

he) led the young man to a couch, and bade him lie down upon it; then he breathed upon him, and so eased the pain of his limbs, that, in a very little while, this wanderer from the earth was again in perfect health.

14. Now that he was feeling well and strong once more, Kanak begun to look about him with interest.

"Yes," said the Man in the Moon, in answer to Kanak's look of enquiry, "this is indeed the Land of the Moon. It is very seldom that anyone comes from your world to this. Give me your hand, and I will take you where you can see the world from which you have come."

15. With these words, the Man in the Moon took Kanak by the hand, and, having led him to where there was a great hole in the floor, he bade him kneel down and look.

16. Full of wonder Kanak knelt down; and, looking through the hole, he saw, stretched far, far beneath him, the earth which he had left. "Have I come all that way?" he asked.

17. "Yes," replied the Man in the Moon. "Since you wished for it so much, it has been granted to you to pay us a visit. One of our snow-cloud carriers was sent to fetch you; but you cannot return that way. When you depart, it must be through this tunnel; but the time for your going is not yet, for there is much that you may see and learn before then, if you so wish."