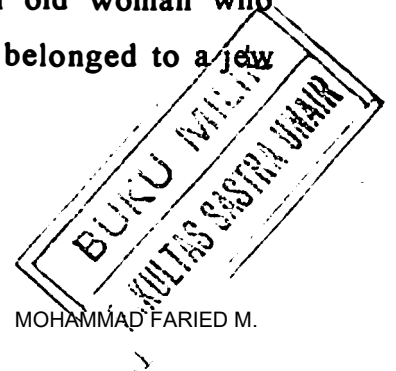


SYNOPSIS

Being known of making love with Cunegonde, the daughter of Baron Von Thunder-ten-Tronckh, Candide was expelled from Baron's Westphalian castle. In a village Candide met with two Bulgarian Soldiers who led him off to their regiment where Candide was given a military training. One day he was accused to commit desertion. At the court martial he was punished to run the gauntlet. Fortunately, at that moment the king of Bulgaria passed by, and pardoned him.

He kept walking and reached Holland. Here Candide accepted a cruel and ignominious treatment since he doubted whether Pope was anti-Christ. Then, He was helped by a kindly Anabaptist named James. The next day Candide met a beggar who was Dr. Pangloss, his former mentor. He told Candide that Cunegonde and his family were invaded by the Bulgarian Army.

Two months later, James took the two philosophers to accompany him to go on business to Lisbon. During the journey, the ship was struck by a terrible storm and caused the death of the Anabaptist. As they walked towards Lisbon, they were shocked by a tremendous earthquake. After that, the country's leading thinkers decided to commit an *auto-da-fe* to avoid total destruction. The victims were a Biscayan and two Portuguese. Followed those victims were Candide and Pangloss. Fortunately, there was another earthquake in the same day that saved Candide. Then, he was taken care by an old woman who faced him with Cunegonde. She told Candide that she belonged to a Jew named Don Isaachar and a Grand Inquisitor.



Candide who was in panic killed Don Isaachar and the Grand Inquisitor. Caaaaaandide, Cunegonde, and the old woman decided to run away. Finally they arrived at Cadiz where there was a preparation to invade the jesuit fathers of Paraguay. Candide was accepted to be a captain after displaying his military ability. He could take aboard with the old woman and Cunegonde.

On reaching Buenos Aires, they paid a visit to the governor who wanted Cunegonde. The Governor ordered to go and inspect his company while he proposed to marry Cunegonde. At that moment an alcaide and a party of alguazils came to Buenos Aires to capture Candide for killing Don Isaachar and Lord Inquisitor. Candide ran away leaving Cunegonde in Buenos aires.

In his escape, Candide was accompanied by Cacambo. Candide who once fought against jesuits, was advised by Cacambo to fight on their side. In the jesuits' headquarter Candide was accepted by the Reverend Father Commandant who was Cunegonde's brother, Baron. In this occasion, Candide expressed his wish to marry Cunegonde. This made Baron furios and the fight was inevitable. Baron was stabbed. Candide and Cacambo escaped.

Experiencing so many misadventure, Cacambo suggested returning to Europe. They first went to Cayenne. But, they finally reached a country called El Dorado. They were accepted kindly by the citizens. After being welcomed by the King, they decided to leave El Dorado. They brought also a few sheep laden with victual, pebbles and the clay of the country.

They separated on returning at Surinam. Cacambo was asked to bring off Cunegonde in Buenos Aires by bringing diamonds and Candide went to Venice. In Venice, Candide met with Cacambo who became a

slave. Cacambo informed that Cunegonde was at Constantinople. They went to Constantinople. In a galley that would take them to the shore of the Propontis, they accidentally met Dr. Pangloss and Baron. Candide was surprised to see them alive.

Candide eventually met Cunegonde and intended to marry her, but Baron objected. This made Candide furious since he had done many things for the benefit of Cunegonde. Actually Candide had no wish to marry her, but Baron's insolence made him determine to do so. And Cunegonde pressed him that he could not recant. As the old woman suggested, Candide rented a small farm in the neighbourhood to reach happy life.

