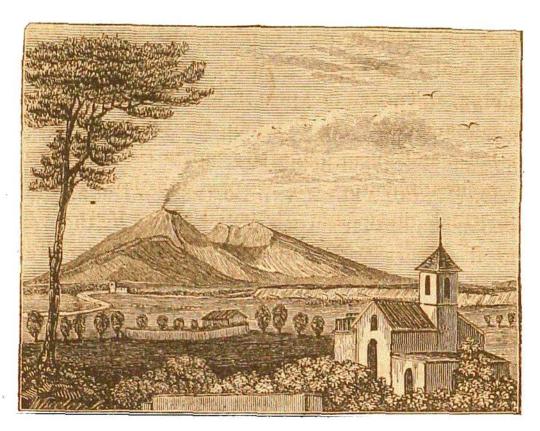
The cities of Herculaneum, Pompeii, and Stabiæ, were buried beneath an accumulation of ashes and



TAB. 145.—VIEW OF VESUVIUS, LOOKING OVER THE PLAIN AND CITY OF POMPEII.*

The site of Pompeii is marked by the long line of light in the middle distance, formed by the ashes thrown out of the excavations. The river Sarnus is seen on the left.

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scoriæ, to a depth of from sixty to one hundred and twenty feet. No traces have been perceived of lava currents or of melted matter; showers of sand, cinders, and scoriæ, with loose fragments of rocks, were the agents of desolation. The various utensils and works of art, as you may observe in the lamps, vases, beads, and instruments in the British

* From Sir W. Gell's Pompeiana.