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In a world of such infinite variety in taste, opinion, and powers of observation, this must of necessity occur.

In one sense each man *does* "live to himself." He can only record the observations and impressions of his individual experience.

To do more than this is untrue, and gives to his book the value of a secondhand guide-book. To do less than this is literary cowardice.

"Speak boldly and honestly, or do not speak at all."

This has been my maxim in these sketches, and I can honestly and gratefully add that I have never spent a happier nor more profitable year than the one devoted by this female Columbus to the study of a new world.

THE END.