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#### CHAPTER I.

#### IN WHICH COUNT PATÉ DE FOIE GRAS OF EN BROCHETTE HAS A STRANGE ADVENTURE WITH AN UNKNOWN LADY.



AT twenty minutes past eleven o'clock on the morning of the fifth Monday of March, 1684, anybody had accosted me as I sat in the large window on the Rue de June

Fourteenth side of the Café D'Œuf, in the fiftcenth Arondissement of the Quartier Latin, Paris, France, and offered me even so little as a sou for my thoughts, I should, on my honor as a gentleman, have closed the bargain then and there if perchance the sale were for ready money, for to confess the sorry truth, I, Huevos Pasada par Agua, Count of Paté de Foie Gras and Marquis Presumptive of the Estates of Pollio Grille in Spain, just arrived after an eventful journey from the paternal acres of En Brochette, had naught within my purse, nor for that matter in the saddle bags resting athwart the shoulders of my tried and trusty steed Gambetta, now restlessly champing his crupper buckle in full view of the merry