

the old palace of the Bohemian kings, with the citadel and a great unfinished cathedral, dedicated to St. Veit, or Vitus. An ascent to the Acropolis of Prague, as this hill may truly be called, and a walk along the ramparts which enclose the Kleinseite, disclose some glorious views. The city appears as in a rocky basin, through the midst of which the swift Moldau cuts its way; towers



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and spires arise in all directions above the high-pitched roofs, and the summits of green hills beyond the city walls here and there suggest the memory of great names and historic deeds. There is the height whence Tycho Brahe explored the secrets of the heavens; and there, to turn to a very different association, the hill where Ziska, the blind Hussite leader, bade defiance to the Emperor Sigismund.