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[&]quot; The Land of the Free, and the Home of the Brave!"

[&]quot; A great country this!!!"

[&]quot;The Queen of the World, and the Child of the Strics!!!"

Common American Sagings.

To H—— H——, Esq., London.

My DEAR SIB,

I had proposed during a late trip to New York to write you a series of letters, descriptive of the United States, and the impressions made upon my mind during a few months' travelling through that country. But, somehow or other, I never felt in the vein, and therefore preferred the leisure of the voyage home, and such accommodations as are to be met with in a private cabin, to give you these Rambles all of a heap, and thus save you, at least, the expense of foreign postage.

Hoping you will make allowance for the tossing of a ship, and not consider the book too curiously, but rather as the plain sentiments of a practical man, I remain,

> My dear Sir, Your ever obliged friend,

> > RUBIO.

Paris, October, 1845.

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CHAPTER I.

Nothing can be more unlike our previously conceived notions of any country than the reality on arrival. All the books that have ever been written on the subject of America, from Fearon to Toqueville, are quite inadequate to give the reader anything more than a very vague and faint idea of the Great Republic, as the natives delight to call it.

All that nature has done for America is great and noble, on a magnificent and gigantic scale; her rivers, mountains, lakes, cataracts, forests, plains, minerals, heats, frosts, fevers, and premature deaths, are all astounding and calculated to inspire us with awe-