

of its vastness. The dull day robbed the scene of all its lighter graces—the ever-varying Iris, the gleam and glitter of the surface. The river, after dashing itself to pieces on the rocks and among the deep chasms and mysteries of the well of waters, gathers itself together again in a wild, terrific gorge, far bigger than the Tobique, narrow, deep, black, and too strong for the frost. Two more falls of fourteen and fifteen feet occur ere it spreads out in a magnificent, lake-like pool, where calm and placid it rests itself awhile ere it travels on to the Rapids below, and then on its hasty journey to the ocean.

I was so fortunate as to arrive here in time for a ball which was given at the hotel where I stayed, and to which I was honoured with an invitation. Merriment abounded; the company came there to dance, and dance they did, with feet and hands, and shoulders and arms, even to the tips of their fingers—danced, in fact, all over. Nor did they desist till the broad daylight of a tardy midwinter's sun convinced them that they had not wasted a moment of an opportunity for enjoyment so rarely afforded them.

Wednesday evening I went with Mr. G—— to spend an evening at Mr. M——'s, staggering and blundering