

St. Anne de Beaupre.

I love this sacred spot, where pious pilgrims kneel before thy holy shrine, in fervent prayer, O great Saint Anne, thy tender heart doth kneel.

For with true maternal love and care, As they appeal to thee in pain or grief, Thou dost obtain for them a sweet relief.

The waters of the grand Saint Lawrence glide In calm, majestic motion, on their way Past "bonne Sainte Anne," as if the gentle breeze, Its silent humble homage there would pay, Before the ancient shrine, as on its knees, It leans the pilgrims to this place of rest.

What joy to hear, at evening's solemn hour, The music of thy sweet-toned bell resound, O' land and water, from thy holy tower, Inviting all to prayer. Its heavenly sound Is like an angel's voice from above, Resounding us of God's eternal love.

The sons of Saint Alphonsus guard thy shrine, O good Saint Anne, thy pilgrims they receive Who come to seek that potent help of thine, And speak comforting words to those who grieve.

O'er sin, while they, as priests of God, impart A holy peace that heals the contrite heart.

And daily here the praise of God is sung, Here thousands come to bless His holy name, From distant shores the faithful, old and young, Proclaiming thy great name, thy glorious fame.

They leave the busy scenes of worldly strife, On these their hills, receive the bread of life.

How oft the erring child of sin, for years Astray from virtue's path, hath here been led, The grace of true repentance, and in tears Hath covered hands by which he was misled.

In crime, but now by thy assistance freed, To him a mother thou hast proved indeed.

How often have the sick, the blind, the lame, Obtained a cure by thy maternal aid, Of all their ills, as led by faith, they came From distant lands, by dangers undismayed.

As pilgrims to thy shrine, overland and sea, To seek for health, thy comfort here from thee.

O great Saint Anne! behold, I call on thee To aid me in this life of toil and care, That I to God may one day faithful be, With pity listen to my humble prayer, And give me grace, that I may never cease With love to thee, to place before thy shrine.

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THE COLONEL'S STORY.

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We had been discussing mesmerism and spirit-rapping.

"Where physical agencies are used," said old Colonel G—, "there is room for deceit. I know of an instance of real, continual clairvoyance, as wonderful as any of the phenomena you have related though it had nothing to do with the spirit world."

"Let us have it! Tell us your story!" we all cried, preparing for a treat; for we knew that the colonel, while not at all addicted to fiction, had a way of telling his strange, and, for many years, he had travelled much, seen much and learned much. He never invented, but narrated curious facts that he could vouch for, adventures that had befallen him or to which he had been an eye-witness.

Wing, he was not very talkative, and his narratives were the more prized because he was so sparing of them.

The old man threw his cigar into the fire, took a sip of claret punch, and told us the following remarkable story:

Just as Villafana was the youngest son of one of the proudest grandees who claimed the right to remain with covered head in the presence of the king of Spain. Passionately fond of study, an eager inquirer into the mysteries of the most abstruse sciences, the young nobleman was a shy scholar and a profound thinker, ill-fitted for the hollow gayeties of the court. His manner was absent and eccentric, his speech as candid as a child's; but if his mind was absorbed in the pursuit of knowledge, his heart seemed to overflow with love for suffering mankind. The poor, the helpless, were the objects of his constant solicitude, and the better to serve them, he studied medicine with an eagerness and zeal which were crowned with rare success. Many were the cures he performed in the wretched huts of Madrid. The poor people looked upon him as a saint gifted with miraculous healing power.

The old Marquis de Villafana did not relish the idea of his son becoming a physician or a sort of Brother of Charity; if the army did not suit him, there was the refuge of younger sons, the church, where the family influence would secure him a bishop's mitre. In obedience to the paternal wishes Juan de Villafana studied for the priesthood, and he was on the eve of being ordained when an adventure befell him which was to change his fate and make him the hero of his true story.

