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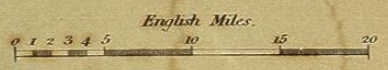
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San Augustin	7615
Cruz del Marques	9823
Tula	6733
Cuernavaca	5428
Quauila Amilpas	4600
Rio Frio	10122
Choluta	7014
La Puebla	7200
El Pinal	8364
Ojo de Agua	7768
Perote	7692
Las Vigas	7820
Jalapa	4385
Puente del Rey	224
Popocatepetl	17284
Etacahuast	15704
Orizava	17375
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Map of the
VALLEY OF MEXICO.
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Rambler in Mexico.



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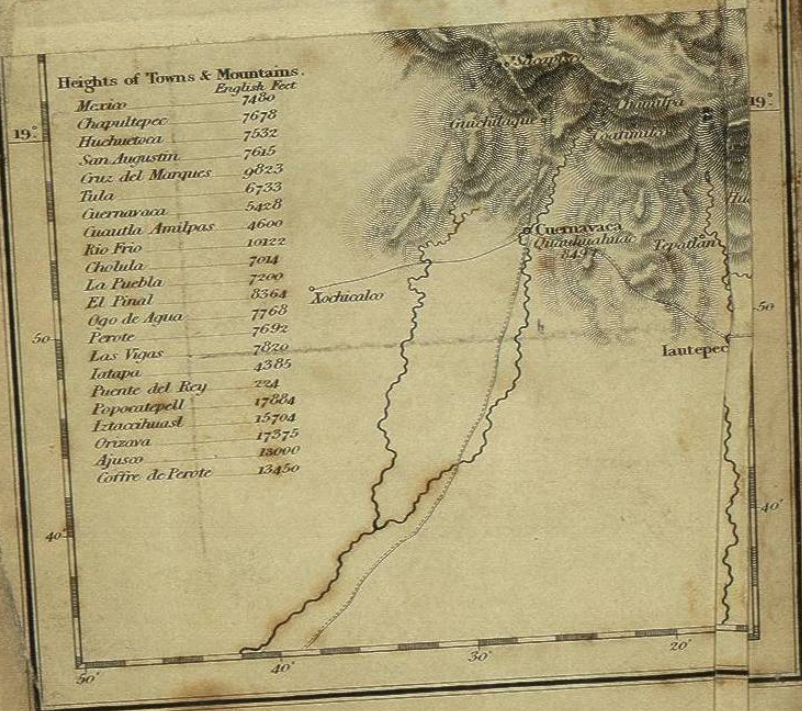
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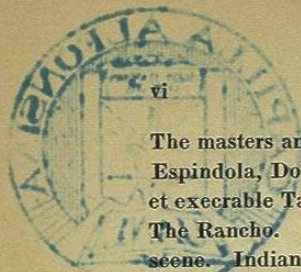


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LETTER I.

To F. B. L.

I RESUME my correspondence with you, and herewith send you a few sheets containing a chronicle of my vernal rambles in New Spain.

The present recital introduces you to the same principal dramatis personæ, and opens, where my last closed,—on board the goelette Halcyon, in the Gulf of Mexico; somewhere about latitude 28° north, longitude 92° west, or within a hundred miles, more or less, of the tropic of Cancer. It was the fifteenth of January, 1834; wind from the eastward, light but steady; sky serene, and every prospect of a fair and fortunate voyage. The distance from the Balize lighthouse at the entrance of the Mississippi, to the Bar of Tampico, towards which the head of our little vessel was directed, is about six hundred miles.

From this date, up to the fourth day at noon,—so favourable were the auspices under which our voyage was continued, always excepting the confined position, sea-sickness, and the bad company on board,—we never