

THE WAR-TRAIL!

CHAPTER LI. (CONTINUED.)

I have said that our design must have been known ere this; indeed the army was already in movement. Troops and brigades were marching upon Brazos Santiago and Tampico, there to be embarked for the south, and all that were to go had received their orders. The provinces on the Rio Grande were not to be entirely abandoned, but the army left there was to have its lines contracted, and would therefore cover much less ground. Not only was our little post to be deserted, but the neighboring town, which had long been the headquarters of a division, was also to be evacuated. No force of our army would remain within fifty miles of the rancheria; and perhaps no American troop would ever again visit that isolated village. The reflection rendered me more than melancholy.

No doubt of it—the enemy was apprised of our movements. In our special case—that we, the rangers, were to march on the following morning was well known to the people of the neighborhood. It had been known to them for several days; and it had not passed unobserved by us that the citizens of the place—those who were not Ayankindos—had lately shown themselves more sulky and inhospitable, in proportion as the time approached for our departure. The brusquerie had led to several street conflicts, in which knives had been drawn and blood spilled, and much "bad blood" begotten on both sides.

Another circumstance was not unnoticed amongst us. Ribald pasquades, rudely written, and accompanied by threats of proscription, were at this time thrust under the doors of such of the citizens who had been friendly to us. Even the alcalde had received some documents of this character—perhaps emanating from a jealous tiendero who looked with bitter eye upon the courtship of Wheatley and Conchita. It was not till afterwards I learned that similar missives had "come to hand" in a quarter that more concerned myself.

Some scouted the absurdity of these acts, alleging that they sprang from personal enmity, or originated in the mob-patriotism of the leperos. It was not so, as I afterwards learned; the government of the country, or at all events, several of its prominent members, countenanced the meanness; and at their instigation, a "black list" was made out in every town and village through which the American army had occasion to pass. Let the minister, Señor O—, make answer to this accusation.

I was musing on this disagreeable theme, after my return from the cerro, and endeavoring to sketch out some plan for the safety of my betrothed during my absence; but my thoughts proved barren. With a sort of faint hope that the villain Ijura might yet fall into our hands, I had dispatched Hollingsworth—nothing loath for his duty—with a party of rangers upon his trail, and I was impatiently awaiting their return.

The voice of Wheatley aroused me from my reverie. "Well, lieutenant; what is it?" "Only that precious boy" answered he, with a significant smile, at the same time ushering "Cyrio" into the room.

The lad carried a note, which I opened. A green sprig of juniper was enclosed and the simple word "tuya" was written in pencil. I knew that that symbol well. The juniper is tuya in that most beautiful of tongues, tuya from a lady signifies "yours."

"Anything more?" I asked of the messenger. "Nothing, Señor Capitan," answered the intelligent boy; "only to inquire if you had arrived safe."

She had been anxious then! I separated the bracelet into two equal parts; one I placed in my bosom; the other having fervently kissed, I enclosed in a folded sheet, upon which I wrote the words: "Tuyo—tuyo—hasta la muerte!"

At midnight, Hollingsworth and his party came in from the scout. Nothing had been seen of the guerrilla.

CHAPTER LII.

THE ROUTE.

It was a struggle between Aurora and the moon which of them should rule the sky, when our bugle ran its clear reveille, rousing the rangers from their slumber, and startling their steeds at the stall. The goddess of morning soon triumphed and under her soft blue light, men and horses could be seen moving about, until the bugle again sounded; this time "boot and saddle"; and the rangers began to form in the plaza, and prepare for the route.

A single wagon with its white tilt and long team of mules, already "hitched up," stood near the centre of the square. It constituted the whole baggage-train of the corps, and served as an ambulance for our invalids. Both baggage and sick had been safely stowed, and the vehicle was ready for the road. The bugler, already in his saddle, awaited my orders to sound the "forward."

I had climbed to my favorite "smoking-room," the azotea. Perhaps it was the last time I should ever set foot on those painted tiles. My eyes wandered over the plaza, though I little heeded what was passing there. Only the salient points of the picture were noted by me—steeds under saddle and bridle; men buckling on folded blankets, holsters, and valises; a few already in the saddle; a few more standing by the heads of

their horses; and still another few grouped around the door of the pulperia, having a last drink of mecal or catapan with their swarthy Mexican acquaintances. Here and there, in front of some adobe hut, might be observed a more tender leave-taking. The ranger fully equipped—with arms, haversack, and cañaca—leaning against the heavy bars of a window, with face turned inward, as though he was talking to some prisoner through the grating of jail. But he is himself the real captive, ensnared during his short sojourn, and still held in chains by the olive-skinned poblano whose dark liquid eyes may be seen on the other side of the reja, flashing with love, or melting with sad tenderness at the prospect of parting.

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