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some civilization, the monuments of which have begun, in our own times, to engage the attention of the learned. In Mexico there was a dense population, there were large towns, and there was that prime mover of human labour and daring—gold, in abundance. This great empire was conquered and the gold won by a handful of Spaniards, led by one who owed his elevation wholly to the caprice of fortune, for Cortez had no experience of war or com-Spaniards, led by one who owed his city tion whelly to the caprice of fortune, for Cortez had no experience of war or command, nor had be shown is his early career much passion for romantic adventure. But great prospects gave birth to great hopes, and these kindled inextinguishable passions; hence the disregard of bodily fatigue and the perseverance, in spite of frequent reverses, which certainly mark the progress of all the Conquistadores. Cortez had the advantage, too, of being the first who trod that elevated stage; those who came after him, if they were his couls in heroic qualities, fell short of him in opportunities. Pizarro, the conqueror of Peru, was but a coarse imitator of Cortez; the courage and cunning of the latter became with the former ferocity and perfidiousness. The extraordinary rapidity with which the New World was explored and colonized, was due in no shight degree to the success of Cortex.

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The philosopher, it is true, undaxxled by the surface of things, may doubt the genide and hereism of the first conquerors of America. Looking at the great inequality in point of arms between the Indians of the Spanish soldiers, he may argue that the one uset of the Mexican empire was, under my control, all the other countries that were subject to him would be more easily brought to the knowledge and service of your Majesty, as afterwards servic ded with matchlocks. If Cortez many the great globe inversion it would leave the world but for on agreeable topics, and receiving at his hands some jewels of gold, and one of itself if analyzed in this way, would go off in vapour, leaving behind but a small residuum of colouring matter and fex mera.

We are willing, therefore, to take Cortez for a hero, since he did what appears to the for a hero, since he did what appears to the first the first that the place of the spaniards, who had been killed the city of Nautecal or Almeria, and of the fate of the Spaniards, who had been killed the city of Nautecal or Almeria, and of the fate of the Spaniards, who had been killed the city of Nautecal or Almeria, and of the fate of the Spaniards, who had been killed the city of Nautecal or Almeria, and of the fate of the Spaniards, who had been killed the city of Nautecal or Almeria, and of the fate of the Spaniards, who had been killed the city of Nautecal or Almeria, and of the fate of the Spaniards, who had been killed the city of Nautecal or Almeria, and of the fate of the Spaniards, who had been killed the city of Nautecal or Almeria, and of the fate of the Spaniards, who had been killed the city of Nautecal or Almeria, and of the fate of the Spaniards, who had been killed the city of Nautecal or Almeria, and of the fate of the Spaniards, who had been killed the city of Nautecal or Almeria, and of the fate of the Spaniards, who had been killed the city of Nautecal or Almeria, and of the fate of the Spaniards, who had been killed the city of Nautecal or Almeria, and of the fate of the Spaniards, who had been killed the city of Nautecal or Almeria, and of the fate of the Spaniards, who had been killed the city of Nautecal or Almeria, and of the fate of the Spaniards, who had been killed the city of Nautecal or Almeria, and of the fate of the Spaniards, who had been killed the city of Nautecal or Almeria, and of the fate of the Spaniards, who had been killed the city of Nautecal or Almeria, and of the fate of the Spaniard his writings. His letters to the Emperor Charles V. give us but an imperfect, and on many grounds suspicious, account of the conquest of Mexico. For a full and impartial history of the transfer of the conductor. impartial history of that event, as well as for the personal history of the hero him-self, we must look elsewhere. Cortez was by no means an elegant of the original.— Though his narrative is in general tedious and artful, yet it offers some curious pesand artiul, yet it offers some curious pes-sages, and late researches give us reason to believe that his description of the opulence and civilization of the country was not so exaggerated as might be at first imagined. For a picture of national prosperity, long since extinct, take the following account of Tlascals, which still exists, though much decayed.

