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AND now within the old gray tower
We've climbed the winding stair,
And look out over all the earth
From topmost window there.

Far stretches all the world away,
And naught shuts out the sky,
And knights and maids and all of life
Go marching, marching by.



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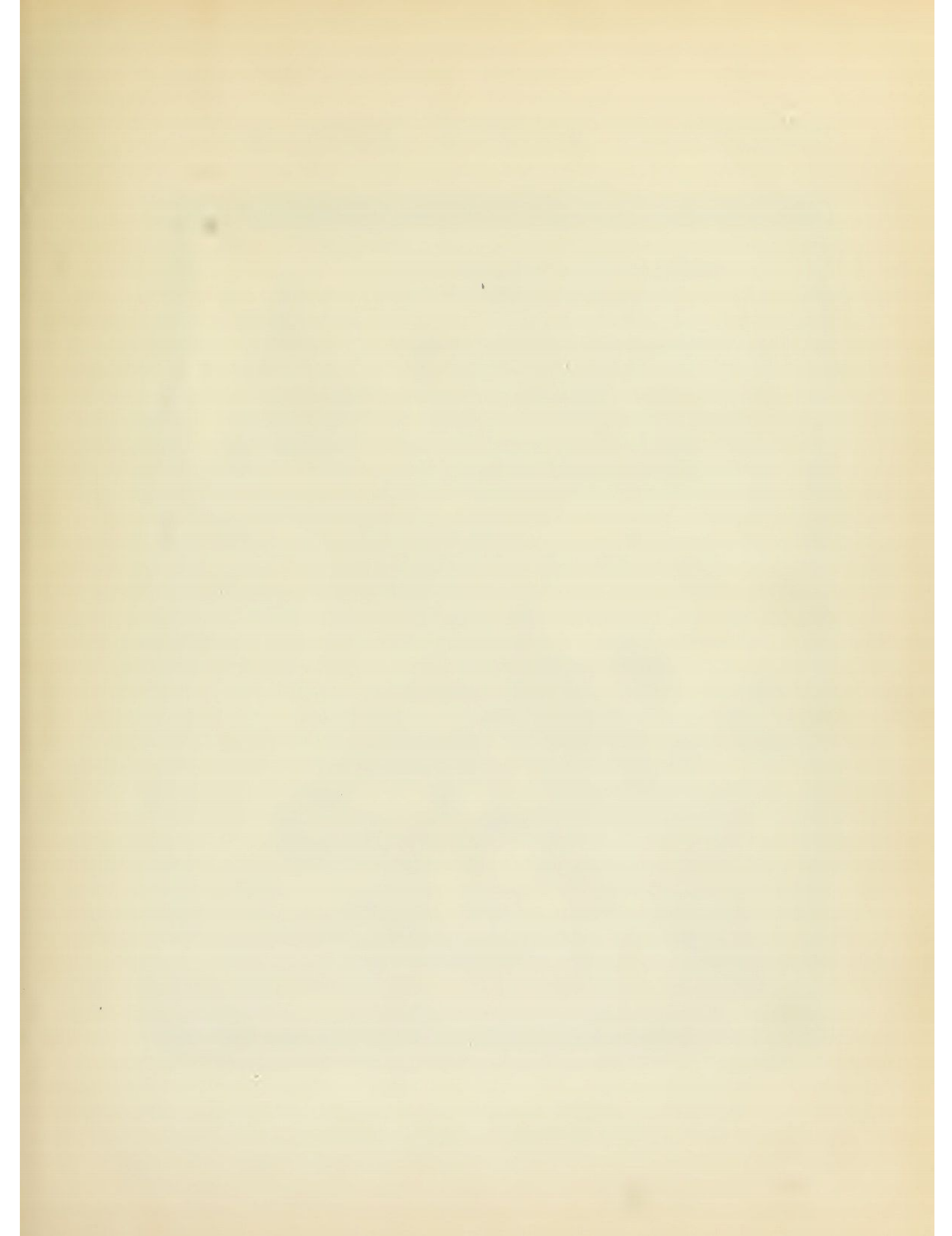
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The BUGLE SONG *Alfred Tennyson*

The Splendour falls on Castle walls
And snowy Summits old in Story,
The long light shakes across the lakes,
And the wild Cataract leaps in glory.
Blow, bugle, blow, set the wild echoes flying,
Blow, bugle, answer, echoes, dying, dying, dying.




DONN P. CRANE

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UNA AND THE RED CROSS KNIGHT

Retold from Book I of The Faerie Queene

Edmund Spenser

OW Glo-ri-an'a was that greatest, most glorious Queen of Faeryland and she did keep her feast for twelve days every year, during which time, as the manner then was, she might not refuse to any man or woman what boon soever he desired of her. On a certain year it happened in the beginning of the feast that there presented himself before the throne of Gloriana a tall, clownish young man, who, falling before the Queen, made request that he might have the achievement of any adventure which during that feast should happen. That being granted, he rested him on the floor, unfit through his rusticity for a better place.

Soon after, entered a fair lady in mourning weeds, riding on a white ass, with a dwarf behind her leading a warlike steed and bearing the arms and spear of a knight. The Lady, falling before the Queen of Faeries, complained that her father and mother, an ancient King and Queen, had been by an huge dragon many years shut up in a brazen castle, who thence suffered them not to issue; and therefore besought the Faery Queen to assign her some one of her knights to take on him the deliverance of these twain. Presently that clownish person, upstarting, desired that adventure; whereat the Queen much wondering, and the Lady much gainsaying, yet he earnestly importuned his desire. In the end the Lady told him that unless that armor which she brought would serve him, he could not succeed in that enterprise; for that armor was of such a sort as would fit him only who had great courage and faith, great uprightness and truth; which armor being forthwith put upon the youth with due furnitures thereunto, he seemed the goodliest man in all that company and was well liked of the Lady.

And eftsoons, taking on him knighthood, and mounting on

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that strange courser, he went forth with her on that adventure. Right faithful and true he proved, and on his breast and shield he wore a blood-red cross in dear remembrance of his dying Lord and to make known to all the world that he would give battle only in the cause of righteousness and truth.

