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BETHLEHEM, FROM THE CHAPEL OF THE NATIVITY.

THE place where Christ was born is one of the best verified sites in Palestine. It has been a place of pilgrimage since the third century. Indeed, the tradition of the identification of the Grotto of the Nativity was accepted by Justin Martyr within a century after the death of our Lord. Few places have so many tender and thrilling associations. Memories of Ruth, and David, and "great David's greater Son" throng upon the mind as one approaches the stone buildings of Bethlehem, set amid orchards of gray-leaved olives.