

THE WAR-TRAIL!

CHAPTER XLIII (CONTINUED).

The rest of the affair was still of easier explanation to Gary and myself. Rube, as we conjectured, had arrived safe at the rancharia; and in ten minutes after his story had been told, fifty Rangers, with Hollingsworth at their head, rode rapidly for the mesa. Rube had guided them with his usual craft. Like the Indians, they had been moving forward during the intervals of darkness; but, coming in the opposite direction, they had kept the mound between them and their foe, and, trusting to this advantage, were in hopes of taking the guerrilleros by surprise. They had approached almost within charging distance, when the war-whoop of the savage sounded in their ears, and they were met by the retreating band. Knowing that all who came that way must be enemies, they delivered their fire upon the approaching horsemen, and then galloping forward, found themselves face to face with the painted warriors of the plains. The mutual surprise of Rangers and Indians, caused by the unexpected rencontre, proved a happy circumstance for the cowardly guerrilla, who, during the short halt of their double pursuers, and the confused fight that followed, were enabled to gallop off beyond reach of pursuit.

It was a curious conjecture what would have been the result had the Rangers not arrived on the ground. Certainly the Indians would have rescued us from our not less savage foes. My companion and I might have remained undiscovered, but we should have lost our precious horses. As it was, we were soon once more upon their backs; and, free from all thought of peril, now joyfully turned our faces towards the rancharia.

Wheatley rode by my side. Hollingsworth with a party remained upon the ground to collect the "spoils" and bury our unfortunate comrades. As we moved away I turned, and for a moment gazed back on the scene of strife. I saw Hollingsworth dismounted on the plain. He was moving among the bodies of the five guerrilleros; one after another he turned them over, till the moon glared upon their ghastly features. So odd were his movements, and so earnest did he appear, that one might have fancied him engaged in searching for a fallen friend, or more like some prowling robber intent upon stripping the dead. But neither object was his—the contrary, he was searching for a foe. He found him not. After scanning the features of all five, he was seen to turn away, and the unconcerned manner in which he moved from the spot, told that he who was sought was not among the slain.

"The news, Wheatley?" "News, Cap! Grand news, by thunder! It appears we have been barking up the wrong tree—at least so think President Polk. They say we can't reach Mexico on this line; so we're all going to be drawn off, and shipped to some port further down the gulf—Vera Cruz, I believe."

"Ah! grand news indeed." "I don't like it a bit," continued Wheatley; "the less so since it is rumored that old 'Rough and Ready' is to be recalled, and we're to be commanded by that book martinet Scott. It's shabby treatment of Taylor, after what the old vet has accomplished. They're afraid of him setting up for president next go. Hang their policies! It's a confounded shame, by thunder!"

I could partly understand Wheatley's reluctance to be ordered upon the new line of operations. The gay lieutenant was never troubled with ennui; his leisure hours he contrived to pass pleasantly enough in company with Conchita, the plump, dark eyed daughter of the alcalde; more than once, I had unwittingly interrupted them in their amorous dalliance. The rancharia, with its mud huts and dusty lanes, in the eyes of the Texan, was a city of gilded palaces, its streets paved with gold. It was Wheatley's heaven, and Conchita was the angel who inhabited it. Little as either he or I had liked the post at first, neither of us desired a change of quarters.

As yet no order had arrived to call the picket in, but my companion affirmed that the camp-rumor was a substantial one, and believed that we might expect such a command at any moment.

"What say they of me?" I inquired. "Of you, Cap? Why, nothing. What do you expect them to say of you?" "Surely there has been some talk about my absence?" "Oh, that! No, not a word, at least at headquarters, for the simple reason, that you're not yet reported missing."

"Ah, that is good news; but how?" "Why, the truth is, Hollingsworth and I thought we might serve you better by keeping the thing dark—at all events till we should be sure you were dead lost. We hadn't given up all hope. The greaser who guided you out, brought back word that two trappers had gone after you. From his description, I knew that queer old case Rube, and was satisfied that if anything remained of you he was the man to find it."

"Thanks, my friend, you have acted well; your discreet conduct will save me a world of mortification." "No other news?" I inquired after a pause. "No," said Wheatley; "none worth telling. O yes!" he continued, suddenly recollecting himself, "there is a bit. You remember these hang dog greasers that used to loiter about the village when we first came? Well, they're gone, by thunder! every mother's son of them clean ransomed from the place, and not a greaser spelt left of them. You may walk through the whole settlement without seeing a Mexican, except the old men and the women. I asked the alcalde where they had cleared to, but the old chap only shook his head, and drawled out 'Sternal' 'Quien sabe?' Of course they're off to join some band of guerrillas. 'By thunder! when I think of it, I wouldn't wonder if they were among that lot we have just scattered. Sure as shooting, the are! I saw Hollingsworth examine the five dead ones as we rode off. He'll know them, and can tell us if any of our old acquaintances are among them.'"

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