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SALTILLO.

HIGH o'er the barren plain the rugged heights
Of wild Sierra tower to the sky,
And round the crested peaks, like phantom sprites,
The clouds in mimic squadrons march on high;
Or, loudly roaring through the rifted hills,
The chilling NORTHER sweeps the mountain's side.
And blends its uproar with the foaming rills
Which plunge o'er cliffs, or through the valleys glide.

'Tis here, upon the mountain's craggy breast,
Saltillo lies—"The City of the Poor"—
Where man by Man and Bigotry oppress'd,
Lives but to want and beg from door to door:
For here the demon Superstition reigns,
And sways her sceptre o'er the darken'd mind—