

in the New World. On examining the packets we found letters addressed in Canada to all classes of the population, including the Governor-general, some of the bishops and clergy, officers, military and civil, merchants, settlers, and farmers; and in the United States, to several who are as highly appreciated in England as they are in their own land; to the historian Prescott, to the poet Longfellow, to Wills, Mrs. Sigourney, Professor Agassiz, Dr. Howe, the Hon. Abbott Lawrence, and to many other literary and influential persons engaged in mercantile pursuits, or moving in the world of fashion among the "Upper Ten Thousand" whom it would be most agreeable for us to know, and who were likely to give us a favourable impression of American society. Thus prepared, we started on our journey.