The Treasure of Franchard

By ROBERT LOUIS STEVENSON.

CHAPTER V. TREASURE TROVE.

The doctor's carriage was a two wheeled gig with a hood, a kind of vehicle in much or among country doctors. On how many roads has not one seen it, a great way off be tween the poplars—in how many village streets, tied to a gate post! This sort of chariot is affected, particularly at the trot, by a kind of pitching movement to and fro across the axle, which well entitles it to the across the axle, which well entitles it to the style of a Noddy. The hood describes a considerable are against, the landscape, with a solemnly absurd effect on the contemplative pedestrian. To ride in such a carriage cannot be numbered among the things that appertain to glory; but I have no doubt it may be useful in liver complaint. Thence, perhaps, its wide popularity among physicians.

One morning early, Jean-Marie led forth the doctor's noddy, opened the gate and mounted to the driving seat. The doctor followed, arrayed from top to toe in spotless followed, arrayed from top to toe in spotless linen, armed with an immense flesh colored umbrella, and girt with a botanical case on a baldric; and the equipage drove off smartly in a breeze of its own provocation. They were bound for Franchard, to collect plants,

with an eye to the "Comparative Pharmacopeia."

A little rattling on the open roads, and they came to the borders of the forest and struck into an unfrequented track; the noddy yawed softly over the sand, with an accompaniment of snapping twigs. There was a great, green, softly murmuring cloud of con-gregated feliage overhead. In the arcades of the forest the air retained the freshness of the night. The athletic bearing of the trees, each carrying its leafy mountain, pleased the mind like so many statues and the lines of the trunk led the eye admiringly upward to where the extreme leaves sparkled in a patch of azure. Squirrels leaped in mid air. It was a proper spot for a devotee of the goddess Hygein.

"Have you been to Franchard, Jenn-Marie!" inquired the doctor. "I fancy not." "Never," replied the boy.

"It is a ruin in a gorge," continued Des-prez, adopting his expository voice; "the ruin of a hermitage and chapel. History tells us much of Franchard; how the recluse was often slain by robbers; how he lived on a most insufficient diet; how he was expected to pass his days in prayer. A letter is pre served, addressed to one of these solitaires by the superior of his order, full of admira-ble hygienic advice; bidding him go from his book to praying, and so back again, for variety's sake, and when he was weary of both to stroll about his garden and observe the honey bees. It is to this day my own sysyou must often have remarked m eving the "Pharmacoposia"—often even in the middle of a phrase—to come forth in the sun and air. I admire the writer of that letter from my heart; he was a man of thought on the most important subjects. But, indeed, had I lived in the Middle Ages (I am heartily glad that I did not) I should have been an eremite myself-if I had not been a professed buffoon, that is. These were the only philosophical lives yet open: laughter or prayer; sneers, we might say, and tears. Until the sun of the Positive arose, the wise man had to make his choice between these two."

"I have been a buffoon, of course," observed Jean-Marie. "I cannot imagine you to have excelled in

your profession," said the doctor, admiring the boy's gravity. "Do you ever laugh?" "Oh, yes," replied the other. "I laugh often. I am very fond of jokes." "Singular being!" said Desprez. "But I

divagate (I perceive a thousand ways that I grow old), Franchard was at length destroyed in the English wars, the same that leveled Gretz. But—here is the point—the hermits (for there were already more than one) had foreseen the danger and carefully concealed the sacrificial vessels. These ves sels were of monstrous value, Jean-Marieonstrous value-priceless, we may say; exquisitely worked, of exquisite material. And now, mark me, they have never been found. In the reign of Louis Quatorze some fellows tock!-the spade hit upon an obstacle. Imagine the men looking one to another; imagine how their hearts bounded, how their color came and went. It was a coffer, and, in Franchard, the place of buried treasure They tore it open like famished beasts. Alas! it was not the treasure; only some priestly robes, which, at the touch of the eating air fell upon themselves and instantly wasted in to dust. The perspiration of these good fel lows turned cold upon them, Jean-Marie. will pledge my reputation, if there was any thing like a cutting wind, one or other had a pneumonia for his trouble. "I should like to have seen them turning

into dust," said Jean-Marie. "Otherwise should not have cared so greatly.' "You have no imagination," cried the doc

"Picture to yourself the scene. Dwell on the idea-a great treasure lying in the earth for centuries; the material for a giddy, copious, opulent existence not employed dresses and exquisite pictures unseen; the swiftest galloping horses not stirring a ho arrested by a spell; women with the beautiful faculty of smiles, not smiling; cards, dice, opera singing, orchestras, castles, beautiful parks and gardens, big ships with a tower of sail cloth, all lying unborn in a coffin-and the stupid trees growing overhead in the sunlight, year after year. The thought drives one frantic.'

"It is only money," replied Jean-Marie "It would do harm.

