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CHAPTER I

FRESH FIELDS AND PASTURES NEW

It was an awful disappointment.

I had been sent out to a company by their London office, and there had been nobody in the office who had visited the company's sphere of action in Mexico, their knowledge of the concern being entirely gained through the monthly reports and balance-sheet of their manager abroad. The manager was not pleased; he was thoroughly over-worked and under-staffed, and was impatiently awaiting the arrival of an assistant who must of necessity be a complete and certificated surveyor, a book-keeper and salesman, and a finished Spanish scholar. Instead of this the London office had sent me—with a year's contract and an infinitesimal salary, and possessed of no qualifications for the job, having been lured into accepting a billet that was supposed to be one of those delightful tropical sinecures where, after about a year's apprenticeship (hence the infinitesimal