

THE VEXING HEIRLOOM

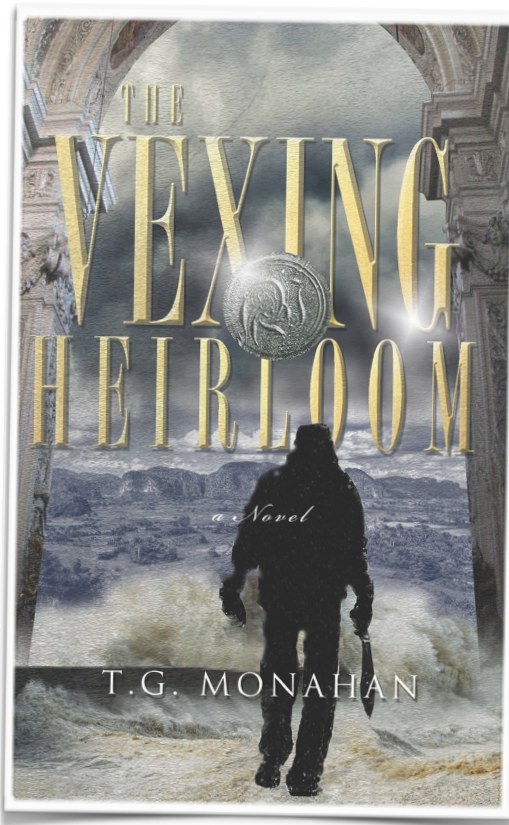
a Novel

An Epic of Cuba meets the Hero's Journey
in a Fallen Idealist's Quest for Redemption

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"What makes *The Vexing Heirloom* such a remarkable debut—and T.G. Monahan such a formidable writer—is the combination of a rich Cuban history with elements of magic realism overlain, delivered with page-turning and crackling tension. This is polished prose, a solid story, and a unique voice. This is a writer to watch." —Les Edgerton, Author of *Hooked*

It is the Cuban War of Independence, 1896. The medallion around the woman's throat is there for Hilaríon's taking, but the soldier-turned-highwayman cannot bring himself to commit murder. He chases the mysterious woman into the wilds. He'll seize his plunder, then while away the rest of his life in some far-flung corner of the globe. But she tempts him with a better choice. Ypriána is a savior on a mission—or so she believes. Her people, the M'Brae, have long lived in darkness, but an ancient promise of priceless treasure gives them a glimmer of hope. Only through her can they overcome the Vexing Heirloom, the deadly gauntlet preceding the treasure, yet she needs Hilaríon's help. As armies clash all around them, Hilaríon and Ypriána marshal her people along the perilous quest, bringing them face-to-face with savage enemies, mind-bending riddles, and treachery even within their own ranks. Seeing himself through Ypriána's eyes, Hilaríon staggers ever closer unto redemption, yet he finds the mounting questions more trying still. *Is finding treasure worth such pain? Could treasure be more than just a prize?* And in their darkest hour, when the line between friend and foe vanishes, Hilaríon must forsake what he desires most and find the hero within.



HISTORICAL FANTASY FICTION
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