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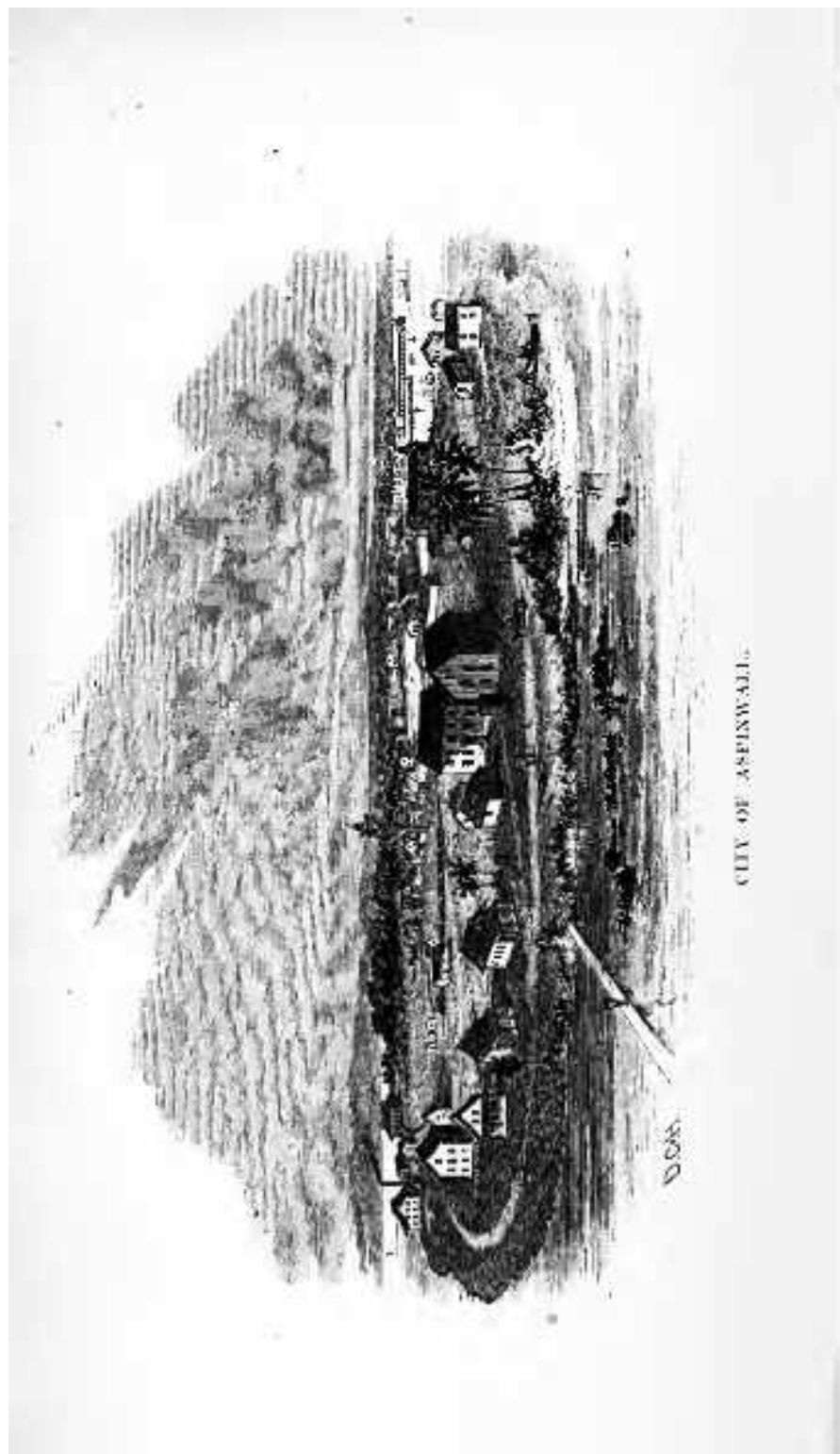
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THIS little book is a record of observations made during a short residence on the Isthmus of Panama, under circumstances very favorable for the acquisition of such information as it is thought the public desire to have.

While the author has striven to make his book useful as a guide to the traveler, and instructive to those interested in the commercial development of the Isthmus, under the auspices of the Panama Railroad, he has endeavored to give a picturesque interest to his work which may render it acceptable to the general reader.

That the lively parts of his book may not be deemed frivolous by one class of readers, and the serious found dull by the other, is the hope of

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