Beside the Red Cross Knight, upon her snow white ass, Una, the lovely Lady, rode, her face well veiled from sight beneath her wimple, and over all her garments she wore a long black robe, as one who inwardly did mourn for thinking ever on that ancient King and Queen, her father and mother, shut up in prison by so foul a beast. After her, on a line, she led a snow-white lamb. As pure and innocent as that same lamb the Lady Una was and all her heart was full of virtue, loyalty and truth. Far away behind the Lady and the Knight the dwarf did lag, bearing fair Una's bag of needments at his back.

As they passed thus along the road the sky was sudden overcast and down upon the path there poured a hideous storm of rain. Enforced to seek some covert, they espied a grove not far away,

*Whose lofty trees, yclad with summer's pride,
Did spread so broad that heaven's light did hide,
Not pierceable with power of any star.
And all within were paths and alleys wide,
With footing worn, and leading inward far;
Fair harbor that them seems, so in they entered are.*

Safe enshrouded from the tempest beneath those sheltering boughs they journeyed forward, led on with pleasures, and joying to hear the sweet harmony of birds that sang within that wood as though no tempest raged without. Thus with delight they beguiled the way until the storm was overblown, when they weened to return out of that wood, and once more take the highway they late had quitted. But now when they looked about to find that path down which they had so carelessly strayed, lo! it was nowhere to be seen. So far within the wood they had pursued their way that they knew not how they might come out.

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To and fro they wandered, but so many paths there were, so many turnings, that they were ever in doubt which one to take and found their wits grown quite confused. They only wandered round and round and deeper in. At last, resolved to fare straight forward along a certain road until at least it brought them somewhere, they chose the one that seemed beaten most bare by travellers' feet, and journeyed on.

But, though they knew it not, alas! this was the Wandering Wood, wherein many a traveller had lost himself and never found a way out more. For in a hollow cave amid the dimmest density of those dark trees, there lurked a monster vile, who was the sovereign of that whole domain and hated God and man. By wicked spells of that same evil creature, all who entered in that wood were made to take the false for true, the true for false, and so to wander in a circle hopelessly. Ever her joy was to bewilder men, mislead them into sore mistakes and errors grievous to be borne.

At length the Knight, with Una and the dwarf, came sudden on that hideous, darksome cave, which Una had no sooner seen, than she, whose clear vision ever grasped the truth, knew this for the Wandering Wood and that cave for the fearsome dwelling place of that foul breeder of bewilderment. Then, all too late, she would fain have had her Knight draw back and not rush forth to call the monster from its lair; and eke the dwarf, thrilled on a sudden with the weird unspoken horror of the place, quoth shrilly, "Fly! fly! This is no place for living men!"

But the youthful Knight, full of fire and hardihood, could not be stayed for aught. Dismounting from his horse, he hurried to the darksome entrance of that cave and looked within. His glistening armor made a little glooming light, by which he saw the ugly monster plain, half like a serpent, loathsome, filthy, foul. And as she lay upon the dirty ground, her huge tail overspreading all the den and pointed with a deadly sting, a thousand young ones all about her lay, of sundry shapes, each more

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ill-favored than the rest. No sooner did the light flash on them from the Knight's bright suit of mail than they in terror crept into their mother's mouth and sudden all were gone. Then that old serpent, hurling her hideous tail about, rushed forth out of her den afraid. There seeing one all armed in mail, she sought to turn back again, for creature, as she was, of foul deceits, deluding all, she ever hated light and lurked in darkness where none might see her plain. But when the valiant Knight perceived what she would do, he leapt fierce as a lion on his foe. With his stout blade he boldly stayed her from returning to the dark, forced her to face him squarely and do battle in the light. Lifting his powerful arm, he struck a stroke that glanced her head and spent its stunning weight upon her shoulder. Much daunted by the blow, she gathered herself around, reared fiercely up and leapt upon his shield, winding her tail all suddenly about his body round and round, till hand and foot she had him so embound he could not move a muscle, even as when, once yielded to her deceits, she wraps a man in endless train of errors and mistakes and holds him altogether in power of her delusions.

The Lady Una, seeing her Knight in so sore strait, cried out:

*"Now, now, Sir Knight, show what ye be,
Add faith unto your force and be not faint;
Strangle her, else she sure will strangle thee!"*

In answer to her bidding, the Knight knit all his force together,

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got one hand free and seized the monster's throat with grip so strong that soon she was constrained to loose her wicked bands. Therewith she spewed out of her filthy mouth a flood of poison, horrible and black, filled full of frogs and toads and serpents small, her loathly offspring, foul and blind and black as ink. These, swarming all about, climbed up the good Knight's legs and sore encumbered him, but had no power to do him harm. Thus, ill-bestead, he suddenly resolved to win, and struck at the serpent with such force as one would never dream was possible to man, so that he clove her hateful head from off her body. A stream of coal black blood gushed forth, whereon the serpent's scattered brood, finding no more their wonted refuge in her mouth, plunged in that coal black stream and perished all. Thus the good Knight's evil foes did slay themselves.

His lady, seeing from afar all that was come to pass, rode up in haste to greet the victor with rejoicings of his victory. Then he mounted once again upon his steed, and with his lady and the dwarf, chose that path leading from the hateful place which was beaten most plain. Nor would he again let aught tempt him to turn aside into a byway. That one path he followed steadfastly until it brought him well without the Wandering Wood.

Now as they three journeyed forward once more in search of adventure, it chanced at length that they came upon an aged man in long black robes, with bare feet and a beard all hoary gray. Sober he seemed, and simple, wise and good, and ever as he walked he bent his eyes full humbly on the ground, and seemed to pray. The Red Cross Knight saluted him and asked him if he knew of any strange exploit that needed to be done. The old man answered that he knew little of such matters, so far did he live in his quiet cell away from all worldly cares and strife. Yet had he heard of a strange wild man that wasted all the countryside and never had been mastered and he could lead the Knight to him if sobeit he desired. Then did Una in her

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simple wisdom show her Knight 'twere wiser that he rest that night after his sore affray and seek new adventure with the morrow. The Hermit bade them pass the night with him and so in his company they rode on to his home.

