

THE  
R O M A N Y R Y E ;

A SEQUEL TO "LAVENGRO."

BY GEORGE BORROW,

AUTHOR OF  
"THE BIBLE IN SPAIN," "THE GYPSIES OF SPAIN," ETC.

---

"Fear God, and take your own part."

---

*New Edition.*

LONDON:  
JOHN MURRAY, ALBEMARLE STREET.  
1896.

# CONTENTS.

---

## CHAPTER I.

	PAGE
The Making of the Linch-pin—The Sound Sleeper—Breakfast—The Postillion's Departure . . . . .	1

## CHAPTER II.

The Man in Black—The Emperor of Germany—Nepotism—Donna Olympia—Omnipotence—Camillo Astalli—The Five Propositions . . . . .	3
--	---

## CHAPTER III.

Necessity of Religion—The Great Indian One—Image-Worship—Shakespeare—The Pat Answer—Krishna—Amen . . . . .	6
--	---

## CHAPTER IV.

The Proposal—The Scotch Novel—Latitude—Miracles—Pestilent Heretics—Old Fraser—Wonderful Texts—No Armenian . . . . .	10
---	----

## CHAPTER V.

Fresh Arrivals—Pitching the Tent—Certificated Wife—High-flying Notions . . . . .	17
--	----

## CHAPTER VI.

The Promised Visit—Roman Fashion—Wizard and Witch—Catching at Words—The Two Females—Dressing of Hair—The New Roads—Belle's Altered Appearance—Herself Again . . . . .	20
---	----

## CHAPTER VII.

The Festival—The Gypsy Song—Piramus of Rome—The Scotchman—Gypsy Names . . . . .	25
---	----

## CHAPTER VIII.

	PAGE
The Church—The Aristocratical Pew—Days of Yore—The Clergyman—"In what would a Man be Profited?" . . . . .	29

## CHAPTER IX.

Return from Church—The Cuckoo and Gypsy—Spiritual Discourse . . . . .	32
---	----

## CHAPTER X.

Sunday Evening—Ursula—Action at Law—Meridiana—Married Already . . . . .	36
---	----

## CHAPTER XI.

Ursula's Tale—The Patteran—The Deep Water—Second Husband . . . . .	43
--	----

## CHAPTER XII.

The Dingle at Night—The Two Sides of the Question—Roman Females—Filling the Kettle—The Dream—The Tall Figure . . . . .	47
--	----

## CHAPTER XIII.

Visit to the Landlord—His Mortifications—Hunter and his Clan—Resolution . . . . .	52
---	----

## CHAPTER XIV.

Preparations for the Fair—The Last Lesson—The Verb Siriel . . . . .	53
---	----

## CHAPTER XV.

The Dawn of Day—The Last Farewell—Departure for the Fair—The Fine Horse—Return to the Dingle—No Isopel . . . . .	57
--	----

## CHAPTER XVI.

Gloomy Forebodings—The Postman's Mother—The Letter—Bears and Barons—The Best of Advice . . . . .	59
--	----

## CHAPTER XVII.

The Public House—Landlord on His Legs Again—A Blow in Season—The Way of the World—The Grateful Mind—The Horse's Neigh . . . . .	63
---	----

## CHAPTER XVIII.

Mr. Petulengro's Device—The Leathern Purse—Consent to Purchase a Horse . . . . .	69
--	----

CHAPTER XIX.

	PAGE
Trying the Horse—The Feats of Tawno—Man with the Red Waistcoat—Disposal of Property . . . . .	70

CHAPTER XX.

Farewell to the Romans—The Landlord and His Niece—Set Out as a Traveller . . . . .	74
--	----

CHAPTER XXI.

An Adventure on the Roads—The Six Flint Stones—A Rural Scene—Mead—The Old Man and His Bees . . . . .	75
--	----

CHAPTER XXII.

The Singular Noise—Sleeping in a Meadow—The Book—Cure for Wakefulness—Literary Tea Party—Poor Byron . . . . .	79
---	----

CHAPTER XXIII.

Drivers and Front Outside Passengers—Fatigue of Body and Mind—Unexpected Greeting—My Inn—The Governor—Engagement . . . . .	82
--	----

CHAPTER XXIV.

An Inn of Times gone by—A First-rate Publican—Hay and Corn—Old-fashioned Ostler—Highwaymen—Mounted Police—Grooming . . . . .	84
--	----

CHAPTER XXV.

Stable Hartshorn—How to Manage a Horse on a Journey—Your Best Friend . . . . .	88
--	----

CHAPTER XXVI.

The Stage-Coachmen of England—A Bully Served Out—Broughton's Guard—The Brazen Head . . . . .	90
--	----

CHAPTER XXVII.

Francis Ardry—His Misfortunes—Dog and Lion Fight—Great Men of the World . . . . .	95
---	----

CHAPTER XXVIII.

Mr. Platitude and the Man in Black—The Postillion's Adventures—The Lone House—A Goodly Assemblage . . . . .	99
---	----

CHAPTER XXIX.

Deliberations with Self—Resolution—Invitation to Dinner—The Commercial Traveller—The Landlord's Offer—The Comet Wine . . . . .	103
--	-----

## CHAPTER XXX.

Triumphal Departure—No Season like Youth—Extreme Old Age—Beautiful England—	PAGE
The Ratcatcher—A Misadventure . . . . .	106

## CHAPTER XXXI.

Novel Situation—The Elderly Individual—The Surgeon—A Kind Offer—Chimerica	
Ideas—Strange Dream . . . . .	109

## CHAPTER XXXII.

The Morning after a Fall—The Teapot—Unpretending Hospitality—The Chinese Studen	112
---	-----

## CHAPTER XXXIII.

Convalescence—The Surgeon's Bill—Letter of Recommendation—Commencement of the	
Old Man's History . . . . .	116

## CHAPTER XXXIV.

The Old Man's Story continued—Misery in the Head—The Strange Marks—Tea-dealer	
from London—Difficulties of the Chinese Language. . . . .	122

## CHAPTER XXXV.

The Leave-taking—Spirit of the Hearth—What's o'Clock? . . . . .	127
---	-----

## CHAPTER XXXVI.

Arrival at Horncastle—The Inn and Ostlers—The Garret—Figure of a Man with a Candle	128
--	-----

## CHAPTER XXXVII.

Horncastle Fair . . . . .	130
---------------------------	-----

## CHAPTER XXXVIII.

High Dutch . . . . .	135
----------------------	-----

## CHAPTER XXXIX.

The Hungarian . . . . .	136
-------------------------	-----

## CHAPTER XL.

The Horncastle Welcome—Tzernebock and Bielebock . . . . .	146
---	-----

## CHAPTER XLI.

The Jockey's Tale—Thieves' Latin—Liberties with Coin—The Smasher in Prison—Old	
Fulcher—Every one has his Gift—Fashion of the English . . . . .	149