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# CASTLE SOMBRAS

## CHAPTER I

### THE CAMP BELOW THE CASTLE

ON a certain autumn evening in the year 1524, a troop of soldiers had halted before a wayside inn among the wilds of Yorkshire. The captain and the sergeant of the troop had taken up their quarters in the tavern, while the men had pitched their tents upon a space of grass-ground opposite, on the other side of the road. Between the tents and the road a huge fire had been kindled, round which most of the soldiers were lying or sitting. Some were engaged in eating, drinking, or cooking, while others were scouring steel caps and