*A little, lowly Hermitage it was,
Down in a dale, hard by a forest's side,
Far from resort of people that did pass
In travel to and fro. A little wide
There was an holy Chapel edified,
Wherein the Hermit duly wont to say
His holy things each morn and eventide.
Thereby a crystal stream did gently play,
Which from a sacred fountain wellèd forth alway.*

In this simple, rustic retreat Una and the Knight found no great entertainment, but rest was their feast and the evening passed in fair discourse, for that old man had store of pleasing words as smooth as glass. But when the drooping night came creeping on them fast, and weariness weighed down their lids, the Hermit led his guests each unto his several lodging and bestowed them there to sleep. Then to his study and magic books he went and sudden threw aside the holy Hermit's guise. For this old man, enwrapped in false hypocrisy and well appearing words, was none other than Ar-chi-ma'go, a magician foul, enemy to Gloriana, Queen of Faeryland, and foe of all things good. He knew full well upon what worthy quest the Red Cross Knight was bound, and hating above all things else to see good accomplished in the world, was well resolved to bring that quest to naught by means of wicked spells and foul enchantments that he knew. So long as all true holiness within the heart of that good knight in closest union stood with that sage wisdom and straightforward truth that shone from Una, none could withstand these two. Together they were invincible; apart, each could but wander uselessly without the other, and so Archimago was resolved first in his wicked plan to separate the two.

From out his book he chose a few most horrible words, whereof

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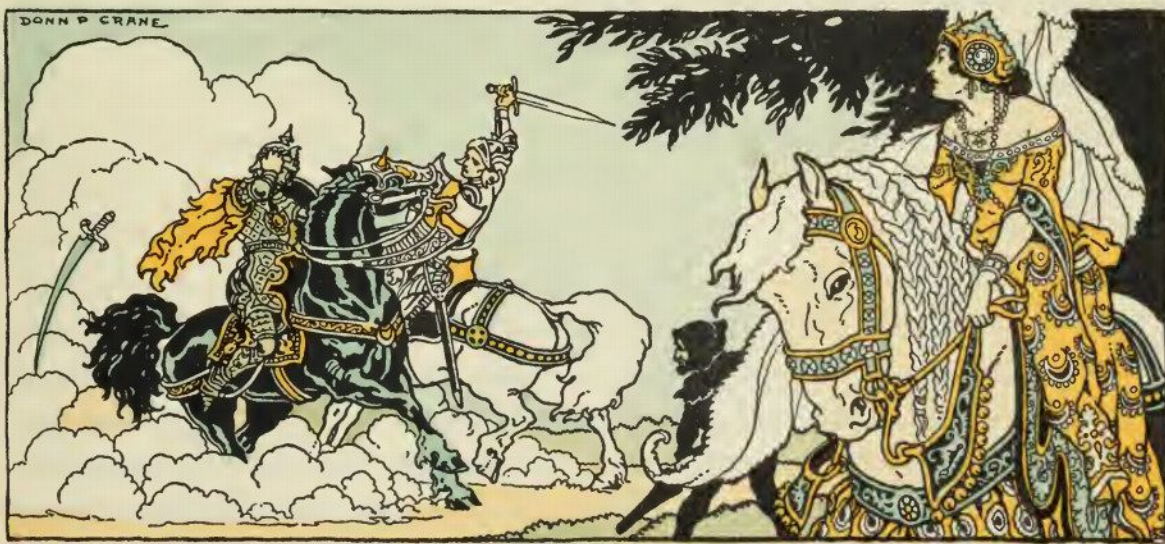
he framed weird verses dread that spoke reproachful shame of highest God, the Lord of life and light. With these and other devilish spells, like terrible, he called out of the darkness legions of wicked sprites, the which like little flies fluttered about his head, waiting to do what service he should bid. Of these he chose the falsest two, those fittest for to forge true-seeming lies.

One he sent to Mor'pheus, god of sleep, to fetch an evil dream. The other with charms and hidden arts he made into a lady fair, most like to lovely Una. The first wicked sprite returned from the bowels of the earth where Morpheus dwelt and brought the evil dream. Coming where the Knight in slumber lay, he placed the dream upon his hardy head, and straightway the Knight did dream that Una, whom he loved and honored above all maids of earth and whose true love for him he trusted quite, was false to him, left to him the dangers of her quest, yet loved another in secret. Still was the Red Cross Knight too true and brave a man to let himself be troubled by a dream. Again and once again that troublous dream essayed to make him rise and leave the lovely maid. He held his ground and nought could make him disbelieve the pure and loyal faith of Una. When Archimago saw this labor all in vain, he took that same wicked sprite who brought the dream from Morpheus, and made him by his arts appear a knight. To him he brought the sprite whom he had cloaked with Una's form. Then with well feigned faithfulness, he ran and woke his guest and bade him rise and come to see his lady Una holding secret converse in the darkness with another knight. All in amaze the Red Cross Knight sprang up and, sword in hand, went with the aged man. When he beheld those sprites—one so like to Una—in close and hidden com-

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munion with a stranger knight, then indeed at last he held her truth for false and held the false for true. Within himself he struggled long until the evening star had spent its lamp in highest sky. Then, sore tormented, he donned his armor to ride away, and that long-faithful dwarf, hearing his tale, deemed also that his mistress must be false, and so these two fled from the Hermitage, and left fair Una deserted and alone.

Now when the rosy fingered morning rose from her saffron bed to spread her purple robe through dewy air, and the rising sun touched the high hills with light, then Una rose from the couch where she had slept and sought her Knight and dwarf. Alas! She found them gone, herself deserted quite, and knew no reason why she should thus have been left in such a woful case. Weeping full sore, she set forth from the Hermitage alone upon her snow-white ass and rode after the Red Cross Knight with all the speed that her slow beast could make. All was in vain. The Knight's light-footed steed, pricked by his master's wrath, had borne him so far away that following him was fruitless. Yet would faithful Una never rest. Every hill and dale, each wood and plain she searched, sore grieved that he whom she loved best had left her so ungently all alone.



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Meantime the Red Cross Knight pursued his way, flying before his thoughts and led astray by grief. And so it chanced he met at last a faithless Saracen, all armed, and bearing a great shield whereon in gayest letters was writ his name, *Sansfoy*. He was a man full large of limb and by his bearing it was easy to be seen he had no care for God or man. Beside him a fair companion rode, a goodly lady clad in scarlet cloth embroidered with gold and pearls. Upon her head she wore a splendid headdress and her palfrey was all decked with tinsel, while her bridle rang with little golden bells.

