men wondered o'er thy time-torn

They wondered at thy beauty, but knew not Their own sires' language that was writ in And so the poison worked and worketh still;

And so a nation vanishes from sight When the main anchor of her natio Is cast away by suicidal hands. O ye who try to save a ruined land, And lift her up from darkness into light,

To place a diadem on the pallid brow.— To make rich life-blood circle in the veins,

That knew no freedom for thousand year The Roman, Goth, the Vandal and the Turk Trampled upon her through long centuries They revelled in her ruin, and they razed Her noblest temples,—levelled to the dust

Still clung like heroes to their mother-ton

And Greece to-day is free and full of hope, Free as when Xerxes fled before her swo

Free as "the Spartan borne upon his shield," If Ireland's liberty be regarded, 'Tis soul and sentiment must make her free. The men who look not backward to her past Can never shape her future. All the gold

No nationhood was ever gained by gold. Those who despise her old, her heroes' ton The language of her warriors and her saints, n which they wrote and prayed

Of all the earth can't bring her back to life;

and sang, Can never bring her back her liberty. Must guide them; then, like glorious Greece, May Ireland rise and be again a nation!

## SIMON VERDE.

CHAPTER I.

Every one who has been on the Guadalquivir must have observed the little towns that are passed on the way to the noble city of Saville, to the right so much attention that the acorns were liquid to Mr. Frog. 'Ranoque (froggy), is best and most sensible young men of in descending, to the left in ascending the river. La Puebla, that comes first in going up from the sea, is large, compact, destitute of trees, and more devoted to agricultural than to the devoted to agricultural than to the river and shipping interests. The india autumn wheat always comes up 'Children, you des (hats) either to the grandees, princes or kings who often pass by them. The bitious than its neighbor, adorns its and not of famine,' said the mason. banks with gardens, and is proud of banks with gardens, and is proud of the Betis, giving its name to one of the ear for two thousand reals, said little army under her to be quiet. Althe steamers plying upon that river the Alcalde. Coria boasts a manufacture of liquorice, which grows and is prepared here; Simon Verde. After some debate and is a cheerful place, famous for when the mason took the Alcalde's bull fights. Gelves, the third of these part, the crop was sold for three thoulittle towns, rises modestly and grace- sand reals, a ruinous bargain for Sia hill, upon which stand, side by side, forming one edifice, the Church and the Palace of the Counts of Gelves, belonging to the House of Viba. This, the prettiest of the four miniature mother still called 'my child,' an epicities, is built with the symmetry and thet generally bestowed upon him picturesqueness of a toy village. The satirically. last. San Juan de Alfarache, certainly
owes the preference it enjoys to its
good houses and vicinity to the capital; for in beauty and position the
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Between the latter town and the river

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Tt's your own fault, Simon Verde, modest rural Gelves has the advantage Between the latter town and the river a green common extends, and between of the church and palace, is a wooded slope of trees and flowers, the houses being scattered on both sides of this slope of trees and flowers, the houses being scattered on both sides of this shrubbery, especially to the left. This house owes its pious name of palace morally to the grand arms estentatiously displayed upon it; actually to the simplicity of the cottages our Nicholas the carter enough to buy an ory Has he repaid yon?

The grandmother, who heard the arrill voice, answered: 'The cuckoo is the most disreputable of birds. It goes to the nests of other birds and the simplicity of the cottages our Nicholas the carter enough to buy an east their eggs leaving its own in their place. As soon as the cuckoos are batched the greedy hirds set their feet. river side is divided by a path connecting La Puebla and Coria with the

When our atory begins, it was the peaceful hour of twilight. The sun had set behind the mountain, and the clive trees were tinged with the reflected glory of the King of light. A refreshing breeze, wafted from the river, pervaded the reeds and willow branches, confiding to these gentle friends the secrets which it did not wish to be lost in the cruel vastness of the cream. The moon shone brilliant ly upon it as she gradually succeeded the sun, and a boat with white sails their children. I know several who it to do of eating them, and one day the bittern said to the fox that he would gay the bittern said to the fox that he would gay the bittern said to the fox that he would gay the bittern said to the fox that he would gay the sains it has a bit of a beauty of the cash glory on the sun, and a boat with white sails their children. I know several who it is did not the girls, here in a white butterfly on this rose to bear our messages to Mary, and a fly to the sun, and a boat with white sails their children. I know several who

faithful vigilance by the approaching durkness. All timid creatures gained courage; the stars shone forth from their appointed position; thousands of insects, unseen by the enemies that beset them by day, ventured forth; the grasshoppers buzzed and hummed

merrily; the glow worms lit their tamps; and the frogs vied in persever Wrought in the subtlest symmetry of art Could prove a nation's culture as canst thou! gave forth from the branches som throat to the divine nocturnes with ers; and the orange blossom exhaled from its small hard calvx the delicious of the air and the delicate moonlight, made this simple rustic scene an ideal

