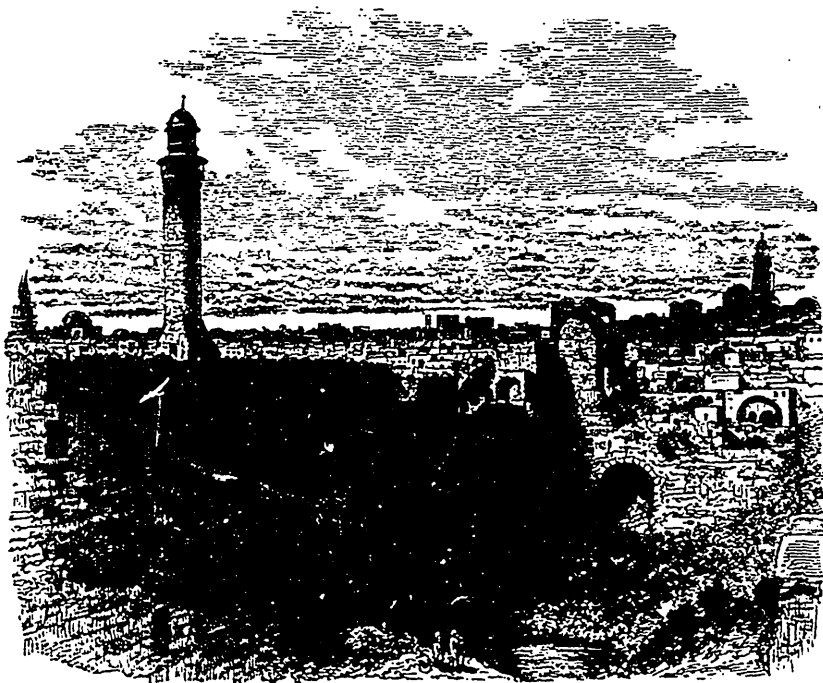


“ It may be that those holy feet have trodden the steps of that old passage ; and His lips may have drunk from the waters that ‘ made glad the city of God,’ and with reference to which He, on the first day of the feast, cried, saying, ‘ If any man thirst, let him come to Me and drink, and the water which I shall give him shall be in him,’ as the water is within the Temple, ‘ a living fountain springing up into everlasting life ! ’ ”

Of very special interest is the walk around the outside of the walls of this very ancient area, whose massy masonry enables us better to realize the character of the huge substructures of the



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Temple. At the north-west angle of the Harem, Captain Warren sunk a shaft at a distance of ninety-eight feet from the ground, and then a tunnel to the base of the wall, and the stones bore red marks and incised letters, probably of Phœnician or early Hebrew origin.

Near the south-west angle of the Harem is Robinson's Arch, shown on page 217. It was 50 feet in width, and contains stones 19 and 26 feet in length. This was the beginning of the viaduct which led from the Temple over the Tyropœon Valley, connecting the palace of Solomon with the opposite hill, one hundred yards distant. It was by this probably that the Queen of Sheba