

GATEWAY OF GOVERNOR'S PALACE, MANFALUT, EGYPT.

and best of the house, like the upper room in which our Lord partook that "last sad supper with His own," and in which the twelve disciples were assembled on the day of Pente-This is traditionally the large chamber still shown, known as the Conaculum, above the Tomb of David on Mount Zion. In a similar reception-room, reached by an outer stair, we were courteously entertained by a hospitable family in Nazareth. And from an upper chamber like this, only of unusual elevation-three stories-Eutychus reclining in a window during the preaching of Paul, fell to the ground and was taken up dead. Acts xx. 9. The three thousand converts under Peter's preaching on the day of Pentecost must have filled the central court and covered all the adjacent roofs, while Peter, probably from the housetop, preached Jesus and the Resurrection.

"Acts xii.," says Canon Tristram, "is full of minute touches and expressions which are full of significance, showing that the account must have been furnished by an eyewitness. Some time would clapse before the damsel Rhoda could recross the court, return to the upper chamber, and come back to Peter."