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ROUGHING IT IN THE BUSH.

CHAPTER I.

A JOURNEY TO THE WOODS.

The well for us poor denizens of earth That God conceals the future from our gaze; Or Hope, the bleazed watcher on full's tower, Would fold her wings, and on the dreatry waste Clean the bright eye that through the murky clouds Of blank Despair will sees the glorious sun.

IT was a bright, frosty morning when I bade adieu to the farm, the birthplace of my little Agnes, who, nestled beneath my cloak, was sweetly sleeping on my knee, unconscious of the long journey before us into the wilderness. The sun had not as yet risen. Anxious to get to our place of destination before dark, we started as early as we could. Our own fine team had been sold the day before for forty pounds; and one of our neighbours, a Mr. D.—, was to convey us and our household goods to Douro for the sum of twenty dollars. During the week he had made several journeys, with furniture and stores; and all that now remained was to be conveyed to the woods in two large lumber-sleighs, one driven by himself, the other by a younger brother.