"This city is so extensive and so well worthy of admiration, that although I omit much that I could say of it, I feel assured that I could say of it, I feel assured that I could say of it. that the little I shall say will be scarcely credited, since it is larger than Grenads, and much stronger and contains as many fine houses and a much larger population than that city did at the time of its capture; and much stronger and contains as many fine houses and a much larger population than that city did at the time of its capture; and it is much better supplied with fowls and game, fish from the rivers, various kinds of vegetables, and other excellent articles of vegetables, and other excellent articles of vegetables, and other excellent articles and other excellent articles are supplied with fowls and game, fish from the rivers, various kinds out creating any disturbance; and on the out of vegetables, and on the conversation of their execution, as they confessed that Montezuma had directed them to kill the Spaniards, I caused him to be put in irons, which threw him into great constersions. All this was manifestly done merely from the motives above intimated, namely, "to subserve the interests of your large, and all kinds of shoes for the feet." well arranged as they can possibly be found in any public squares or markets in the world. There is much earthenware of every style and a good quality, equal to the best of Spanish manufacture. Wood, coal, edible and medicinal plants are sold in great quantities. There are houses where they wash and shave the head as barbers, and also for baths. Finally, there is found among the a well regulated police; them people are rational and well disposed, and

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"Six days having passed, most powerful Prince, since I entered the great city of Temixtitan (Mexico), and having seen some things in it, though but a few compared with what there was to be seen and noted, it seemed to me, judging from these things, and from what I had observed of the counand from what I had observed of the country, that it would subserve the interests of your Majesty and our own security if Muteezuma was in my power, and not wholly free from restraint; in order that he might not be diverted from the resolution and willing spirit which he showed in the service of your Majesty, especially as we Spaniards were somewhat troublesome and difficult to please; lest feeling annoyed on any occasion, he should ou seems serious injury, and even might cause all memory of

as his vassal, he could not disregard; that I did not believe it was so, but nevertheless, in order to clear himself from the imputation, it seemed to me proper that he should send for Qualpopoca and the other principal men of that city, who had been concerned in the slaughter of the Spaniards, that the truth of the matter might be known, and those men punished, by which means he would satisfy your Majesty of his lovel disposition beyond all dispute. Lot loyal disposition beyond all dispute; lest instead of the rewards which your Majesty would order to be given him, the reports of these outrages might provoke your Majes ty's anger against him on account of his having commanded the injury to be done; since I was well satisfied that the truth was contrary to what those men had de-clared."

The offending cazique, Qualpopoca, was brought to the capital, as our readers are probably aware, and, with his followers, was variety of articles both of food and clothing, and all kinds of shoes for the feet; leavels of gold and silver, and precious stones, and ornaments of feathers, all a royal sympathies, and so, in respect of the well arranged as they can possibly be found

to the Emperor :-"Such was the kindness of my treatment times I tempted him with the offer of his liberty, begging that he would return to his palace, he as often replied that he was leaved with his present quarters, and liderent with the present quarters, and like the well pleased with his present quarters, and like you wish to leave them. did not wish to leave them, as he wanted ople are rational and well disposed, and nothing that he was accustomed to enjoy one of the most in his own palace; and that in case he went williged African nation."

excuse himself from attending to them." identical Ixtli xochitl who wrote in the Cortex thus describes the original city Mexican language an account of the fell o

