

And we know as heretofore by Christian chivalry
 My trenchant blade shall then be rayed ^{erier endangered be} ~~but a moment's time~~
 For pay: Pagan foes reserve thy blow ^{on aught} ~~in aught~~ ^{the Turc and Moor}
 Mine edge shall smite in bitter fight or merciless estour. †

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Years since that day, have rolled away and Bayard, bent to death,
~~Keats Biographical notes, outstretched exhaled his latest breath.~~

Breath Rebecca's wails outstretched ^{exhaled his latest} ~~exhaled his last~~ breath
 "Jesus!" he cried were he died - ^{but cross had none} ~~no cross had he~~, I wish with
 That ^{same} good sword - hilt cruciform, which with pale lips he kiss †

† Note to preceding Page

"Tu es bien heureuse d'avoir aujourd'hui, à un si
 beau et si puissant Roi, ~~de la part de Dieu~~ l'ordre de
~~chevalerie~~ chevalerie. Certes, ma bonne épée, vous
 serez comme reliques gardée, et sur toute autre
 honneur honorée! - Précis de la Chevalerie préfixé
 to the Plus d'Armes de la Bergère."

† - Estour - tournois - tourney.

† "This sword has been lost. Charles Emmanuel, Duke of Savoy, requested
 it of Bayard's heirs. One of them Charles Du Motet, Lord of
 Anichiane, sent him in default of it the battle-axe of which Bayard
 made use. The Duke told the Dauphin's gentleman when he
 wrote to thank him for his present "That in the midst of the pleasure
 he felt at beholding his weapon placed in the most part of
 his gallery he could scarce choose but regret, that it was not
 in such good hands as here of its original owner." Champion
 Champion. - See also the account of Bayard's death
 in the Chronicle of the loyal Servant.