

jaws of death. At Landeck the train stops only a minute, during which time twenty hot lunches, which had been ordered by telegraph, are handed in through the windows, each in its large metal-covered receptacle. They nearly fill the car, and after disposing of their contents we are glad to get rid of them, and again devote our attention to the magnificent panorama that is unrolled before us.

We have been steadily ascending from Innsbruck, but now we begin to climb more rapidly to the summit of the Arlberg Pass, 4300 feet above the sea. We cross many lofty bridges, one 180 feet high, whence we get glorious bird's-eye views of the red-roofed villages beneath, with their queer bulbous spires, and quaint carved houses. At St. Anton we reach the summit of the Pass and soon plunge into the Arlberg tunnel, six and a half miles long, constructed at a cost of over \$6,000,000.



THE RHINE GATE TOWER,  
CONSTANCE.

We now glide swiftly down grade, through lovely mountain scenery, through quaint Bludenz to Feldkirch with its ancient castle, its covered arcades, and towering high over all the jagged crests of the Drie Schwestern, or Three Sisters. We soon strike the broad valley of the Rhine, and traversing a rich alluvial plain, reach the pleasant town of Bregenz on the Bodensee, or beautiful lake of Constance, about forty miles long and eight wide. "This vast sheet of

water," says the guide book—as if speaking of our own Lake Superior, in which the whole of Switzerland might be more than swallowed up—"presents a very striking view," etc. Though not so grand in its environment as lake Geneva, it has a tranquil beauty of its own. It is bordered by three distinct nations—Germany, Switzerland and Austria. The sail over its placid waters in the soft afternoon light is a pleasant change from the rugged sublimity of the mountains. There everything spoke of the tremendous energy of nature, here all is tranquillity and repose. The many-towered towns of Bregenz, Lindau, Rorschach, Romanshorn, Friedrichshafen, and Immenstaad, stud