years until they are taken out to be married; which occurs more frequently with the first born who inherit estates than with the others. The priests are debarred from female society, nor is any woman permitted to enter the religious houses. They also abstain from eating certain kinds of food, more at some seasons of the year than others. Among these temples there is one which far surpasses all the rest, whose which far surpasses all the rest, whose which far surpasses all the rest, whose which far surpasses are some seasons of the year than others. Among these temples there is one which far surpasses all the rest, whose which far surpasses all the rest, whose which far surpasses are surpasses as the case in these days in Spain, it would lead them to undervalue our faith and treat it with derivative of the service of God were entrusted to canons and other dignitaries, and if they understood that these were the ministers of God whom they beheld indulging in vicious to enter the religious houses. They also do the service of God were entrusted to canons and other dignitaries, and if they understood that these were the ministers of God whom they beheld indulging in vicious to enter the religious houses. They also do the service of God were entrusted to canons and other dignitaries, and if they understood that these were the ministers of God whom they beheld indulging in vicious to enter the religious houses. They also do the service of God were entrusted to canons and other dignitaries, and if they understood that these were the ministers of God whom they beheld indulging in vicious the service of God were entrusted to canons and other dignitaries, and if they understood that these were the ministers of God whom they beheld indulging in vicious the service of God were entrusted to canons and other dignitaries, and if they understood that these were the ministers of God whom they beheld indulging in vicious the service of God whom they beheld indulging in vicious the service of God whom they beheld indulging in vicio are lofty and well built, the largest of which has fifty steps leading to its main body, and is higher than the tower of the principal church at Seville. The stone and wood which they are constructed are so well wrought in every part, that nothing could be better done, for the interior of the chapels containing the idols consists of curious imagery, wrought in stone, with plaste ceilings, and wood-work carved in relief and painted with figures of monsters and other objects. All these towers are the burial-places of the nobles, and every chapel in them is dedicated to a particular idol, to

which they pay their devotions."

These idols were soon precipitated from their pedestals, and images of our Lady and Saints were set in their stead. The follow ing we do not believe :-

"The figures of the idols in which these people believe surpass in stature a person of more than the ordinary size; some of them are used for food, ground and mixed together, and kneaded with the blood of human hearts taken from the breast of living persons, from which a paste is formed in a sufficient quantity to form large statues. When these are completed they make them offerings of the hearts of other victims, which they sacrifice to them, and besmear their faces with the blood."

The Machiavellian character of Corter

is manifest in every page of his dispatches. He constantly avows his dissimulation and fraudulent intentions; policy was his sole morality, and his occassional frankness was but an artifice to entrap others. While he thus expounds his crafty schemes to the warrior, and beneficent ruler; and, finally, while claiming to have done wonders for the imperial treasury, to excuse himself at

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According to Cotez, the houses and garteness of the chief people in Mexico were fully equal to those of Spanish grandees.—

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BENEDICT TO A BACHELOR. Don't tell me "you haven't got time"—
That other things claim your attention;
There's not the least reason or rhyme
In the wisest excuse you can mention.
Don't tell me about "other fish,"
Your duty is done when you buy 'em;
And you will never relish the dish,
Unless you've a woman to fry 'em. You may dream of poetical fame,

But the story may chance to miscarry; The best way of sending one's name To posterity, Charles, is to marry. And here I am willing to own—
After soberly thinking upon it—
1'd very much rather be known,
Through a beautiful son than a sonnet.

I could give you a bushel of reasons I could give you a bushel of reasons
For choosing the "double estate;"
It agrees with all climates and seasons,
Though it may be adopted too late.
To one's parents! tis (gratefully) due;
Just think what a terrible thing 'Twould have been, sir, for me and for you,
If our's had neglected the ring!

Don't search for an "angel" a minute;
For, suppose you succeed, in thes equel,
No happiness e'er could be in it,
For the match would be mighty unequal: For the maten would be mighty unequal. The angels, it must be confessed,
In this world are rather uncommon;
And allow me, dear Charles, to suggest,
You'll be better content with a noman.

[Knickerbocker.

MOTHER, THY NAME ! MOTHER, thy name is holier far, Than aught that tongue of man can tell; Than aught that tonge of man can ten Thou wert to me a guiding star, To know thee was to love thee well; To love—to worship—for e'en now Fond memory blends me with the past, the grief had marked thy silent brow; That fove was first—'Twill be last.

Mother-dear mother !- on thy breast I bow my head—with anguish deep,
The joy—poor joy—that lulls to rest,
Comes o'er me—like my childhood's sleep;
When nestling to thy bosom pure,
I thought not—felt not—pang of pain,
But, hushed, lay in thy arms secure;
More than I e'er can be again.

