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Two thrushes met upon an April day, And sang a simple song of love and grace. "And I am I, dear heart, and you are she, Whose tender notes beguiled me on my way?" They did not heed that all the sky was gray, And not a neighbor leaf on any tree; Two thrushes met upon an April day, And sang a simple song of love and grace. They did not miss the brightness of the May, Or miss June's roses, lavish wealth to see. "April" he chirped, "is fair enough for me; And when you sing, 'lo! spring is on the way.'" Two thrushes met upon an April day, And sang a simple song of love and grace. —Louise Chandler Moulton in Harper's Bazar.

BARBARA'S SEVERE TEST

Pretty Barbara Ferros would not marry. Her mother was in consternation. "Why are you so stubborn, Barbara?" she asked. "You have plenty of lovers." "I want, when I marry, a man who is brave, equal to any emergency. If I give up my liberty I want to be taken care of." "Silly child! What is the matter with Big Barney, the blacksmith?" "He is big, but I never learned that he was brave." "And you never heard that he is not. What is the matter with Ernest, the gunsmith?" "He is as placid as goat's milk!" "There is little Fritz, the tanner; he is quarrelsome enough for you, surely?" "He is no bigger than a bantam cock. It is little he could do if the house was set upon by robbers."

"That night Ernest, the gunsmith, knocked early at the door. "You sent for me, Barbara," he said, going to the girl who stood upon the porch coquettishly warming one pretty foot and then the other. "Yes, Ernest," she replied, "I've been thinking of what you said the other night when you were here." "Well, Barbara?" "I want to test you." "How?" "I want to see if you dare do a very disagreeable thing."

"What is it?" "There is an old coffin upstairs. It smells of mold. They say Redmond, the murderer, was buried in it; but the devil came for his body and left the coffin empty at the end of a week, and it was finally taken from the tomb. It is upstairs in the room my grandfather died in, and they say grandise does not rest easy in his grave for some reason, though that I know nothing about. Dare you make that coffin your bed to-night?" Ernest laughed.

"Is that all? I will that, and sleep soundly. Why, pretty one, did you think I had weak nerves?" "Good night, then, I will send a lad to show you the chamber," said imperious Miss Barbara. Ernest turned straightway and followed the lad in waiting through dim rooms and passages, up echoing stairs, along narrow damp ways, where rats scuttled before them, to a low chamber. The boy looked pale and scared, and evidently wanted to hurry away, but Ernest made him wait until he had taken a survey of the room by the aid of his lamp. It was very large and full of recesses, with high windows in them, which were barred across. He remembered that old Grandise Ferros had been insane for several years before his death, so this precaution had been necessary for the safety of himself and others. In the center of the room stood a coffin, beside it was placed a chair. The room was otherwise perfectly empty.

Ernest stretched himself in the coffin. "Be good enough to tell Miss Barbara that it is a very good fit," said he. The boy went out and shut the door, leaving the young gunsmith alone in the dark. Meanwhile Barbara was talking with the big blacksmith in the keeping room. "Barney," said she pulling her hands from his grasp when he would have kissed her, "I have a test to put you through before I give you any answer. There is a corpse lying in the chamber where my grandise died, in the unwatered wing of the house. If you dare sit with it there all night, and let nothing drive you from your post, you will not ask me to marry you again in vain." "Are these all the conditions you can offer me, Barbara?" "All. And if you get frightened you need never look me in the face again." "I'll take them, then."

So Barney was conducted to his post by the lad, who had been instructed in the secret, and whose involuntary stare at Ernest's placid face as it lay in the coffin was interpreted by Barney to be natural awe of a corpse. He took his seat, and the boy left him alone with the darkness, the rats and the coffin. Soon after young Fritz, the tanner, arrived, flattered and hopeful from the fact that Barbara had sent for him. "Have you changed your mind, Barbara?" he asked. "No, and I shall not until I know that you can do a really brave thing." "What shall it be? I swear to satisfy you, Barbara." "I have a little proposal to make to you. My plan requires skill as well as courage." "Tell me." "Well, in this house is a man watching by a corpse. He has sworn not to leave his post till morning. If you can make him do it I shall be satisfied that you are as smart and as brave as I require a husband to be."

