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tive customs prevailed it might well seem late to her when she left the balcony and retired to her room, which was somewhat separated from those of the other members of the family, though within immediate call. Soothed by the cool air of the night, the peace that brooded over village and plain, the solemn presence of the everlasting hills, — those voiceless influences of Nature which she had in-breathed, rather than observed, — her health and vigor triumphed over care, and she slept.