When this lady saw the Red Cross Knight advance, she bade her companion address him to the fray. Forward the faithless *Sansfoy* sprang. The other couched his spear and rode likewise forward. Soon they two met in furious shock; the horses staggered and gave back a pace. Then both knights seized their swords and fell upon each other furiously so that the flashing fire flew from their stricken shields as from an anvil beat with hammers.

“Curse on that cross,” quoth then the Saracen, “that keeps thee from all harm!” Therewith he smote a blow so fearful on his enemy’s crest that in the breast of that good Knight the natural courage awoke, and such a blow he struck upon the Saracen’s helmet in return, it cut clean through the steel and clove his head.

The lady, seeing her champion fall dead like the old ruins of a broken tower, fled from the place in fright, but the good Red Cross Knight rode after her, bidding the dwarf to come behind and bear the Saracen’s shield as sign of victory. When the lady saw the victor-knight close on her heels, she turned and cried as though in great humility, “Mercy! Have mercy, Sir!” The humbleness of one clad in such rich garments did much enmove the stout heroic heart of that good Red Cross Knight. He gently bade the dame put fear away and tell him who she was, and who he was that had been her champion. Melting in tears the wretched woman

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told a tale all false, how that she was Fi-des'sa, the faithful maid, much wronged by fortune and fallen by force into the hands of the proud Sans-foy', one of three wicked brothers that were called Sans-foy', the faithless, Sans-loy' the lawless, and Sans-joy', the joyless. The Red Cross Knight, deceived by her beauty and her simple dainty ways, held all her words for true, and bade her rest assured and journey on with him protected by his care. Yet every word she spoke was false. Not Fidessa, the faithful maid, was she, but Du-es'sa, false, a vile enchantress, ever arrayed against all good. She had not been stolen by Sansfoy, for he, the faithless man, was chosen knight of her, the faithless dame. Yet now, that all too easily the Red Cross Knight had believed the evil spoken of his innocent Una and parted from her, fair falsehood stepped into true Una's place to work the Knight much woe.

They two journeyed on together until at last, wearied of the way, they came upon a spot.

*Where grew two goodly trees, that fair did spread
Their arms abroad with gray moss overcast;
And their green leaves, trembling with every blast,
Made a calm shadow far in compass round.*

Yet, beautiful though the spot appeared, there lurked a something sinister in the air about, so that the fearful shepherds never sate beneath those boughs, but shunned the place and never there did sound their merry oaten pipes. The good Knight, howsoever, soon as he spied the trees, thought only of the cool shade they offered, for golden Phoebus had now mounted in the heavens so high that the beams hurled from the fiery wheels of his fair chariot were scorching hot, and the Knight's new dame might not abide them. They therefore alighted from their steeds and sate them down beneath the trees, and the Red Cross Knight, now altogether deceived by this false dame, thought her the fairest he had ever seen. To make a garland for her dainty head, he plucked a bough from one of those two trees, whereon there trickled from the wound small drops of blood, and from the tree a human voice



cried piteously, "O spare to tear my tender side! And fly, Sir Knight! Fly far from hence, lest that befall you here that here befell to me." The good Knight's hair stood up in horror on his head at hearing words like these from out a tree and he made loud demand to know who thus addressed him in so strange a way. Then, groaning deep, the voice cried out that he was once a man, Fradubio, now a tree, and she who was to blame for his sad fate was one Duessa, a false dame.

It happened in his youthful days he loved a fair and lovely maid, Fraelissa, yet fell in on his travels by chance with that Duessa, who by her wiles beguiled him so he grew confused and knew not which was fairer, she or his own maid. His own dear dame was fair as fair might be, yet ever false Duessa seemed as fair, till at the last, bewildered quite by her enchantments, he saw his true and faithful dame as foul and ugly and herself, Duessa, alone as fair. Then he in anger cast his true-love off and chose Duessa for his dame and she, Duessa, turned Fraelissa to a tree. With her, the witch, he journeyed on, beguiled by her appearance of fair innocence, until the year turned round to that one day when witches must appear in their true guise. Then did it chance Fradubio came all unexpectedly upon Duessa bathing in a stream and saw her for what she was, a filthy, foul, old hag, misshapen, monstrous and more hideous than man could have believed. Awakened thus to see the truth, he secretly resolved to free himself from her foul snares, but she, perceiving how his thought toward her had changed, through charms and magic

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changed him also to a tree to stand there by his true-love's side.

The Red Cross Knight was much enmoved by this unhappy tale and with fresh clay he closed the wound that he had made, yet was he blind as ever to the truth that this dame, here with him, who called herself Fidessa, was none other but that same false witch. Well she pretended that fear and sorrow and pity at this tale had made her swoon, and so drew his attention to her need, that he could think of none but her. At length he brought her to herself again, set her upon her steed and they fared forth, forgetting Fradubio and his dame.

Long they two journeyed till at last they saw rising before them a splendid castle, toward which a smooth broad highway led, whereon great troops of people travelled thitherward, yet ever those returning from the place seemed only wretched beggars that sank beside the road and lay in misery beneath the hedges.



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*A stately palace built of squared brick,
Which cunningly was without mortar laid,
Whose walls were high but nothing strong or thick,
And golden foil all over them displayed,
That purest sky with brightness they dismayed.
High lifted up were many lofty towers
And goodly galleries far overlaid,
Full of fair windows and delightful bowers,
And on the top a dial told the timely hours.
It was a goodly heap for to behold,
And spoke the praises of the workman's wit;
But full great pity that so fair a mould
Did on so weak foundation ever sit;
For on a sandy hill, that still did flit
And fall away, it mounted was full high,
That every breath of heaven shakèd it.
And all the hinder parts, that few could spy,
Were ruinous and old, but painted cunningly.*

Thither Duessa bade her knight to bend his way. The gate stood open wide to all; they entered in and sought the hall where dwelt the proud, disdainful lady of the place. On every side were wondrous rich array and many people clad in splendor. High above all upon a cloth of state there rose a rich and shining throne, whereon in gorgeous royal robes that shone with gold and precious jewels, sat the fair maiden queen. So proud she was, she kept her eyes raised high as though disdainful to look so low as on the humble earth, and in her hand she held a mirror, wherein she often viewed her face, taking delight in naught so much as in gazing on her own self-loved semblance. Proud Lu-ci-fer'a men called this queen, and she had usurped her throne with tyranny and wrong, for she had no rightful kingdom at all. Nor did she rule her realm with laws, but by changing policies and evil advisements of six old wizards.

