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*The Tower that Collapsed*

Whoever puts their body in danger in the service of the Virgin will be protected by her from all ill, as she is our Lady of kindness.

On this I will tell a miracle which occurred in the great port named after our glorious Lady, which lies beside the Mediterranean sea and beside the great ocean which holds the earth in its bosom and goes round the whole world, as scripture says.

In that place they were building a church and many people worked there with great eagerness for this holy Lady. And they were digging deep foundations, all made with the hardest stone, so that the building could be well secured and firm.

And the work was dug so deep that if you looked closely at it you would believe that anyone falling into it could never get out, but would immediately perish, for it was very deep and the pit was very dark.

One day thirty workmen were earning their wages by digging there beneath the corner of a tower, and that tower which was resting on earthworks fell over onto them, but they were not afraid

for the Glorious Virgin in whose service they were working on the church, which they were glad to do, protected them so that they suffered no harm in any of their limbs or even their joints.

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And however hard they worked before, they worked much harder thereafter, so that they rapidly completed that church making it so beautiful and solid that all who saw it declared that its like was not to be found in all Estremadura.