"Oh, come!" cried Desprez, "that is philoso phy; it is all very fine, but not to the point just now. And, besides, it is not 'only money,' as you call it; there are works of ar in the question; the vessels were carved. You speak like a child. You weary me exceed ingly, quoting my words out of all logical connection, like a paroquet." . "And at any rate, we have nothing to do

with it," returned the boy submissively. They struck the Route Ronde at that moment; and the sudden change to the rattling

causeway combined, with the doctor's irritation, to keep him silent. The noddy jigged along; the trees went by, looking on silently, as if they had something on their minds. The Quadrilateral was passed; then came Fran-chard. They put up the horse at the little solitary inn and went forth strolling. The gorge was dyed deeply with heather; the rocks and birches standing luminous in the sun. A great humming of bees about the flowers disposed Jean Marie to sleep, and he sat down against a clump of heather, while the doctor went briskly to and fro, with

quick turns, culling his simples.

The boy's head had fallen a little forward, his eyes were closed, his fingers had fallen lax about his knees, when a sudden cry called him to his feet. It was a strange sound, thin and brief; it fell dead, and silence returned as though it had never been interrupted. He had not recognized the doctor's voice; but, as there was no one else in all the valley, it was plainly the doctor who had given utterance to the sound. He looked right and left, and there was Desprez, standing in a niche be-tween two bowlders, and looking round on his adopted son with a countenance as white

"A viper!" cried 'Jean-Marie, running toward him. "A viper! You are bitten!" The doctor came down heavily out of the cleft, and advanced in silence to meet the boy, whom he took roughly by the shoulder.
"I have found it," he said, with a gasp.

'A plant?" asked Jean-Marie. Desprez had a fit of unnatural gayety which the rocks took up and mimicked. "A plant!" he repeated scornfully. "Well-yes -a plant. And here," he added, suddenly, showing his right hand, which he had hitherto concealed behind his back—"here is

one of the bulbs." Jean-Marie saw a dirty platter, coated

"That?" said he. "It is a plate!" "It is a coach and horses," cried the doctor. "Boy," he continued, growing warmer, "I plucked away a great pad of moss from between these bowlders, and disclosed a crevice; and when I looked in, what doc you suppose I saw! I saw a house in Paris with a court and garden, I saw my wife shining with diamonds, I saw myself of deputy, I saw you-well, I-I saw your future," he concluded, rather feebly, "I have just discovered America," he added.

"But what is it?" asked the boy.
"The Treasure of Franchard." cried the



upon the ground, he whooped like an Indian and sprung upon Jean-Marie, whom he suffo-cated with embraces and bedewed with tears. Then he flung himself down among the

eather and once more laughed until the valown—a boy's interest. No sooner was he re-leased from the doctor's accolade than he ran to the bowlders, sprung into the niche, and, thrusting his hand into the crevice, drew forth, one after another, incrusted with the earth of ages, the flagons, candlesticks and patens of the hermitage of Franchard. A casket came last, tightly shut and very heavy.

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But when he looked back at the doctor, who had followed close behind and was silently observing, the words died from his Desprez was once more the color of es; his lip worked and trembled; a sort of

bestial greed possessed him.
"This is childish," he said. "We lose precious time. Back to the inn, harness the trap and bring it to yon bank. Run for your life, and remember—not one whisper. I stay here to watch."

Jean-Marie did as he was bid, though not Jean-Marie did as he was bid, though not without surprise. The noddy was brought round to the spot indicated, and the two gradually transported the treasure from its place of concealment to the boot below the driving seat. Once it was all stowed the desire recovered his gravety.

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"I pay my grateful duties to the genius of this dell," he said. "Oh, for a live coal, a heifer and a jar of country wine! I am in the vein for sacrifice, for a superb libation. Well, and why not? We are at Franchard. English pale ale is to be had-not classical indeed, but excellent. Boy, we shall drink

"But I thought it was so unwholesome." said Jean-Marie, "and very dear, besides."
"Fiddle-de-dee!" exclaimed the doctor, gayly. "To the inn!"

And he stepped into the noddy, tossing his bead with an elastic, youthful air. The horse was turned, and in a few seconds they up beside the palings of the inn garden. "Here," said Desprez-"here, near the stable, so that we may keep an eye upon

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READING & COLUMBIA R. R.

Quarryville at 7.10 a m.

Sing Street, Lanc., at 8.05 a. m., and 3.15 p. m.

Arrive at
Reading, 10.10 a. m., and 5.55 p. m.

Leave
Reading, at 7.20 a. m., and 4 p. m.

Arrive at
King Street, Lanc., at 8.20 a. m., and 5.50 p. m.

Quarryville, at 6.60 p. m.

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At Manbelm with trains to and from Lebanon.
At Lancaster Junetion, with trains to and from Lancaster, Quarry ville, and Chickies.
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The Lancaster Accommodation leaves Marrisburg at 5:10 p. m. and arrives at I according to 5:70 p. m. and arrives at I according to 5:80 p. m. and reaches Marietta Africa 10:40 and 10:40 p. m. and reaches Marietta Africa 10:40 and 10:50 p. m. reaching Marietta at 10:60 p. m. and arrives at Columbia 10:50 p. inic, leaves at 5:00 and arrives at

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