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Confrontation Press, United States, 2005. Paperback. Condition: New. Language: English . Brand New Book ****** Print on Demand ******. First hand accounts of history are windows into the past. Imagine what it must have been like to live and travel in the northeastern corridor of the United States during the nation s formative years in the 1840 s. Here are selections from two works written only four years apart during that decade, Dickens American Notes (1842) and D. Appleton Co. s The American Guide Book (1846). The juxtaposition of the Guide s observations to those of Dickens is a case of the whole being greater than the sum of its parts. The self-professed objective of the Guide s editors: comprehensiveness with brevity being essential qualities for a work of this kind, all extraneous matter has been omitted, and it is hoped the work will be found to consist of all that is likely to be useful or interesting to travelers. Dickens is one of those travelers, but his coverage of the same areas is more idiosyncratic, and frequently observed with a comic eye unique to Dickens. What emerges between the two is a fascinating portrait of a nation, which although still...



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