

be) but approximate Sextuses, who should have all that you already know of the true Sextus, though not all which is already in him that you do not perceive, nor of course all that shall afterwards happen to him. You will find in one world a very happy and exalted Sextus, in another a Sextus contented with a moderate fortune—Sextuses in short, of every species, and in an infinity of fashions.

“ Upon this the goddess conducted Theodore into one of the apartments. When there it was no longer an apartment but a world—‘*Solemque suum, sua sidera norat.*’ By the order of Pallas Dodona, the place of the oracle was made to appear with the temple of Jupiter, and Sextus coming forth of it professing that he would obey the god. He went thence to a city like Corinth placed between two seas. He there bought a garden; in cultivating it he found a treasure, became rich, was loved and respected, and at length died at a great age the idol of the whole city. Theodore saw his whole life, as if with the glance of an eye, and in theatrical representation. There was a volume of writings in this apartment. Theodore could not refrain from asking the contents of it. It is the history, replied the goddess, of the world that we are now visiting. It is the book of its destinies. You have seen a number on the forehead of Sextus. Search in that book for the place which is marked by it. Theodore searched, and found the history of Sextus in greater fulness than he had seen it in the panorama. Put your finger on whatever line you please said Pallas; and you shall