"Why, nothing is so easy," exclaimed Fritz. "I can scare him away. Furnish me with a sheet, show me the room, and go to your rest, Barbara. You shall find me at the post in the morning." Barbara did as required and saw the tanner step blithely away to his task. It was then nearly 12 o'clock and she sought her own chamber. Barney was sitting at his vigil and so far all had been well. The face in the coffin gleamed whiter through the darkness. The rats squeaked as if a famine were upon them and they smelled dead flesh. The thought made him shudder. He got up and walked about, but something made a slight noise, as if somebody was behind him, and he put his chair with its back against the wall, and sat down again. He had been hard at work all day, and at last in spite of everything, he grew sleepy. Finally he nodded and snored.

Suddenly it seemed as if somebody had touched him. He awoke with a start and saw nobody near, though in the center of the room stood a white figure. "Curse you, get out of this!" he exclaimed in a fright, using the first words that came to his tongue. The figure held up its right arm and

WHERE BEGGARS THRIVE.

Mexican Poverty Extremely Picturesque to a Casual Observer. Chief among the many puzzling questions with which my childish mind whirled away the weary half hour of a Sunday morning sermon, was the existence of beggars in Bible days. I pictured Palestine as a vast tract of land, temples, tombs and gardens, inhabited by beggars and Pharisees. Born and reared in the prosperous west, poverty such as the scriptural tales dimly suggested was to me a thing as vague as the Hell of the same records, a fairy tale far more unreal than the sleeping palace or the caves of Aladdin. Now the puzzle is solved, I have seen poverty. I have been to Mexico, I understand Palestine. I can almost believe in a horned Satan and fire and brimstone. To a casual observer Mexican poverty is extremely picturesque. It is not an imitation of respectability such as the humblest American will attempt, but it is humanity in rags and nakedness, too often in sores, almost always in dirt. There, begging is a trade, the occupation of all the poorer population. Beggars infest the railroad stations at the interior towns, and a motley array it is. They are of all sexes, conditions and ages, with and without sores, the lame, the halt, and the blind. Babies in arms holding out dirty little hands for a "centavo," old women, young women, healthy little boys, crippled grandfathers all willing to the same tune in their mongrel Spanish. "For the love of God, Señorita, give me a cent."

Give them cents! Never had a copper seemed so much value. I luxuriated in their delight. I bought out the porter, the newsdealer and the conductor to satisfy the want that never could be satisfied; for there is a friendly feeling among these unfortunates, and when they find one who will give, they spread the glad tidings among all their class, and indeed I suspected them of having discovered some peculiar way of telegraphing the information to the next station, so besieged was I for charity. Some tourists who had been in the country before endeavored to impress me with the fact that I was encouraging idleness, but who would not be idle when the sun was hot and water luxury and even for labor, money was not forthcoming. They must live. To live they must eat, and it seems to me that in the more desolate portion of the country, to eat, they must beg.

Very picturesque were they seen from the car window in the soft gloom of the northern night, their dark eyes gleaming like stars under their quaint hat or still more primitive head dress, their white teeth glittering as the musical Spanish rippled forth in compliments calculated to appeal to the generosity of the senorita who seemed to them a small sized Providence. In the cruel glare of the sun defects became evident, and one saw the coarseness in the squalor and dirt, still never did they cease to be poetic. They harmonized so perfectly with the background of glouidless sky, antique buildings, and tropical verdure. There was a beauty even in their very ugliness which was a plea for their existence and in remembering the pleasantest journey of my life I shall always have a very tender recollection of the beggars of Mexico.—Edith M. Day in Lewis & Dryden's Railway and Marine Gazette.

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