Leaves from a Shetch-Book.

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According to Mr. Robert Buchanan, whose new book with this alliterative title is dedicated by permissien to Princess Louise, the "Land of Lorne" includes the Hebrides. He regards what is commonly called Lorne—namely, the seaward portion of Argyleshire between Loch Awe and the west coast, as but "a little garden attached to the Castle of Inverary." Both the Inner and the Outer Hebrides, "from Mull to the Long Island"—that is, to Uist, including Skye but not Lewis—"are the surrounding domains." "The Lord of the Isles," says Mr. Buchanan, "and the Lord of Lorne were originally one, who held free sway over the whole tract of sea and land covered in Scott's 'Lord of the Isles' north to Skye, south to Loch Ranza," in Arran; "and the Campbell, in his turn, has held the soil of many of the isles. In a word," continues this author, "the future home of your Royal Highness is the Scottish Hebrides, every feature of which I am sure you will soon know by heart instead of confining your visit to Loch Fyne and a distant peep of the 'Shepherds of Loch Etive.' And the future people of your Royal Highness are the Hebrideans, not one of whom but will welcome you, whether it be his daily task to sow golden grain in the furrows of Kilbride," on the mainland by Loch Fyne, "or to herd cattle on the lonely heights of Mull, or to fish cod and ling on the stormy bank between Canna and Rum. Everywhere you will send a gleam of hope."

Now, in borrowing freely as we shall from Mr. Buchanan's descriptions of the "Land of Lorne," to accompany the selected Leaves of our Artist's Sketch-Book, we do not intend to go with him so far out to sea. Historically and geographically, it may perhaps be remarked, his definition of what comes under the title quoted is a little forced and stretched. In Sir



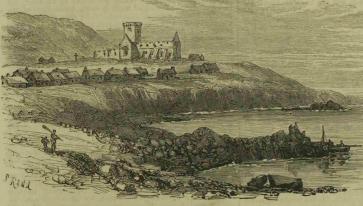
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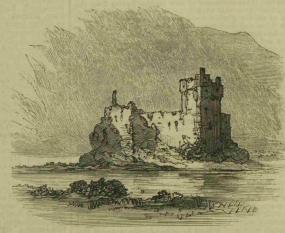
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