King Carlos was ill; he suffered from an unknown malady which baffled the skill of the court physician; he pined and wasted slowly, retaining his mental faculties, but unable to make the least physical exertion. He still received his grandees at the ceremonious court levee, and one morning he graciously invited the Marquis de Villafana, whom he held in great esteem, to bring his son Juan the next day to receive the assurance of the royal favor and protection.

Villafana, approaching the sumptuous couch upon which his sovereign reclined, bowed low, and, taking the hand of the king, graciously held out his hand, raised it to his lips. In doing so his gaze rested dreamily on the emaciated and pallid sufferer; suddenly the young man recoiled, exclaiming: "Good heavens! your majesty has taken poison!"

Horror struck at this startling announcement, the king fell back in a swoon. A short, awful pause ensued, followed by a confused uproar. The court physician and certain favorite courtiers surrounded the young man and dragged him out of the king's chamber, with loud denunciations of "Madman!" "Fool!" "Traitor!" Juan de Villafana followed them unresistingly, his pale face wearing an expression of solemn awe and tender pity, as he repeated in a prophetic tone: "His majesty has been poisoned! I see the working of the fatal drug in his veins; I know the hand that poured it!"

The old marquis, on recovering from his stupefaction, had hastened to follow his son. With the help of some friends

he succeeded in getting him safely out of the palace. But the young man had said too much; he must not live to name the guilty wretch whom he knew. That same evening, as Juan de Villafana was going to see a sick man in the suburbs, he was attacked by two hired assassins. He fought for his life and killed one of his assailants; the other brave fled.

The young student was horrified. He had shed the blood of a human being! He felt himself unworthy of the priest's hood; his blood-stained hands should not touch the sacred Host. Then he detested the corrupt atmosphere of the court; his place should not be there. Bidding farewell to his aged father, he set off, a voluntary exile from his native land.

The king did not die of the poison. Juan had left in the hands of the marquis a prescription for the royal sufferer. He had made to him, besides, revelations so precise that the marquis could not hesitate to communicate them to the king. The court physician sent a certain number of men upon whom the queen looked with too much favor were banished.

The life of the wanderer became an eventful one. The vessel on which he had taken passage for America was attacked by pirates and fell into their hands. He was bound like a criminal, and was ministering to the wounded in the ship's cabin, which he had transformed into an ambulance. When the pirates, maddened by the resistance of the crew and their own losses, boarded the vessel, they commenced an indiscriminate slaughter. The pirate chief, rushing into the cabin, found the unconscious physician busy with his work of mercy. The severity of the young man struck the hardened bandit with admiration.

"Ah! you are a surgeon!" said he. "Many of my men are wounded, and I will spare your life for their sake. Leave these dogs to be thrown to the fishes, and you come on board of my brig."

"Not one of your men will I touch unless these unfortunate are completely recovered," was the quiet and decided answer.

"What!" exclaimed the pirate, and he uttered a blasphemous oath, "you resist my orders! Obey, or you shall die a horrible death."

"You can kill me, son, but that will not cure your comrades; their lives are linked to the lives of these poor men."

"Demons!" . . . Well, let it be as you say. Care them all; I will hang you afterwards for your impudence."

"As you will," and Villafana resumed his work at the bedside of the poor wretches, who had remained with agonizing consciousness of his presence. He was sent for the pirate captain did not carry out his threat. He, as well as his crew, soon learned to look upon Villafana with superstitious awe. They treated him kindly, but they kept him a prisoner. Where could they have found a man so calm and so good, this strange, gentle, and fearless man! During two long years Villafana was compelled to live in the company of these outlaws; but all this time his influence over them was growing stronger every day, and gradually detaching them from their life of crime. He had ceased murdering their captives; they gave up pillaging at last, and the captain, assembling his crew one day, announced to them that their association was at an end; he had resolved upon trying to lead henceforth an honest life, and he begged them to do likewise. They landed on the coast of Mexico and parted company.

