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TO
MY MOTHER
—*the first native*
New Yorker that I met!

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TIMES BUILDING

Broadway and 42nd Street . . . because it is one of the best-known buildings in the world . . . because it has probably appeared in more motion pictures than any other 50 buildings in New York combined . . . because it marks the beginning of the Great White Way . . . because, in a running electric sign, nightly, the New York Times gives away its last-minute news . . . and finally, because everybody in the civilized world has at one time or another heard of it, seen pictures of it, or both.

WHITEHALL BUILDING

17 Battery Place . . . because it has 13 acres of floor space, more than half of which enjoys a view out to sea . . . because it is 32 stories high . . . and finally, because it houses the local headquarters of the Weather Bureau, which learns, from instruments scattered about its roof, what's what in New York weather to-be.

WOOLWORTH BUILDING

233 Broadway . . . because it continues to be the best-known skyscraper in all New York . . . because it is 60 stories high . . . because, in sinking its foundation, it was necessary to sink piles through 115 feet of quicksand to bedrock . . . because it is estimated that it weighs 125,000 tons . . . because it has 6,500 windows . . . and finally, because more than 50,000 people pass through it each day.

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