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The bird-bath in the garden.

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"When Paradise was lost I thought everything was ended.

But it was only begun."

—SOLOMON SINGLEWITE: The Life of Adam.

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TO

MY DAUGHTER AND CHUM
PAULA VAN DYKE CHAPIN
OTHERWISE CALLED
LITTLE FUJI-SAN

PREFACE

Some of the chapters in this book were written as a series of monthly papers in Scribner's Magazine in the years 1920-21. I have ventured to add a few things,—interludes, you may call them,—which may be taken as talks by the camp-fire. At the end I have included four little chapters of remembrance,—memoriæ posita,—tributes to four beloved fellow-travellers.

HENRY VAN DYKE.

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