

CARLOS AND THE CARLISTS.

THE PRETENDER TO THE THRONE OF SPAIN AND HIS STANDING.

HIS BIRTH AND HIS CLAIM, AND HOW HE WAS SUPPLANTED—THE CROWN ONCE WITHIN HIS REACH, BUT REJECTED.

While citizens of the United States are watching the struggle of the Cubans against Spain with interest, and taking sides with the intrepid insurgents, a part of the population of Spain shows an equal amount of sympathy. But there is a difference between the two

good and a virtuous woman,' but no one ever becomes enthusiastic about her.
 "On the other hand, Don Carlos inspires his party with enthusiasm—his followers have always been true to him. They have neither reward nor glory to expect. They make sacrifices of money and station, and have nothing in view but the elevation of their leader to the throne which of right is his. Even in Cuba there is a strong feeling in his favor at present. The chaotic condition of Spain would be ended if Don Carlos were made King."
 Don Carlos de los Dolores Juan Isidoro Josef Francisco Quirino Antonio Miguel Gabriel Rafael is the name in full of the pretender to the Spanish throne who is known as Don Carlos.

forts to gain his "rights" has always been able to go forward without placing himself under pecuniary obligations to his friends.
 The crown was within his reach in 1868, when the Queen was removed. Sagasta, as the official representative of the people, went to London, and there offered Don Carlos the crown of Spain, with the proviso that the country have a constitution, and that church and State be separated. He rejected the offer, saying that he would be King with unlimited power only.
 "When I come to my throne," he said, "I shall rule my land as I see fit." For this stand he received the praise of the Romish Church, and became still stronger with that element. In 1872 and 1873 there was much activity in the ranks of the Carlists, but their efforts did little more than to keep up the interest in the movement.
 When Don Carlos's wife died his friends thought that a solution to the Spanish problem might be reached if the Pretender would marry the Queen Regent, or if his son would marry the little Infanta; but Don Carlos had no ideas in that direction, and in 1894 married his present wife, the Princess Marie Bertha de Rohan, at Prague. She brought him another fortune. His son, Don Jaime, is a fine-looking young man, and holds a commission in the Russian army, where he is spoken of as the last of the Bourbon kings.

a chew of tobacco. If I had had something to strike back with it might not have been quite so funny—for him—but, unfortunately, I had left my weapons in camp.
 "And, again, I remember the time a lot of Indians who had been fooling around on the war-path were forced to capitulate and surrender their game to General Miles's command at the Pine Ridge agency; and the last thing the humorous cusses did before turning in their shooting-irons was to load every old musket of the lot half way to the muzzle with slugs and nails and scrap iron and other bric-a-brac of that sort, and then hang around, at a safe distance, to see the fun when a bonfire was made of the guns, as was the usual rule in such cases.
 "But, luckily for the soldiers, they discovered the trick in time, and the expected fun failed to pan out. Still, we must take the will for the deed, and this little incident goes to show that as a practical joker the wily aboriginal is not to be lightly sneezed at."

THE ELOPEMENT ENDED QUEERLY.

HOW AN ADVENTUROUS MAIDEN ACQUIRED A STEPFATHER INSTEAD OF A HUSBAND.

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In the White Oak neighborhood, in the eastern end of this county, lived a comely widow, Mrs. Martha Berry, aged about forty, and her pretty daughter, Matilda, who has just entered her eighteenth year. In the same neighborhood lived Johnson Whitley, a prosperous farmer of thirty and a widower. Whitley had been paying attention to Mrs. Berry's daughter for the last six months, and it was generally supposed throughout the neighborhood that they would be married soon. The mother, however, would not give her consent to the match, but she did not object to the young widower's calls. He pleaded with the widow for the hand of her daughter all to no purpose, and the young people decided on an elopement.

All the arrangements were made for the clandestine leave-taking, but the watchful mother discovered what was on foot, and on Friday night, the time set for the elopement, she went to her daughter's room shortly after dark and bound the girl hand and foot. She also tied a gag in her mouth and took her to her own room and tied her to the bed. She then returned to the daughter's room, and when Whitley came to steal away his lady love the widow answered the summons, and, without speaking a word, joined the young man in the yard. He assisted her into his buggy and drove with her to Grayson, the county seat of Carter County, where he had arranged with Judge Morris to perform the ceremony.

Whitley was struck by the silence of his companion, but as she leaned confidently on his arm and appeared to be sobbing all the time, he could do nothing more than caress her now and then and cheer her up by telling her that her mother would forgive her. He had no idea that he was carrying off the mother instead of the daughter, and it was not until after the ceremony was performed on the Judge's front porch and they had repaired to a hotel that the deception was discovered by Whitley. He was dumfounded, but realizing that he was the husband of his sweetheart's mother he concluded to make the

Those who have watched the progress of the Carlist movement, and know how dear the cause of the pretender is to the Vatican, wonder what stand the Church will take if an uprising should occur. Some years ago there would have been no doubt on the subject; but, in view of the stand taken by the Pope recently, when he urged his followers to support the government under which they live, his position in the case of a Carlist war must remain a matter of conjecture.

