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1st World Library - Literary Society. Hardcover. Book Condition: New. Hardcover. 132 pages. Dimensions: 8.5in. x 5.5in. x 0.4in. Sixty or seventy years ago it was considered a great joke to chalk up on any mans house-door, or on his trunk at a coaching-station, the conspicuous letters G. T. T. The laugh went round, and every one who saw the inscription chuckled and said: Theyve got it on you, old hoss! The three letters meant gone to Texas; and for any man to go to Texas in those days meant his moral, mental, and financial dilapidation. Either he had plunged into bankruptcy and wished to begin life over again in a new world, or the sheriff had a warrant for his arrest. The very task of reaching Texas was a fearful one. Rivers that overran their banks, fever-stricken lowlands where gaunt faces peered out from moldering cabins, bottomless swamps where the mud oozed greasily and where the alligator could be seen slowly moving his repulsive form - all this stretched on for hundreds of miles to horrify and sicken the emigrants who came toiling on foot or struggling upon emaciated horses. Other daring pioneers came by boat, running all manner of...



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