Villafana was free. He proceeded to the city of Mexico, where he commenced practicing medicine. He soon became famous for his wonderful cures, and the eccentricity of his manner, which had become abrupt and wild. He would stop a man on the street and tell him: "You are sick, you have such a disease; swallow this and you will be cured." If the patient, frightened by the earnestness of his manner, took the medicine, he was cured, if, repelling him as a quack or a madman, he refused, he died.

Adventures of this sort led people to think the "mad doctor," as he was called by many, an adept in witchcraft; others believed that immaculate sanctity only could perform such wonders. He was sent for by wealthy patients, who rewarded him liberally; but he sought the poor and unfortunate, and the gold taken from the palace was not long in finding its way to the hovel. Abstemious in his habits, always poorly clad, living in a garret, the benevolent doctor seemed to have constituted himself the disabusing agent of the rich for the benefit of the poor.

The good man, however, came very near falling a victim to the superstitions of the hovel. Returning home one afternoon, after a usual day's work in the wretched juncos of the suburbs, he met a funeral procession on its way to the cemetery. In the old Spanish colonies it is customary to carry the coffin uncovered; the lid is put on only when the corpse is ready to be lowered to its last resting-place. The body is usually decked in the fiery dyes of this world; that of a child is crowned with flowers. I have seen one to which little gauze wings had been adapted; the cheeks were rouged and the glassy eyes held open by artificial means. A numerous escort of children, dressed in white, walked on each side, carrying the road with out flowers which they carried in small baskets. The people say that when an innocent child dies it is an angel returning to heaven, and there, therefore, more cause for joy than grief.

In his instance the corpse was that of a lovely young girl, upon whose radiant countenance the hand of death had but lightly pressed its mysterious seal. Villafana had stopped, and he awaited, hat in hand, the passage of the procession. As the coffin came abreast of him he gasped, as if he saw a child crowned with flowers, he turned to dust. All at once he started wildly, a cry of horror burst from his lips, and, springing into the middle of the street, he confronted the astonished bearers.

"Stop!" he cried—"On your lives, stop! That child is not dead! Do you wish to bury her alive!"

The dazed and disoriented and disordered dress of the doctor, his thin features, bronzed by long exposure to the tropical sun, his dark eyes shining with a wild and mysterious light—everything about him revealed to the bearers the appearance of a madman. The people attempted to drive him back, but he repeated, repeating aloud: "She is alive, I tell you! Would you commit a crime!"

Much confusion ensued, and Villafana

would have suffered violence at the hands of the crowd had not the dead girl's father interposed. Overwhelmed with grief, he was following the dead body of his beloved child, when his attention was roused by the tumult, and he heard the last words of the doctor. Rushing forward and forcing his way through the excited crowd, he caught Villafana by the arm.

"Man!" cried the bereaved parent—"man, what that you have said! My People alive! Answer! Do not trifle with a father's heart; do not swathe insensate hopes only to make my despair more bitter. Speak! On your life, is she alive?"

"Sinner," replied Villafana, who had recovered his composure, "upon my last hope of salvation I swear to you that your daughter is at this moment alive. Take her back to your home, and God permitting I will restore her to your love."

"Come, then," said the old man, "bring her back to life and all my wealth shall be yours. But if she is dead, or rather dead, I will give you my daughter's life."

"Villafana shrugged his shoulders, and, taking the poor father's arm, walked back to the house, where a weeping mother mourned the loss of her last-born. The young girl was laid upon a bed and all the paraphernalia of death was removed by order of the doctor, who, having despatched a messenger to the nearest pharmacy for certain drugs, carefully prepared a mixture. He forced a spoonful between the clenched teeth of the girl, and poured in the drop by drop, a spoonful of the liquid. He then took his seat by the bedside, and, having consulted his watch, addressed at last the unhappy father, who, silent and trembling with anxiety, had followed eagerly his every movement.

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