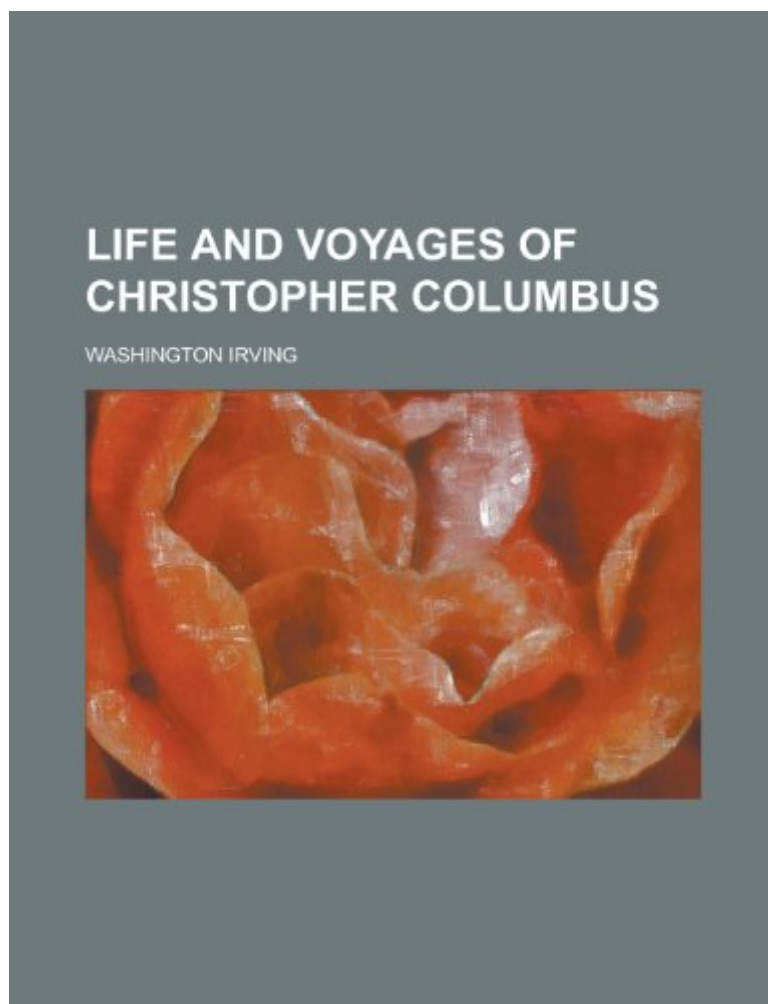


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stones, at that to retrieve his affairs from the confusion, into which they had been thrown. During this Qoomy period, he called to mind his vow, to furnish within seven years from the time of his discovery of the new world, an army of fifty thousand foot and five thousand horse, for the recovery of the Holy Sepulchre. The time had elapsed, the vow remained unfulfilled, and the expected treasures that were to pay the army, had never been realised. Destitute therefore, of the means of accomplishing his pious purpose, he considered it his duty to incite the sovereigns to the enterprise. He prepared a long letter to the sovereigns, written with his usual fervour of spirit and simplicity of heart, urging them to set on foot a crusade, for the conquest of Jerusalem. Whether COLUMbus ever presented this writing (still existing in the COLUMBIAN library of the cathedral of Seville) is uncertain; it is probable that he did not, as his thoughts suddenly returned with renewed ardour...

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