Eden. Above all this terrestrial conert, from the high church towe weetly and solemnly pealed forth the vesper bell; and the countryman, wao holds his faith pure as the air he breathes, uncovered his head in prayer. By the path above mentioned a man there stood the house and garden of was coming from Seville riding an ass at an easy pace, saying to it from time it was small, and bad no patio, but as a

reading on eggs. Aguedila will scold such a paved space leveled in front of

laugh merry, frank and kind. He had overhead, so well trained that violence ter. Thus placed by fate between old sun cooling the hot air, and giving wife.' age and youth, he gave a hand to each, timely warning of, and shelter from, a To bring back beauty to the thin, worn of his heart. He was born at a very turn, and in autumn, as a parting gift. day of his son Julian, This boy has e was manager, and was called Simon When the pale face grows paier every day, in country places. He gained his liver fruit, and then shedding its now use- and more avarious he gets,' said the Her monuments of glory, and made Greece

> Such was the question of the Alcalde. radishes, and dromedarian beans. who was sitting with the mason at Simon passed there on his ass.

othing!

o me to cry, 'Acorns\_from Cadiz!' The Alcalde burst into a loud laugh, exclaiming: Don't you know, man, ed the girls with the joyous warbling that Cadiz is nothing but stones built of the birds and the childish talk of

upon rocks?'
'Of course I know that there are

soon off my hands.' 'And is your wheat good, Simon!' asked the mason.

'How can it be otherwise than good? well. Autumn is the legitimate sow-

'Senor, it costs me more,' replied when the mason took the Alcalde's

Well, you have sold your crop, and

inal Gelves has the advantage the latter town and the river monon extends, and between ion and the platform in front to be very comfortable. But your sind heart in the control of the con kind heart is your rum; you can neve see a tear, and can never say no.'

'The ox died. Could the poor man

pay for a dead thing?"

You gave money to Matias to me 'I gave it to him on credit, &

He felt the allusion made to himself by the good man.

othing to your honor or anybody. 'I hope so. Those who have few

wishes are happier than those who had had them. But I don't bring back have riches: Senores, God be with a cuarto, mother, you-I am wanted at home." So saying. Simon Verde remounted his donkey and crossed the meadow,

palace there is rather an abrupt descent, and at the foot of this ridge patio (courtyard) is alm 'Get on, Papalina! You seem to be sable to the Andalusians, they used as

the house, and which was protected by This man was about forty, and was a fence rendered necessary by the unuite Andalusian in style; his features eveness of the ground. To this fence I do? He will guard my crops well were regular and handsome, his ex-pression a happy mixture of simple-large arbor. the pride of humble dwel heartedness and cheerful fun; his lings, with fresh branching plants good real. wer for many years, and only could uproot them, offering grate- hearted Alcalde,' said the old woman. lived with his mother and only daugh. ful shade from the burning rays of the Juan Martin is the cousin of his dead

and devoted to both with complete passing shower. This kind friend fulself-denial his life and every affection fils its office without exacting any repretty farm close to the town, of which snowers upon the children, who during no love for money, and what can be the summer have cheered it with song worse?" Verde after it, according to custom and play, enormous clusters of sweet

time acted as carrier, fetching and that leaned against the arbor for shade bringing loads. His occupation, add- or contrast of color. In the orchard ed to his amiable character and sociawas a great assemblage of trees, among money. In a year's time he went to pility, had made him much known and which orange trees ranked first, but the beloved, and no one in the town or seighborhood met him without a kind and the laurel found no place in this neighborhood met him without a kind and the laurel found no place in this peaceful garden, the produce of which taken to gambling, neglects me, Hola, Simon Verde! Have you been was rather abundant than refined and gambles it all away.' Don't worry to Gibraleon for the oranges out of delicate. There were elephantine cab-your own garden you sold to-day? bages, giraffe-like beets, boa-constrictor

Greek was their tongue with chains around she door of the humble inn, when made Simon Verde's acquaintance, a daughters, who replied with tears to number of girls were assembled in the Yes. Senor, what was I to do? If I arbor before Simon's house. They very inconstant, and wasted his money Yes. Senor, what was I to dor it i arbor before Standard were all in upon other women. 'N ver mird said, have bought them, and I will give your bloom, and the birds which had their ber father, when he has spent the onor a proof of it. Last year I abode among the branches were sing-Sought a load of acorns, and to say the ing. As the flowers formed almost a his wanderings, and you will be haptruth. Senor Alcalde, they were worth circle, with the girl's grouped in the circle, with the girl's grouped in the centre, the effect might be compared to husband drank too much, and passed 'You were probably deceived in that of a Flemish picture or French engraving, in which groups of nymphs 'No, Senor, only I took them to or maidens are depicted within a garplease a Serrano, who wished to return land of flowers. At the door of the he will have to work instead of drink o Sierra.'

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'Discount of grave, gentle aspect, neatly dressed.