An usher, full of pompous vanities, led Duessa and the Knight before proud Lucifera's feet to do her reverence, but she looked down upon them haughtily as though loath to cast her eyes so low and greeted them disdainfully, scarce bidding them to rise, nor did she vouchsafe them any other favor as a worthy Princess

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would have done. The knight and ladies received Duessa and her champion well, for in that court Duessa was well known, yet the stout-hearted Red Cross Knight in spite of this display, thought all this glory empty and most vain and that great Princess too exceeding proud.

On a sudden the royal dame rose up from her throne and called for her coach. Then she sallied forth, her brightness all ablaze with glorious glitter, and climbed into her coach that was adorned with gold and hung with gayest garlands. But lo! what strange steeds bore that splendid chariot—six strange beasts on each of which rode one of those six evil counsellors that had governance of the realm. First rode a sluggish, lazy, idle wight in a black monk's robe, astride a slothful ass, and even as he led the way, his head was nodding and he drowsed in sleep,—an evil one to guide the van, who knew not whether he went right or wrong.

Beside this idle counsellor there rode a loathsome gluttonous fellow upon a filthy swine. His belly was swollen with fat, his eyes deep sunk in rolls of fat, but his neck was long like any crane's, that he might swallow up excessive food. In green vine leaves he was clad; he wore an ivy garland on his head and ever as he rode he ate and drank—not fit to be the counsellor of a queen, whose mind was drowned in meat and drink.

The third counsellor in a fair green gown, rode upon a bearded goat, and man and beast were both wall-eyed, a sign of raging jealousy. The fourth, thin, spare and clad in threadbare coat, a greedy miser was, who sate astride a camel loaded down with gold. Two iron coffers hung on either side, full of precious metal, and in his lap an heap of coins he counted over. Of his ill-gotten treasure he made a god and unto hell had sold himself for money, so that he knew not right from wrong. Through daily care to get and nightly fear to lose what he had got, he led a wretched life, nor had of his possessions any joy at all.

Next him the fifth counsellor found place, an envious man and



THE GREAT EASTERN MUSEUM



The Great Eastern Museum is a collection of historical artifacts and documents. It is located in the heart of the city, and is open to the public. The museum is a treasure trove of information, and is a must-visit for anyone interested in the history of the region. The collection includes a wide range of items, from ancient tools and weapons to more recent historical documents and photographs. The museum is a great place to learn about the past, and to see the things that have shaped the region over the centuries. The museum is a great place to spend a day, and is a great way to learn about the history of the region. The museum is a great place to learn about the past, and to see the things that have shaped the region over the centuries. The museum is a great place to spend a day, and is a great way to learn about the history of the region.

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REPORT OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE LAND OFFICE

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THE HISTORY OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK

From the first settlement of the Dutch in 1624 to the present time. By James Osgood Ketchum, Esq. of the City of New-York.

NEW-YORK: Printed and Sold by G. B. RAY, at the Bookstore of the City of New-York, No. 101 NASSAU-STREET, 1846.

The first settlement of the Dutch in the city of New-York was made in 1624, by the arrival of the ship *Beemster*, from the Netherlands, with a number of men, who were afterwards joined by others from the same country, and by the English, who had been driven from the island of Roanoke, and who had taken refuge in the city of New-York. The Dutch, however, were the principal inhabitants, and they were the first to build a fort, which was called *Fort Amsterdam*, and which was the first fortification in the city. The city was then a small settlement, and it was not until the year 1660, that it began to grow, and to become a city. In 1674, the city was taken by the English, and it was then called *New-York*, in honor of the Duke of York, who was the second son of King Charles II. The city continued to grow, and it became one of the most important cities in the world. In 1789, the city was the seat of the first Congress of the United States, and it was then that the city became the capital of the new nation. The city has since that time continued to grow, and it has become one of the most important cities in the world.



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THE HISTORY OF THE WORLD

CHAPTER I
THE BEGINNING OF THE WORLD

IN THE BEGINNING, GOD created the world, and the earth was without form, and void, and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters.

And God said, Let there be light: and there was light. And God saw that the light was good: and God separated the light from the darkness.

And God called the light Day, and the darkness Night. And the evening and the morning were the first day.

And God said, Let there be a firmament in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters.

And God made the firmament, and separated the waters which were under the firmament from the waters which were above the firmament: and God called the firmament Heaven.



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THE HISTORY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

The history of the United States of America is a story of growth, struggle, and achievement. From the first European settlements to the present day, the nation has evolved through various stages of development. The early years were marked by the struggle for independence from British rule, leading to the signing of the Declaration of Independence in 1776. This was followed by the drafting of the Constitution in 1787, which established the framework for the federal government. The subsequent years saw the expansion of the territory and the growth of the economy, but also the emergence of sectional tensions that culminated in the Civil War (1861-1865). The war resulted in the abolition of slavery and the strengthening of the Union. In the decades following the war, the United States experienced rapid industrialization and territorial expansion, leading to the acquisition of the West and the Pacific. The late 19th and early 20th centuries were characterized by the rise of the Progressive Movement, which sought to address social and economic inequalities. The United States emerged as a global superpower after World War II, playing a central role in the Cold War and the promotion of democracy and human rights. Today, the United States continues to face challenges such as globalization, technological change, and environmental issues, but remains a leading nation in the world.

The following table shows the results of the survey conducted in the year 1870-1871. The data is presented in a tabular format, with columns representing different categories and rows representing individual entries. The table is organized into several sections, each corresponding to a different aspect of the survey. The first section, titled 'General Information', provides an overview of the survey's scope and objectives. The second section, 'Detailed Findings', presents the results of the various tests and experiments conducted. The third section, 'Conclusions', summarizes the key findings and offers insights into the implications of the survey. The final section, 'References', lists the sources of information used in the study. The table is presented in a clear and concise manner, allowing for easy comparison and analysis of the data. The use of a tabular format is particularly effective for presenting large amounts of data in a structured and organized way. The table is a valuable tool for researchers and students alike, providing a comprehensive overview of the survey's results and findings. The data presented in the table is both accurate and reliable, reflecting the high quality of the survey and the care taken in its execution. The table is a testament to the thoroughness and attention to detail that went into the survey, and it is a valuable resource for anyone interested in the field of research.

