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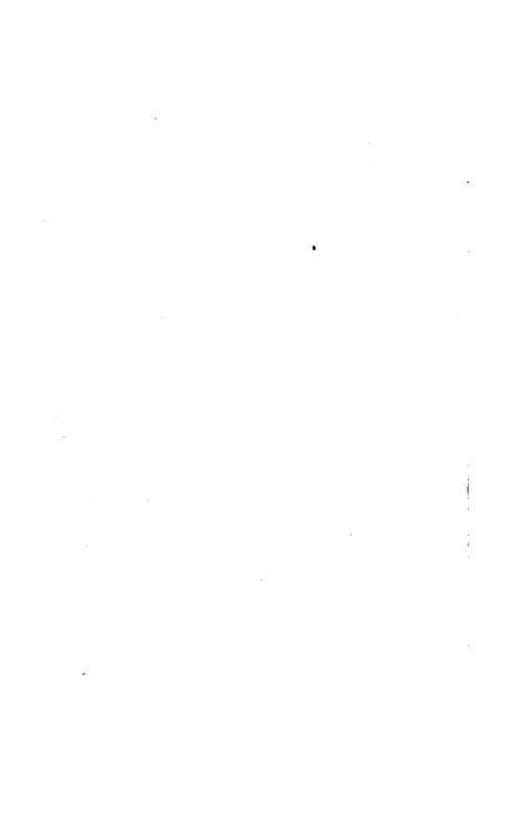


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CHAPTER I.

THE train, which for some hours had been running very fast and too noisily to admit of much conversation, suddenly slackened its speed, and Lulu turned upon her father a bright, eager look, as though some request were trembling on her tongue.

- "Well, daughter, what is it?" he asked, with an indulgent smile, before she had time to utter a word.
- "Oh, Papa!" she began in a quick, excited way, and quite as if she expected her request would be granted, "I know we're going through New York State, and I've just been thinking how much I would like to see Saratoga, especially the battle-field where the Americans gained that splendid victory over the British in the Revolutionary War."
 - "Ah! and would Max like it, too?" the Captain asked, with a smiling glance at his son, who,