Mother-kind mother !- all of thought Mother—kind mother:—all of though That life can give—affection prove; Is thine—and only thine—for naught Can be beloved—as you I love; And could I choose my dying place, When God shall call me to my rest, After I have run through life's long race, I'd breath life's last breath upon thy breast

Before a revising barrister, the other day witness being asked how he knew that a nan and woman were husband and wife, replied, because "he had often heard the ady blow the gentleman up." The "proof of marriage" was held to be conclusive.

As soon as the sun began to sink, we set out, passing through the streets, rapidly filling with the population, just rising free their mid-day repose; even yet the theavy with the strong perfume, seemed to though it blew from a furnace. It certainly was this aromatic scent pervading the whole atmosphere, which brought so vividly before us that we were in the East in good earnest now. It proceeded principally from the various spices, which forms ouniversal a commedity of merchandize there, and also from the penetrating odour of flowers, altogether strange to us, fising from the numberless gardens around. The Good Man.—What as produce his prior reflections than a well-spent fife? If we have passed the morning and noon of our days and arrived far into the evening of existence, how blissful is the contemptation of existence, how blissful is the contemptation of the surface of the lamps which at all times hang before the gargeous image of the blesses Virgin, all decked out in times hang before the gargeous image of the blesses Virgin, all decked out in times hang before the gargeous image of the blesses Virgin, all decked out in times hang before the gargeous image of the blesses Virgin, all decked out in times hang before the gargeous image of the blesses Virgin, all decked out in times hang before the gargeous image of the blesses Virgin, all decked out in times hang before the gargeous image of the blesses Virgin, all decked out in times hang before the gargeous image of the blesses Virgin, all decked out in times hang before the gargeous image of the blesses Virgin, all decked out in times hang before the gargeous image of the blesses Virgin, all decked out in times hang before the gargeous image of the blesses Virgin, all decked out in times hang before the gargeous image of the blesses Virgin, all decked out in times hang before the gargeous image of the blesses Virgin, all decked out in times hang before the subject of the blesses Virgin, all decked out in times hang before the subject of the blesses Virgin, loors of all the houses were now thrown wide open, fully displaying to view a sort of vestibule or outer hall paved with white marble, and amply furnished with sofas and cushions, where each separate family as-sembled to amuse themselves by watching the passers-by, and have the full benefit of the evening air, in this sedentary manner. We on our part found considerable amusement in examining the successive groups whose 'interious' was thus laid open to our

low tinkle of the camel bells, and then, appearing and vanishing again among the waving branches, the long undulating procession is seen to wind along the road.—

As they ascend the road, the various objects of striking interest, which form as a whole so picturesous a scene, are gradually diswaving branches, the long undulating pro-cession is seen to wind along the road.— As they ascend the road, the various objects of striking interest, which form as a whole so picturesque a scene, are gradually dis-played in slow succession; then descending on the other side, the train is lost among the green woods and projecting rocks, till, long after, it may be seen, like a dark ser-pent, winding over the brow of the hill. pent, winding over the brow of the hill .and modest little donkcy, leading, without bit or bridle, the whole procession, and under whose guidance alone, his magnificent companions will consent to move a step; and, meckfy following him, a string of some and, meerly following him, a string of some eighteen or twenty camels move along with slow majestic step, wreathing their long necks with their own peculiar and graceful movement, and looking with their half-shut eyes as gentle and mild, as in reality they are victous and dang-rous. The drivers, who guide them by the voice alone, are mounted on their backs; the flowing drapertes of their oriental dressey gratherperies of their oriental dresses gathered round them, as they sit with folded arms musing thoughtfully. * On one side of the stream, in an open space lying at the foot of a green and vine-clad hill, the whole of the gay world of Smyrna was assembled, reposing on seats placed beneath sembled, reposing on seats placed beneath the shade of the numerous trees, or earing ces at the doors of the little fantastic cafes erected for their accommodation; and on the other side, directly opposite, lay the the other side, directly opposite, lay the beautiful Turkish cemetery, with its mournful cypresses, its gloomy shades, its silence, its sadness, and its dead. All the Europeans were walking about, talking and laughing, and looking exactly as Europeans do everywhere else, except that they were so thoroughly out of keeping with the yellow gloyes, the bonnets and feathers, the cigars and fans, were quite insupportable under that gorgeous Eastern sky, and sur-rounded by all the striking attributes of