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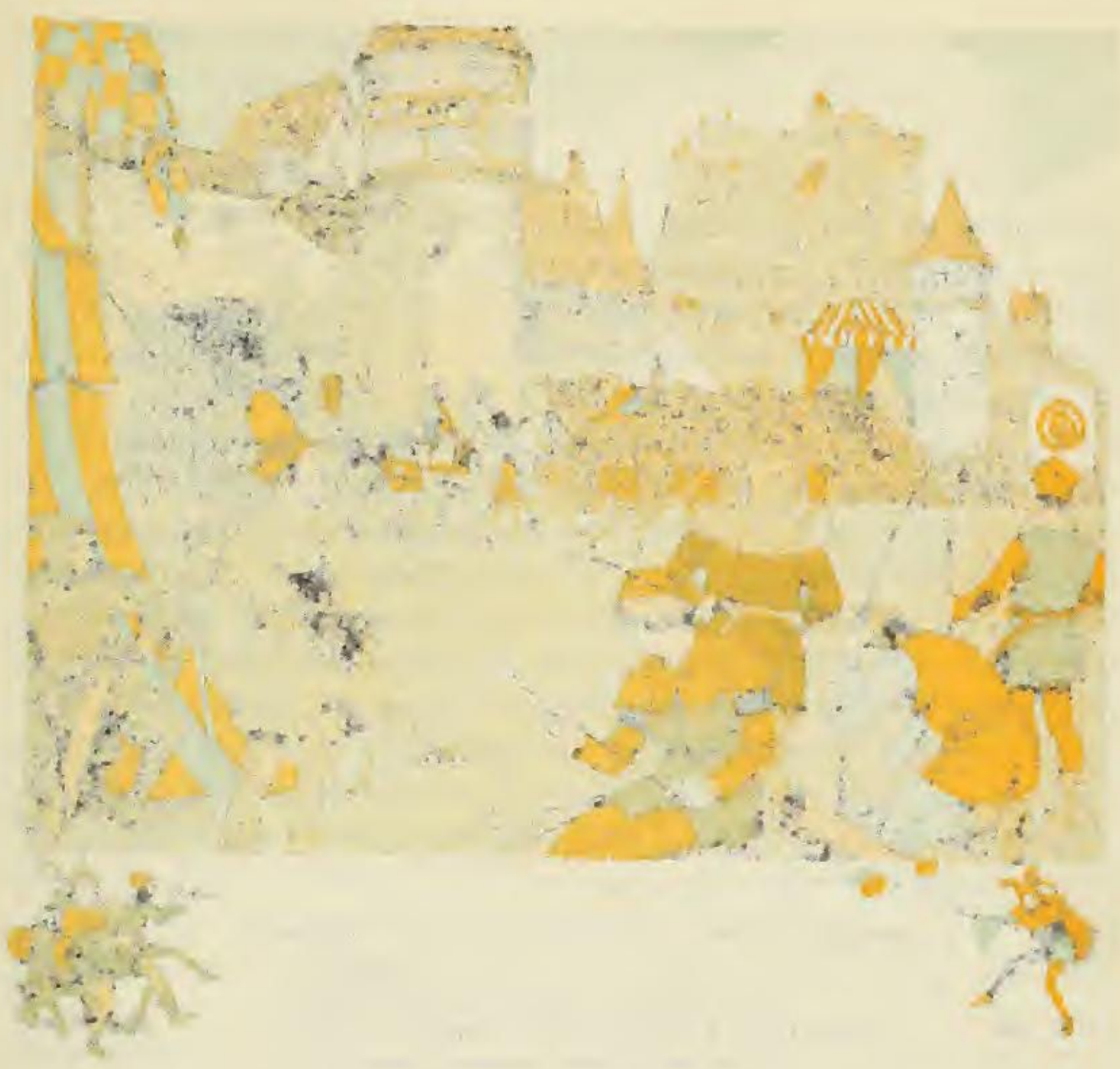
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THE HISTORY OF THE UNITED STATES

The history of the United States is a complex and multifaceted story that spans centuries. It begins with the early Native American civilizations, such as the Mayans, Aztecs, and Incas, who developed advanced societies in the Americas. The arrival of European explorers in the late 15th and early 16th centuries marked the beginning of a new era. The Spanish, French, and British established colonies and territories across the continent, leading to a period of intense competition and conflict. The American Revolution (1775-1783) was a pivotal moment in the nation's history, as the thirteen original colonies declared their independence from Great Britain. This led to the formation of the United States of America, a new nation based on the principles of liberty, democracy, and the rule of law. The early years of the republic were marked by challenges, including the War of 1812 and the struggle to define the role of the federal government. The mid-19th century saw the westward expansion of the United States, which brought new opportunities and challenges. The discovery of gold in California and the opening of the transcontinental railroads fueled a period of rapid growth and development. However, this expansion also led to the displacement of Native American populations and the intensification of the debate over slavery. The Civil War (1861-1865) was a defining moment in the nation's history, as it resolved the issue of slavery and preserved the Union. The Reconstruction era (1865-1877) followed, as the nation sought to rebuild and integrate the newly freed African American population. The late 19th and early 20th centuries were characterized by industrialization, urbanization, and the rise of a powerful federal government. The Progressive Era (1890s-1920s) saw significant reforms in areas such as labor, education, and social welfare. The United States emerged as a global superpower after World War II, leading to a period of international influence and leadership. The latter half of the 20th century was marked by the Vietnam War, the civil rights movement, and the space race. The end of the century saw the fall of the Soviet Union and the emergence of a new world order. The 21st century has been a period of rapid technological advancement, globalization, and significant challenges, including the 2008 financial crisis and the COVID-19 pandemic. The history of the United States is a testament to the resilience and adaptability of a young nation, and it continues to shape the world we live in today.



THE HISTORY OF THE CITY OF BOSTON



THE HISTORY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

The history of the United States of America is a story of a young nation that grew from a small group of colonies on the eastern coast of North America to a powerful superpower that spans across the globe. The story begins with the arrival of the first European settlers in 1492, who established a series of colonies along the Atlantic coast. These colonies were founded by people seeking religious freedom, economic opportunity, and a better life. Over time, the colonies grew and developed, and they began to assert their independence from British rule. The American Revolution broke out in 1775, and the colonies fought a war that lasted until 1781. The result was the birth of a new nation, the United States of America. The new nation was founded on the principles of liberty, justice, and equality, and it has since become a model for other nations. The United States has played a leading role in the world, and it has helped to shape the course of human history. Today, the United States is a powerful and influential nation, and it continues to play a leading role in the world.

