

A VISION.

BY J. A. ALBEE.

On one night I sat me dreaming, In the moonlight's weird gleaming,

When I saw a weird palmer, And old paladin in armor,

And the tokens on their helmets which for "Layde Loves" they bore.

Saw I castle high and hoary, On a lofty promontory,

Beating o'er the stormy waters of the wild and striding sea;

And in great pealing, Saw I beautiful maid entwining,

Leaves of ivy and outlooking on the wild magnificence.

Then I heard sweet notes ascending, Notes melodiously blending,

From a harper in the court beneath the castle old and grand;

Then I saw the lovely maiden From her reverie a waken,

And listen to the minstrel as he sang of the Holy Land.

When the troubadour completed Some love lay he'd oft repeated,

He was asked by her, the maiden in the high and lofty tower,

If he had the wild sea over Sailed with tidings from her lover,

Who was waiting with his brother knights Against the painian power.

"Lovely lady, bright the story Of thy warrior's deeds of glory,

Many Saracenic chieftain by his halberd found a grave;

But thy own true knight is sleeping Now where'er the night's creeping,

Where the palm tree and the cedar in their Orient beauty wave."

Then I saw the maiden leaving, By the oriel and weeping,

As her fading like summer flowers in autumn's sad decay;

And ere long I saw the clothing, Sabbe stolen her robing,

And they placed her in the vault beneath the abbey old and gray.

the newest stream, which issued from the foot of the new cone only three days ago, and was red hot only a few inches beneath the crust on which we stood.

Returning to the upper station we had a taste of old times in such respects, for the guides took a short cut instead of following the little path, in a run with us straight down into the ash, which mode of proceeding, though fatal to one's boots, is productive of a sense of being provided with a seven-league pair and also of much laughter.

The most curious effect is produced by seeing the ascending carriage pass us, as it were, up to heaven in spite of all the laws of gravity.

The foundation of a little hotel is already laid, so that by next winter one can spend a night comfortably on the mountain, and stay to see the sun rise.

THE MAUNA LOA ERUPTION.

The Hawaiian Gazette of the 4th of December, which arrived today, gives the following additional particulars of the Mauna Loa eruption.

Still, the ladies of the party are very glad to be relieved of part of their own weight, and to be pushed and pulled up even that brief space, taking advantage of the dozen guides who are waiting to be employed.

Two crater moans of considerable height break their front, lying apparently two or three miles apart, the second, northeast of the first.

At a recent meeting a speaker gave a report on taking farming pay, as follows: "I have but one business, and that is to get the spring and see to it myself."

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

PORTLAND, December 28, 1880. Legal tenders in Portland, buying, par, and selling at par.

The following quotations represent the wholesale rates from producers or first hands: FLOUR—Quotable in jobbing lots at Standard brands, \$5 00 best country brands, \$5 50.

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Many things that men look upon as small and trivial, God looks upon as important; and in their issues they often prove to be so.

AN EXCHANGE AGAIN ASKS THE QUESTION: Does farming pay? We suppose it pays on some farms, but we know farms where they have not made enough to pay their newspaper subscription in four years.

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