In the end, everything in life grew wearisome. Candide soon became bored and tired. Candide decided to wander without any particular directions. At Tauris, Candide's arrival had been talked of widely. People began to suspect that he was a philosopher. News of this reached Ed-Ivan-Baal-Denk who, then, presented Candide to the King of Ispahan. Candide scholarship delighted the king that he was given advancement to the rank of his most intimate favourites. Candide got an ultimate honour that envied the courtiers.

Then Candide was appointed plenipotentiary Governor of Chusistant. On the way of the journey, He was attacked by five hundred heavily armed horsemen that caused him to lose one of his legs. But candide kept continuing his journey to his governorship and later became a successful governor.

One day when he was walking in the street of Sus, Candide met Monsieur l'Abbe from Perigord who once had greedily deceived him. Candide threatened to take him to court since he did not like rascals like him. The Abbe begged Candide's mercy and Candide could not

helped giving his mercy. Moreover, Candide wrote to Reverend Ed-Ivan-Baal-Denk on Abbe behalf. But the Abbe used his skill to win the favour of the Prime minister with the latter object he spread a rumour that Candide had committed High Treason by speaking irreverently of the sopher's whiskers. The result was that he was sentenced to a perpetual banishment.

Candide departed from Sus and after travelling several days he reached the Turkish frontier. Passing through a small town, Candide met with Pangloss. They finally returned at their dwelling. They were so surprised knowing the reality that the Sultan, the High Admiral, has confiscated all Candide's goods, under pretext that Candide had gone over his enemies, and condemned Martin, Cunegonde, and Cacambo to slavery. Candide and Pangloss parted from their friends and set out in haste for Constantinople. They found the capital in consternation. Since Pangloss still said that all was for the best, an officer of the sublime Porte took Pangloss by the waist and threw him into flames. Candide crept to another quiet district.

Candide felt that happiness has forsaken him forever. He decided to go to Denmark. In the journey, he met Zenoida whose parents were dead caused by poisonous fruits. Candide took her in his journey. Gradually their loves grew. One day came a man named Volhall who took Zenoida harshly to his mansion in Copenhagen. Candide felt in despair. A servant of Volhall suggested to follow Zenoida to Copenhagen and become Volhall's servant. Candide and Zenoida could still get in touch.

Candide's happiness was broken by the coming of Cunegonde. But through Cunegonde he knew that Cacambo and Martin were at the city. Candide insisted Cunegonde to leave. Then he met Cacambo who told

him that Pangloss had been drowned. Suddenly Candide received a letter from Zenoida insisting him to leave the mansion since their secret love was discovered by Volhall. Facing this bitter fact, Candide meditated suicide, but cacambo advised to delay it. They continued walking. In atavern, they joined a peasant dancing party, but they involved in a fight . They then cured themselves in a wayfarer hospital and decided to stay for some time.

Candide was disributing some thin, ill-lasting broth, when he met Dr. Pangloss, but a few moment later he died. Candide mouned his death and he lost all taste for travelling. Unfortunately, Cunegonde soon arrived at the hospital with his brother, Baron, who intended to consent the ratification of Candide's marriage with Cunegonde. This Put Candide to anger, but, however, he accepted Baron's suggestion to go to Germany. At the Danish frontier, Candide was caught by the guard under command of Volhall. Cunegonde and Baron determined to returned to Germany.

Candide expected a dreadful fate of his arrival in Copenhagen. Immediately on his arrival he learnt that Volhall was dead. Candide and Zenoida felt happy. The news of the death of Cunegonde. A few times later, enabled Zenoida to rehabilitate herself in popular favor since her previous connection with Candide had been a publicc scandal. Candide and Zenoida finally got married. With an aid of a Genealogist, she found that Candide real name was Canute which was the name of one of the kings of Denmark. By means of this little change - Candide to Canute - Candide became a great lord. He lives happily with Zenoida.