Asiatic scenery. The hill rising above us is crowded by The hill rising above us is crowded by an old ruined castle, which, while it adds to the peturesque appearance of the town, is not in itself interesting either from antonia virial tradition. Some of the Ask Papa!"

Ask Papa!" tiquity or historical tradition. Some of the party clambered up to it; but I preferred staying to watch the dispersion of the strange fastastic crowd around me. soon as it grew dark, or rather (for it seems never to grow dark here) as soon as the lashing blue of the sky had despened into dashing blue of the sky had despended into an intense purple, and the painfully vivid glare been replaced by the soft faint starlight, the whole of the varied assembly prepared to return to their homes. The negro slaves gathered up the innumerable carpets and cushions, which they had brought for the accommodation of their Mahommedan masters, whose desire at all times to make themselves comfortable is so they go, even for an hour or two. The gentlemen themselves taking out their pretty little paper lanterns, proceed to pick their way through the lanes aided by their light, which is just sufficient to guide their always pick your facth with the control of the co own steps, and render the darkness more is a prodigious saving of goose

intense to their neighbours. . On our

THE GOOD MAN.—What produce hispiter reflections than a well-spent life. If we have passed the morning and noon of our days and arrived far into the evening of existence, how blissful is the contemplation of a virtuous and active life! No schools propensities have been graiffed; and hallowed deeds have been perpetrated; all behind is beautiful to contemplate glowing landscape in the distance. I beautifully has Blair expressed the days of the good man:

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of the good man is Peace. How calm his wist.
Night dews fall not more gently to the ground,
Nor weary, worn-out winds expire so soft.
Behold him in the eventide of life!
A life well spent t whose early care it was
file-siper years should not upbraid his green.
By unprecised degrees he wears away;
Yet like the sun seems larger at his setting.
If you wish that such an end may to
yours, live an upright and virtuous life, and
you may depend upon juy and triumph at
last. The good man dies in peace. His
thoughts are not filled with dread, when he
contemplates his end, but his heart is full
of peace, He looks beyond the bounds of
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whose respect is worth an enough.

There is no art or science that is difficult for industy to attain; it is the gift of
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HINTS TO THE LADIES .- While Ludies persist in maintaining the strictly defensive condition, the men must naturally, as it were, take the opposite line—that of attach; otherwise, if both parties held aloof, there would be no more marriages, and the two would be no more marriages, and the two hosts would die in their respective inaction, without ever coming to a battle. Thus, it is evident that, as the ladies will not, themen must take the offensive. I, for my part, have made, in the course of my life, at least a score of chivalrous attacks upon several strongly fortified hearts. Sometimes I becam my works had been my works. times I began my works too late in the season, and winter suddenly came and renscason, and winter suddenly came and rendered its completion impossible. Sometimes I have attacked the breach madly, sword in hand, and have been plunged violently from the scaling ladder into the ditch. Sometimes I have made a decent lodgment in the place, when—bang! blows up a mine, and I am scattered to the deuce!—And sometimes, when I have been in the very heart of the citadel—ah! that I should say it!—a sudden panic has struck me. say it ?—a sudden panic has struck me, and I have run like the Romans out of Car-

One grows tired after a while of such perpetual activity. Is it not time that the ladies should take an innings? Let us widowers and bachelors, form an associayears, we will love no longer. Let the let them write us verses; let them ask to dance—get us ices, and cups of tes, and elp us on with our cloaks at the hall do

Userul Rules tok supper sours of Peorle.—It you are a singer, sing a little after the rest of the singers; because the mo there is of a good thing, and the longer lusts, the better

it will awaken attention

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