THE INDIAN AS A HUMORIST.

A CONTRADICTION OF THE BELIEF GENERALLY ENTERTAINED.

From The Detroit Free Press.

"Most everybody imagines that the North American Indian is a solemn and dignified individual," said the ex-Army officer, as he leaned gracefully back in his chair and lazily puffed away at his after-dinner cigar. "Before I met a redskin I don't know how many times I had heard it asserted that as a race they were as destitute of humor as a patent office report or a graven image. But when I got acquainted with the aboriginal in his native wilds I found that this was a mistake.

"The Indian is a born humorist. There isn't the slightest doubt of that. The great trouble is, however, that his humor runs chiefly to practical jokes. I remember one time meeting (or, rather, discovering a few rods distant) a big Indian when I was out walking alone about two miles from camp.
 "Well, he discovered me about the same time,



DON CARLOS, DUKE OF MADRID.
 (Pretender to the throne of Spain.)

classes. The American sympathizer with the Cuban cause desires the independence of Cuba; the sympathizer in Spain wants the defeat of the Spanish Government and cares little for the Cubans. These Spaniards are the members of the Carlist party, for whom any Spanish defeat would be a victory. Anything that would have a tendency to weaken the power of the reigning dynasty would be favorable to them, and for that reason a Cuban victory, a mutiny in the army, a defeat of the Spanish forces in the colonies, a bad crop or refusal on the part of the money powers to extend loans, or even a pestilence within the borders of the kingdom, would be factors toward strengthening the Carlist sentiment.

The leaders of the party are active at the present time, and the cause of Don Carlos is advocated not only in Spain, but in every civilized country in the world. In the United States the number of Spaniards is comparatively small, but there is nevertheless a Carlist representative in New-York, who directs and manages the American part of the movement, and keeps in touch with the pretender, who lives in Venice.

R. D. de la Cortina, the Carlist leader in America, in speaking of the present condition of Spain, said that the only solution to the question and the only salvation for Spain is the triumph of Don Carlos.

"All over Spain," he said, "the feeling against the Canovas party is growing, and as it sinks into disfavor the Carlist party rises. We are receiving messages constantly confirming the discontent of the people with the Government and the enlistment of recruits from all sources to the cause of Don Carlos. The friends of the Queen are her friends because they derive their living at her hands. But even they are not loud in their praises of her. All say: 'She is a

He was born in the little town of Laibach, in the Austrian Alps, while his parents were on a journey through the country, and from his infancy there has been an atmosphere of romance about the figure of Don Carlos, which is now more prominently before the public than it has been for many years. His father was the nephew of Ferdinand VII of Spain, and his mother was the sister of the Duke of Modena. They were exiles from Spain, and when Don Carlos was born in 1818 his parents were royal wanderers. The Emperor Ferdinand of Austria befriended the couple, gave them shelter and they placed the child in the keeping of a Spanish priest, under whose instructions he was to be educated for the priesthood.

Through the act of Ferdinand VII, who had no sons, the Salic law, which made only male heirs eligible to the throne, was revoked, and by that means Isabella advanced to the throne, leaving the young Don Carlos only a pretender. As such he was always active, and even in his early boyhood carried himself and acted toward those with whom he came in contact in a manner in keeping with his standing. His early education made a lasting impression on him, and, whatever his acts in politics or state affairs may have been, he always remained and is to-day a devout Romanist, and his cause has always been espoused by the Vatican.

He met and fell in love with Margaret, the daughter of the Duke of Parma, when he was seventeen years old and she only fourteen, but at the instance of the young man's mother, who was the daughter of Comte de Chambord, the marriage was postponed for three years. With his wife the pretender received a large fortune, and has been able to maintain a court and the semblance of royalty ever since. He is one of the richest princes in Spain, and in all his ef-



DON CARLOS AND HIS WIFE, MARIA BERTHA.

and the minute he did so he let out a terrific warwhoop, began flourishing his tomahawk and started for me on a run. He chased me until I keeled over from exhaustion, and then, instead of scalping me, as I naturally expected he would from his previous actions, he assisted me to my feet, with a broad grin on his face, and grunted: "Ugh! Indian only yell for fun. Too bad scare white man. Injun don't want scalp. Want chew terbacker!"
 "The whole proceeding, it seemed, was only his humorous method of striking a stranger for

best of what appeared to be a bad bargain. His neighbor he said that although he thought he was dead in love with Matilda, he always did look his peculiarly wedded wife home, and to a think a great deal of her handsome mother.
 Matilda was discovered bound in her mother's room by a neighbor the next morning, and when she learned of the trick her mother had played her she took the matter philosophically, and said that while she thought she loved Mr. Whitley she is now satisfied that she did not. She promises to be a dutiful daughter to him.