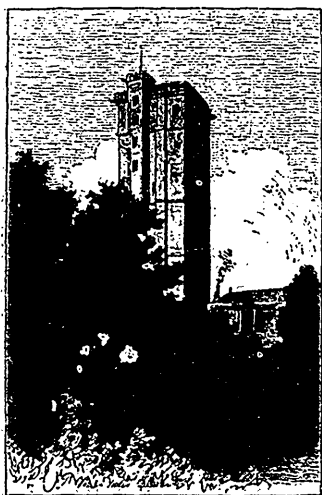


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TOWER OF THE DUCAL PALACE,
DIJON.

It is a ride of four hundred miles from Paris to Geneva. In order to break the journey a number of the party decided to stop overnight at the old Burgundian capital of Dijon. The others preferred to spend a day longer at the Paris Exposition.

The Paris, Lyons, and Mediterranean Railway is the principal French line, not only on account of its length, but more especially with regard to its very extensive passenger and goods traffic. It follows one of those great highways indicated by nature, well termed by a contemporary writer, "the historic roads" of France, upon which have taken place, in the course of

history, the grand movements of migration, of war, and of commerce, and along which are stationed the principal towns of the provinces. Long processions of tall Lombardy poplars march in close files, like plumed grenadiers, on either side of the road, and picturesque villages nestle amid their orchards and their vines. Many a city of old renown also lifts its embattled towers above the far-extending plain—Melun, Fontainebleau, Sens, Dijon, Chalons, and others of lesser note.

We are traversing, in fact, the old historic soil of France, the

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