

" where a screen of leaves keeps waters cool."

## Dunk Speaks.

Along the west thin shreds of purple lay,
The sultry air still throbbed, as pulses beat,
When fever is assuaged; far off the Bay
Of fair Bedeque spread like a silver sheet;
The stars were few—only a lamb's soft bleat
Broke on the soundless landscape: but there rose
From out the stream a cry with grief replete—
Such as you hear round graves about to close;
The Dunk had found a voice, and thus she told her woes:

Ah me! my thoughts long years float back:

I see the gladeless forest spread

Its twilight gloom; the lithe Micmac

Stalking his game with noiseless tread:

I see the Fox, the Elk, the Bear

Come forth to drink the eddying pool,

And lave their burning haunches, where

A screen of leaves keeps waters cool.