



AS WE JOURNEYED FROM JERUSALEM TO DAMASCUS.

1891 on horseback, with Note Book and Camera, photographing and describing the scenes and historic places from Jerusalem to Damascus. What a wonderful trip this is to make! With horses, mules, muleteers, cook, waiter, drayman, tents; over roads so rocky and mountainous that twenty miles make a good day's journey. With broiled chicken, sardines, eggs, tongue, lemonade, dried grapes, figs, oranges, nuts and black coffee for lunch at twelve o'clock, and soup, mutton, artichokes, chicken salad and more oranges, dried grapes, nuts and black coffee for six o'clock dinner. With a tent to sleep under, carpeted and furnished and cut into rooms like a dwelling; with two soldiers to guard you, and the American flag to flap in the breezes above you while you sleep; with plains and valleys and hills lit up with flowers, as if they were so many little torches kindled by the sun to make the earth shine for you while you passed over it. Can you think of a happier thing to do than to make such a journey? Our delight, too, was increased by the charm of our work. We did not simply ride over the country, but we stopped every time we saw an attractive, beautiful scene or the location of an event recorded in the Bible, and snapped at it with our camera. So we brought home with us all the lovely landscapes and flowery mountains and moss-covered ruins of buildings noted in sacred history, and mentioned in this Bible for the young; and charming lakes and falling cascades, we passed; and now show them to you in the pictures of this book.