

protects the entrance to the bridge over the moat, which is no longer filled with water. Passing along the outer ward, we notice the gloomy archway of the Traitors' Gate and the Bloody Tower, where the two children of Edward were smothered.

‘The most arch-deed of piteous massacre
That ever yet this land was guilty of.’

The White Tower is a grand specimen of Norman architecture. Here we enter the armouries, with their great stores of arms arranged in the form of lilies and passion flowers. We see the heavy suits-of-mail worn in the old days of battle. Gay tournaments were given here when this was the high place of kinghood, and the very suits of armour which we see once glittered and shone on the flower of English nobility and chivalry.

Where are they now? The Beauchamp Tower has held many a royal prisoner. What tears have been shed within those thick walls! What memorials are here of Dudley, and Raleigh, and the gentle Lady Jane Grey! We see the Latin inscription of Arundel over the fireplace, the interpretation of which is, ‘The more suffering with Christ in



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this world, the more glory with Christ in the next.* We peep into the little room where Sir Walter slept—where he whiled away his long imprisonment with writing his ‘History of the World.’

“The Jewel Room contains the crowns, sceptres, jewels, all the regalia of royalty. What a blaze of splendour! What wealth stored up in gold and jewels, in diadems and coronation plate! The crown of the Sovereign is a purple velvet cap, enclosed in hoops of silver, blazing with over 3,000 diamonds and the ‘inestimable sapphire.’ Its value is five millions of dollars. You also see in glass a model of the brilliant ‘Koh-i-noor.’ This gem is of great antiquity and of high historic interest, nay every one of the dazzling galaxy of diamond, ruby, emerald, and pearl has its own pedigree and legend. I understand that Her Majesty's crown has been constructed out of the fragments of half a dozen by-gone insignia of royalty and thus bears a resemblance to the British Constitution, which has been

* QUANTO PLUS AFFLICTIONE PRO CHRISTO IN HOC SERVITIO, TANTO PLUS GLORIA CUM CHRISTO IN FUTURO.