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BY  
THE AUTHOR.





## PREFACE.

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Part of the "*Diary in the Dardanelles*," now submitted to the Public, appeared in the *Nautical Magazine* of 1844. The whole is here given in a pocket-volume, in compliance with the request of friends who, seeing that no work had been hitherto specially devoted to the region described, were anxious that such a topographical link should immediately be supplied. I feel that the only recommendation I may myself offer on the behalf of my "*Diary*," is that it was in reality written in the Dardanelles, and not in England.

That this journal will prove tolerably useful to travellers generally, I am vain enough to expect, taking as a standard not the *literati* of our London Societies, but the class of Tourists, who day by day are, thanks to the Southampton steamers, now to be found in the East.

I am not bold enough to write for "learned Pundits;" and I have even abstained from penning a page

or two on that tempting subject "The Troad," in sight of which classic spot the first paragraph of my "Diary" was commenced.

The concluding Sketch I have ventured to insert, entitled "The Pirates of the Archipelago," is reprinted to show that there is still a stern necessity to maintain an active naval force in the Levant for the protection of our commerce.

Each case of piracy, I have here referred to, *actually occurred*, and the capture of the "Three Sisters," near Gibraltar, at the close of the year 1848, proves, whatever may be asserted to the contrary, that with regard to Mediterranean Piracy, "the snake is but scotched, not killed."

Admiral Sir Charles Napier may now square all accounts with the Emperor of Morocco; but in Greece little safety can be expected without the continual pressure of a much stronger squadron than England usually stations in the "Arches."

*United Yacht Club-house,*

*Feb. 1, 1849.*

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