This old woman, amidst so many girls, birds woman, amidst so many girls, birds father's enquiry by complaining bitter. ike you!' said the mason.

'I can't help it. I can't bear to see and flowers, was closely attached to them, and they gratefully so to her. She was the grandmother of the girls, weary woe, gain a nation!

—Boston Pilot.

The evening wasnear, and I didnot know what to do with them, when it occurred to me to cur. 'Acorna froin Cadie!'

The con't help it. I can't bear to see and flowers, was closely attached to them, and they gratefully so to her. She was the grandmother of the girls, the mother of the flowers she had not sell one the whole blessed day. Planted, and the Providence of the flowers she factly and the Providence of the flowers she factly and the planted, and the Providence of the flowers she had not sell one the whole blessed day. Planted, and the Providence of the flowers she factly and the planted, and the Providence of the flowers she factly and the planted, and the Providence of the flowers she factly and the planted, and the Providence of the flowers she had not sell one the whole blessed day. Planted, and the Providence of the flowers she factly and the planted, and the Providence of the flowers she had not sell one the whole blessed day.

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The fourth replied to her father's enquiry by complaining bitter-the flowers end in the providence of the flowers and the flowers of the flowers and the planted, and the Providence of the flowers she had not sell one the whole blessed day.

The evening wasnear, and I did not know what to do with them, when it occurred to me to your misfortune!

This proves,' continued to her father's enquiry by complaining bitter-the flowers on the did not give her a cuarto, and starved her. 'My poor child, my driling girl,' as identification to the mother of the girls, the providence of the did not give her a cuarto, and et and the planted, and the Providence of the did not give her a cuarto, and et all one the planted sight were both defective, so that when she looked into the arbor she confound-

grand-children 'The poor froge!' said another. 'How neither trees nor flowers there. But they croak at night! Mrs. Frog said Picuaque is not come.' Then said the town.' Mrs Frog, 'Let us sing the Reniqui-

quaque!'

'Children, you deafen me.' said th grandmother, although I don't hear well. Agueda, you are the eldest; try You will be all right, Simon. This to amuse yourselves more quietly year will be one of Pharaoh's fat kine, Play at some game, or guess riddles, or

though this girl was not the beauty she seemed to her father, she was very pleasing, as most young girls are. She was a brunette of very clear complexion with a short face, sharp, prom chin, and very low forehead, which made her wear her hair very much turned back from her templ

Agueda proposed the following rid of course, with her tendrils and grapes and the wine that gets into her head is

her grandson."
"Do you hear the cuckoo?" cried on

eats their eggs, leaving its own in their place. As soon as the cuckoos are hatched the greedy birds eat their fos-ter mother out of their nests.'

'Father says,' remarked Agueda, that there is another very clever, cunning bird, the bittern. Foxes are very fond of eating them, and one day the

glided along the river so swiftly and silently that it might have seemed a shadow but for the clear, joyons singing heard from it as it passed.

In a latter of the field dog, softened by distance, and the field dog, softened by distance the field dog sof

I may never see the thirty reals again this simple prayer, he rose on his but my broth tasted better to me than a chicken the night I helped the poor man.'

the moon was shining.
'Heaven be praised!' said Simon, disare wonderful! What property you 'Heaven be praised!' said Simon, dismust have!' said the Alcalde, ironically. mounting from the easy-going Papathe good man.

I Senor! No, indeed. But I own saddled her.

'Your blessing, mother,' added he. replied Simon innocently. You will approaching the old woman.

always have what you want, said the 'God bless you. my son. Have you sold the oranges?

> 'Why? What have you done with I lent it to the guard of the land

adjoining mine. I met him on the road in great tribulation, because this Judas of an Alcalde was going to sell From the plain in front of the him up for the taxes. How could the poor creature pay taxes when he has 'But, don't you know that we owe

money to the baker?" ever mind that, mother. He know he is sure of his money

treacheries, and you will never see that money again.' 'I know that, mother, but what could

'I have no patience with that hard-

'The Alcalde,' replied Simon, 'has

'The richer he becomes the harder in country places. He gained his living by taking every day to Seville a load of the farm produce, which he sold in the streets, and at the same ter rest. On the other side of the farm produce, which he fence there were quantities of flowers as the streets, and at the same terms of the streets, and at the same terms of the fence there were quantities of flowers as the same for shade. married his four daughters, giving each of them a considerable sum of yourself; when the money is gone h will have to work and leave off playing and you will be happy,' said her fat On the morning of the day when we He then went to the second of his yourself about it,' said the father. 'the money will come to an end, and then

So you did well, my son, to help that pour man. What you lose here you will find elsewhere, and it is better to lay up treasure for eternity than for ese few days of temporal life.'

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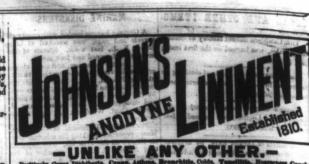
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