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Select Tale.

The Mexican's Mistake.

There was Castilian blood in the veins of the dark-faced man...

This man was Benito Marmajo, a wild and restless fellow...

Let us record his last act. Straight to the most prominent drinking house...

His first act was the treating of the crowd and when the liquor had disappeared...

"To-morrow night the beautiful Senorita Inez becomes the Northern-er's bride...

The young man looked at Marmajo as he spoke, as if his words were addressed to that individual alone.

"The Mexican's face flashed. 'N't Benito Marmajo!' was the grating response...

"Who takes my wager?" the dark skinned A but cried, defiantly...

A moment's silence succeeded when a young man, who had entered the place in time to hear the offer...

A slight cheer went up from the crowd, and the handsome reprobate turned smiling upon the youth.

"Whether I am or not that does not effect the wages," he answered nettled somewhat by the Mexican's words...

"And Jose, here, the stake-holder!" "Si, senor."

"Good. Now Jose, let us have the best liquor that your house supplies."

The wager was sealed in draughts of tolerable good liquor, and Benito Marmajo withdrew from the convivial company...

One by one the drunken revelers left the drinking place with brains too befuddled to think of the covert threat so slyly concealed by Marmajo's wager...

ly in the world light. No cry welled from the braided lips...

On, still on! Was the devil never going to draw rein?

The wind blew back the froth that dropped from the horse's mouth and now and then it fell like snow...

It was getting dark on the night of the wedding when a mounted man drew rein under the branches of a tree...

A dreadful sight met the horse's gaze when he stood over the man whom he had dragged at his horse's heels for twenty miles...

The coil of a lariat hung from his saddle's pommel, and he seemed to be awaiting the approach of some person from the southeast...

At last he started and unclosed his lariat. Then the tread of a horse became distinctly audible...

"Alone!" mutters the watcher, astonished, and then with the lariat dangling from his hand...

The horseman continued to approach, apparently unconscious of the presence of the dare devil Adonis of New Mexico...

"I know his name—the hated American!" hissed Marmajo, as he hastily prepared the lariat for the throw...

Leon was the speaker's brother, a boy whom he had not seen for several years, but whose image was engrained on his heart...

The next minute the Mexican's steed darted forward, and the victim was jerked violently from the saddle...

The infernal noose had pinioned his arms to his sides, and a smile of malicious triumph crossed Marmajo's face...

"The thirty ounces are mine!" the lassor exclaimed, looking back; and then he laughed...

Over the gently undulating country and in the golden light of the moon, he bore his reckless rider, whose heart beat fast with a devilish triumph...

Beautiful, wealthy, and good, the maiden a descendant of one of Cortez's valiant followers...

A Funeral Procession. Sullivan, who lives on East Mar-rimace St. shot his neighbor's cat in his back yard...

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