

over its entire track) which sustains the load of a variegated beauty—tokens distributives of a chequered grandeur. At one point in its sublime march, lessening; at another, broadening sensibly, its flexuous channel, it pours itself between graceful-sloping, between gloriously-wooded banks; or, in wilful transit, invades, whilst it refreshes, odorous mead; with unresented, and with sober touch, cleaves opulent and quiet-nestling farms, or—gratuity this to which, while other spots are not ignored, a rustic corner of the Town of Paris is most visibly indebted for its loveliness—in swelling volume, devotes its glistening waters to the carving out some matchless park. A sheet, verily, is here, that (disregarding treasured safeguard in legal practice) prefers redundant, while it adds captivating, pleas for being so called!

The river, which, in the early stages of its course, had denoted an unequal current, instanced fickle moods; varying, with irritating unexpectedness, a soft placidity with movement hurried and impetuous—creeping athwart limpid pools, or dashing over stubborn rocks; substituting a staid quiescence for freaks of distempered gaiety—loitering now in sulken depths, racing soon in laughing shallows—proceeds, erewhile, in lengthy stretches, by more gradual, measured advance. Content, upon near-