THE HISTORY OF THE UNITED STATES

The first part of the book is devoted to the early history of the United States, from the discovery of the continent by Christopher Columbus in 1492 to the establishment of the first permanent settlements.

The second part of the book deals with the period of the American Revolution, from the outbreak of hostilities in 1775 to the signing of the Declaration of Independence in 1776.

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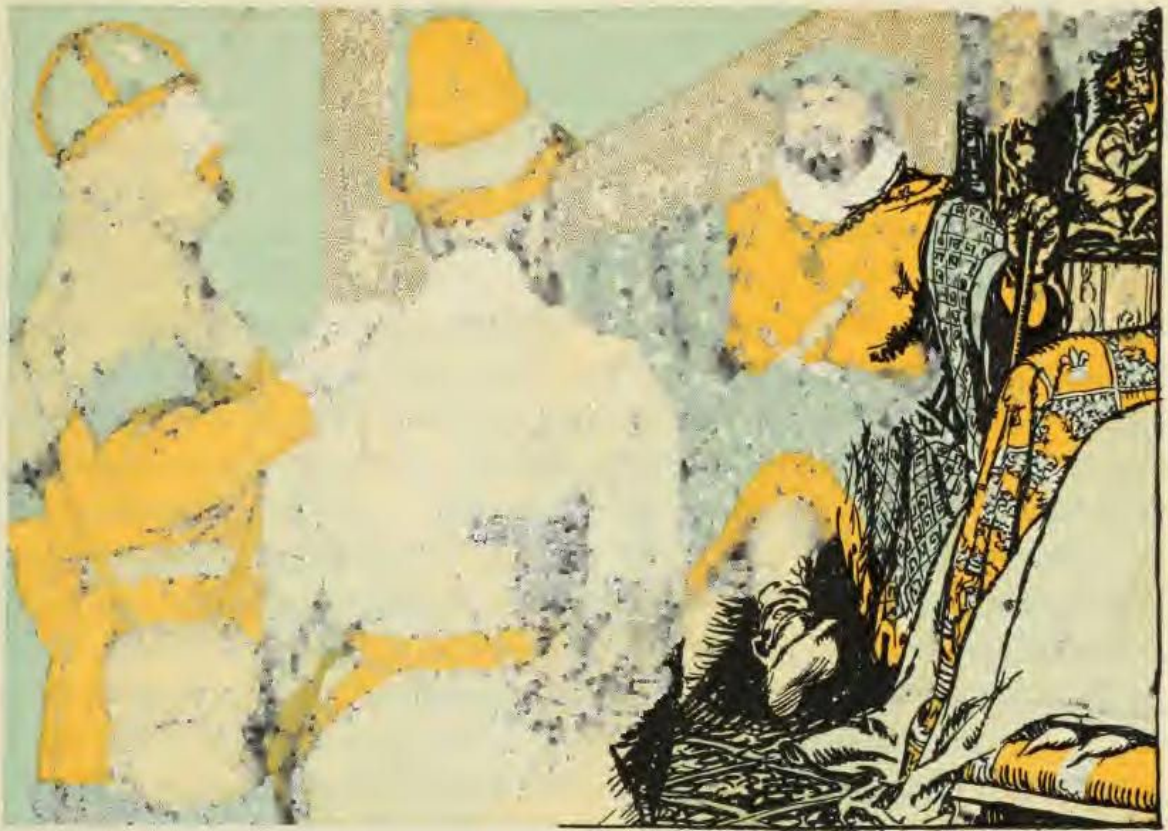
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The fifth part of the book covers the period of the mid-19th century, from the beginning of the Mexican War in 1846 to the end of the Civil War in 1865.

The sixth part of the book deals with the period of Reconstruction, from the end of the Civil War in 1865 to the end of Reconstruction in 1877.

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The first part of the book is devoted to a general history of the United States from its discovery by Columbus in 1492 to the present time. It covers the early years of settlement, the struggle for independence, the formation of the Constitution, and the growth of the nation to its present boundaries. The second part of the book is devoted to a detailed history of the United States from 1789 to the present time. It covers the early years of the Republic, the struggle for independence, the formation of the Constitution, and the growth of the nation to its present boundaries.

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The history of the United States of America is a story of growth, struggle, and achievement. From the first European settlements to the present day, the nation has evolved through a series of challenges and triumphs. The early years were marked by the search for a stable government and the expansion of territory. The American Revolution was a pivotal moment, leading to the birth of a new nation. The 19th century was a period of rapid growth and westward expansion, but it was also a time of social and political conflict. The Civil War was a defining event, leading to the abolition of slavery and the strengthening of the federal government. The 20th century has been a time of global leadership, technological innovation, and social progress. The United States has played a central role in shaping the modern world, and its values of freedom, democracy, and equality continue to inspire people around the globe.

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THE HISTORY OF THE WORLD

The history of the world is a vast and complex subject, encompassing the lives and actions of countless individuals and nations across time and space. It is a story of human progress, struggle, and triumph, shaped by the forces of nature and the choices of our ancestors. From the dawn of civilization to the present day, the world has witnessed remarkable changes and challenges, each leaving its mark on the human experience.

In the beginning, the world was a place of mystery and wonder, where the boundaries between the natural and the supernatural were blurred. As humanity grew, so did its curiosity and its desire to understand the world around it. The quest for knowledge led to the development of science, philosophy, and art, each contributing to the richness of human culture.

Throughout history, the world has been shaped by the actions of great leaders and the struggles of ordinary people. The rise and fall of empires, the discovery of new lands, and the pursuit of freedom and justice have all played a role in the unfolding story of our world. Each generation has its own challenges to face, and each has its own contributions to make to the world.

As we look back on the history of the world, we are struck by the resilience of the human spirit and the capacity for growth and change. The world is a place of endless possibilities, and it is up to us to shape its future. We must learn from the past, embrace the present, and strive for a better tomorrow for all.



