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PREFACE.

THE favourable reception which has been awarded to my GUIDE TO MENTONE both by the Press and the Public has induced me to publish this little volume. The want of a small reliable English Guide to Nice has long been felt, and this want I have endeavoured to supply; it has been my aim to provide the visitor with a handy-book of reference (capable of being carried in the side pocket), which will enable him to visit the principal places of interest in the town, and facilitate his excursions in the neighbourhood. All the information likely to be of service to those who purpose spending the winter at Nice (as well as to those of my countrymen whose stay is more limited), I have endeavoured to present in as concise a form as possible; a lengthy notice of the different places of interest to be visited would swell the Guide to proportions altogether out of keeping with its character.

I have been enabled from personal experience to collect a considerable amount of information, which it is hoped will prove of service to the tourist, and soften some of the difficulties which are inevitably experienced by those who, from choice or necessity, are compelled for a time to take up their residence in a foreign land.

The latter portion of the Guide contains an account of some of the most interesting excursions in the neighbourhood, and the routes are described with a considerable amount of detail, in order that the pedestrian may be altogether independent of any chance assistance he may—or may not—meet with on his road. Sign-posts, as a rule, are conspicuous by their absence, and the peasants have very vague ideas respecting time and distance.

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NICE AND ITS ENVIRONS.

CHAPTER I.

GOING SOUTH—HINTS TO INVALIDS—CHOICE OF RESIDENCE — THE JOURNEY — STOPPAGES— ARRIVAL

GOING South! How much is expressed or implied in these two words. Visions are at once conjured up of blue skies, brilliant sunshine, cloudless days, and moonlight nights which we are about to enjoy in place of the dull, cheerless, foggy weather which will have to be borne with more or less fortitude by those whose occupation forbids the possibility of spending a winter abroad.

But, with the present facilities for travelling, places which only a few years ago would have been considered beyond the reach of the ordinary tourist may now easily be visited, and the traveller who has only a very limited time at his disposal is enabled to pass a brief.