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ber of gentlemen, who seemed much pleased to see us. We were furnished with good rooms, good provisions, and every thing necessary for our comfort.

The chiefs of this big village, being desirous that all their people should have an opportunity to see us, fitted up their great council-house for this purpose, where we saw an immense number of people; all of whom treated us with friendship, and many with great generosity.

The chiefs were particular in showing us every thing that they thought would be pleasing or gratifying to us. We went with them to Castle-Garden to see the fireworks, which was quite an agreeable entertainment —but to the *whites* who witnessed it, less *magnificent* than the sight of one of our large *prairies* would be when on fire.

We visited all the public buildings and places of amusement, which to us were truly astonishing, yet very gratifying.

Every body treated us with friendship, and many with great liberality. The squaws presented us many handsome little presents, that are said to be valuable. They were very kind, very good, and very pretty—for pale faces !

Among the men who treated us with marked friendship, by the presentation of many valuable presents, I cannot omit to mention the name of my old friend, CROOKS, of the American Fur Company. I have known him long, and have always found him to be a good chief—one who gives good advice, and treats