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"The swallow brings us news
"Tis time to sell the winter cloak, and buy the summer blouse."
ARESTOPE, BERDS, 714. June.

"The sundry contemplation of my travels, which, by often rumination, wraps me in a most humorous sadness." Shaksperk.





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#### NOTE.

This little book is a record of a few weeks' travel in Greece last summer. It does not make the least claim to thoroughness; no deep questions of archæology are discussed; only the vivid impressions of the moment are given; and the task of discussing the moral and political regencration of the modern Greeks is left to more elaborate investigators. The journey was a delightful succession of pictorial surprises; the landscape and the externalities of Greece could alone be noted, and there was no time for discussing Greek parliamentary reform, the subtler aspects of Greek character, or the inner and profounder life of this interesting people. The indulgence of the kindly reader is therefore asked for the many (doubtless) hasty judgments of these pages, the sudden transitions from subject to subject, the use of the present tense, and the constant recurrence of I. A book written in the fields, hotels, and ships, on one's knees, or sauntering through olive groves with the thermometer 100° Fahrenheit, must be guilty of all these; so slight and perishable a thread of oriental travel hardly deserves the memorializing help of print at all. The author, however, with due apologies, brings it before the public with the hope that it may attract more attention to a field still little explored by tourists.

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LEXINGTON, VA.

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