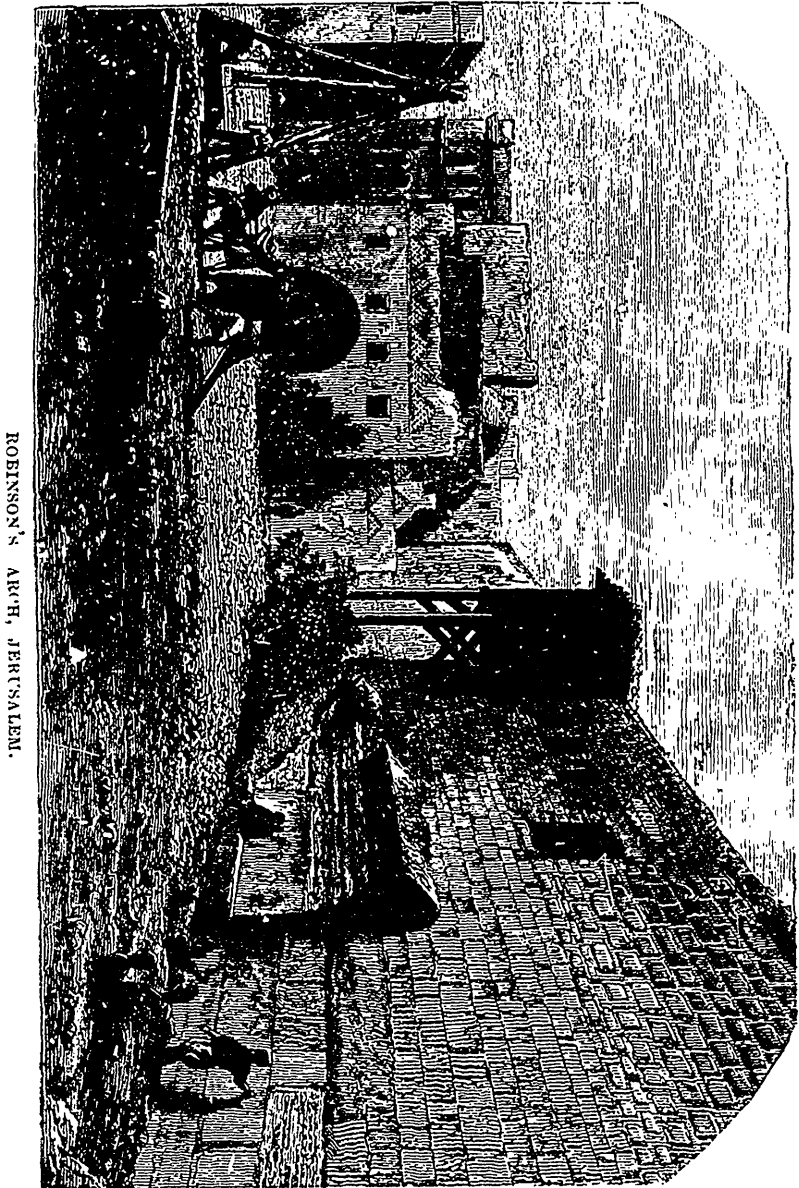


According to legend the rock was desirous of accompanying Mohammed to heaven ; but the angel Gabriel held it down. The



traces of his hand are still shown on the rock. Many other puerile stories are told. We were shown a stone of jasper into which Mohammed drove nineteen golden nails. One falls out at