The history of the United States of America is a story of growth and change. It begins with the first settlers who came to the eastern coast of North America in the early 17th century. These settlers established small communities and gradually expanded westward. The American Revolution, which began in 1775, led to the creation of a new nation. The United States Constitution, adopted in 1787, established a system of government that has lasted to this day. Over the years, the United States has grown from a small colony to a world superpower. It has played a major role in shaping the modern world. The American dream, the idea that anyone can achieve success through hard work and determination, is a central part of the American identity. The United States has also been a leader in the development of new technologies and ideas. Today, the United States continues to be a global leader in many fields, including science, technology, and culture.

THE HISTORY OF THE UNITED STATES

The history of the United States is a story of growth and change. From the first European settlers to the present day, the nation has expanded its territory and diversified its population. The early years were marked by the struggle for independence and the establishment of a new government. The middle years saw the westward expansion and the Civil War, which tested the nation's unity. The late years have been characterized by rapid technological advancement and the rise of a global superpower.

The United States has a rich and diverse cultural heritage. It is a land of immigrants, where people from many different backgrounds have come to seek a better life. This diversity has shaped the nation's identity and contributed to its strength. The American dream, the belief that anyone can achieve success through hard work and determination, is a central theme in the nation's history.

The United States has played a leading role in the world since the end of World War II. It has been a champion of democracy and human rights, and has worked to promote peace and stability around the globe. The nation's economic power and technological leadership have made it a dominant force in the world.

As the United States enters the 21st century, it faces new challenges and opportunities. The world is becoming more interconnected, and the United States must continue to adapt and lead. The nation's history provides a valuable guide to the future, reminding us of the values and principles that have made it a great country.



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THE HISTORY OF THE UNITED STATES

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The first part of the book deals with the early years of the Republic, from the signing of the Constitution in 1787 to the end of the War of 1812. It covers the presidencies of George Washington, John Adams, and James Madison, and the development of the federal government and the states.

The second part of the book covers the period from 1812 to 1860, including the presidencies of James Monroe, John Quincy Adams, Andrew Jackson, and Andrew Jackson. It discusses the expansion of the United States, the War of 1812, and the growing tensions between the North and the South.

THE HISTORY OF THE UNITED STATES

The history of the United States is a story of growth and change. From the first European settlers to the present day, the nation has evolved through various stages of development. The early years were marked by exploration and the establishment of colonies. The American Revolution led to the birth of a new nation, and the subsequent years saw the expansion of territory and the growth of industry.

The American Civil War was a pivotal moment in the nation's history, as it resolved the issue of slavery and preserved the Union. The Reconstruction era followed, a period of significant social and political change. The late 19th and early 20th centuries saw the rise of industrialization and the emergence of a new middle class.

The 20th century was a time of great progress and challenge. The United States emerged as a world superpower, leading the world in the development of nuclear energy and space exploration. The civil rights movement of the 1950s and 1960s was a landmark in the struggle for equality. The Vietnam War and the Watergate scandal were major events that shaped the nation's identity.

The 21st century has brought new challenges and opportunities. The September 11 attacks and the War on Terror have defined the early part of the century. The 2008 financial crisis and the 2010s have seen significant economic and social changes. The current administration has focused on issues such as trade, healthcare, and the environment.

The future of the United States is uncertain, but the nation's history suggests that it will continue to evolve and grow. The challenges ahead are great, but the American spirit of innovation and resilience offers hope for a bright future.

THE HISTORY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

The history of the United States of America is a story of growth and change. It begins with the first settlers who came to the continent in search of a new life. They found a land of vast potential, but also one of many challenges. The early years were marked by struggle and hardship, as the settlers fought to establish a new society in a remote and often hostile environment. Over time, the colonies grew and developed, and the spirit of independence took hold. The American Revolution was a pivotal moment in the nation's history, as the colonies declared their independence from Great Britain and fought a war to secure their freedom. The new nation was born, and the path was set for a future of progress and innovation. The years following the Revolution were a time of rapid growth and expansion. The United States emerged as a major power on the world stage, and its influence spread across the continents. The nation's economy flourished, and its culture became a blend of European traditions and American values. The American dream of a better life for all became a reality for many, and the United States continued to grow and prosper. Today, the United States stands as a beacon of hope and freedom, a nation that has overcome many challenges and continues to strive for a better future for all its people.

THE HISTORY OF THE UNITED STATES

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AMERICAN PEOPLE

FROM THE

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TO THE

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BY

W. H. RAY

The history of the United States of America is a story of growth and change. It begins with the first settlers who came to the continent in search of a better life. They found a land of opportunity, but also a land of conflict. The struggle for independence from Britain was a defining moment in the nation's history. The American Revolution was a war for freedom and self-determination. It was a war that shaped the character of the young nation. The Constitution was written to provide a framework for the new government. It was a document that reflected the ideals of liberty and justice for all. The United States has since grown into a powerful nation, with a rich and diverse culture. It has made significant contributions to the world in many fields, including science, art, and literature. The history of the United States is a story of hope and achievement. It is a story that continues to inspire and guide us today.

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THE HISTORY OF THE UNITED STATES

CHAPTER I
The first part of the history of the United States is the history of the colonies. The colonies were first settled by Englishmen in 1607. They were at first dependent on England for their supplies and protection. But as they grew in number and power, they began to assert their independence. They demanded the right to elect their own representatives to a local assembly, and to have their property protected by laws made by their own representatives. They also demanded the right to trade with whom they pleased, and to send their own ships to foreign ports. These demands were at first resisted by the British government, but they were finally granted in 1775. The colonies then declared their independence from Great Britain, and on September 3, 1783, the British evacuated New York City and fled to the sea. The United States were then free to govern themselves as they saw fit.

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The history of the United States of America is a story of growth and change. It begins with the first settlers who came to the continent in search of a new life. They found a land of vast potential, but also one of many challenges. The early years were marked by struggle and hardship, as the settlers fought to establish a new society in a remote and often hostile environment. Over time, the United States grew from a small collection of colonies into a powerful nation. It was a process of constant evolution, shaped by the actions of countless individuals and the forces of nature. The American dream, the belief that anyone can achieve success through hard work and determination, has become a defining characteristic of the nation. Today, the United States stands as a global superpower, a leader in science, technology, and culture. Its history is a testament to the power of human ingenuity and the resilience of the American spirit.

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