Political Maneuvering

The Alquerian system of government, governing by referendum was a workable form of anarchism. The vote always supported the popular view which corresponded to the popular politicians. Manuela and Antonio Poyato in coalition with Loco Paco while Rodriquez seethed in opposition.

Manuela was always popular with the men and Poyato, although he grew the Remitroot Whisky which kept half the village in a state total inebriation was a non-threatening individual and popular with all. Loco Paco aroused the Mothering instinct and pity of the female population owing to his inherent insanity. Rodriquez however was a vile man who was loathed by all except those sycophants who were attracted by his wealth. It is clear from the above that all the decisions made went in favour of Manuela and Co. which was the left-wing view. Rodriquez was the arch-capitalist and dreamed of moulding Alqueria into a Dickensian workhouse the dream of every conservative government whether in Madrid or London.

Rodriquez hatched a not so cunning plan. He would break the coalition by setting each against the other, then provide free Remitroot Whisky to all rendering them incapable of rational thought. While the People of the Pueblo are in this state he would declare himself dictator and over a period of time introduce a privileged society of which he and his minions benefited. He got the idea from Cameron's Tory Party.

Loco Paco, as readers may recall has a five foot tall imaginary rodent friend called Bert with whom he converses on a wide range of subjects. It was a simple matter for Rodriquez to plant the thought in Paco's simple brain that Poyato had physically abused Bert with his boot. Paco, and his pets imaginary and real retired to the cellar of the town hall where he barricaded the door.

With Loco Paco safely in his cellar Rodriguez now circulated the rumour that Poyato was broadcasting a story which involved Manuela, the Atlético Nijar football team and an industrial strength barrel of Swarfega, disturbing in its detail. Manuela checked her records and found that particular football team wasn't listed among her exploits but she made a note of the Swarfega for future reference. She went in search of the unfortunate Poyato armed with a very large 'turkey baster' and a bottle of Tabasco.

Antonio Poyato was completely ignorant of the charges laid against him but when Manuela hove into view threatening to give him a piquant enema he took to his heels. He was last seen wearing false testicles at a freak show in Mojacar.

Will Rodriquez prevail?

Stay tuned.