

Accidents at the Falls.

Like "sound of many waters" seem,
And love and bliss are all the theme,
Praising the Wise and Good Supreme.

Pleasant Valley, 1849.

MARY.

Thus perished in the flower of their youth, two promising hopes of heart-wrung parents. Poor Mrs. DE FOREST did not long survive the dreadful fate of her "Nettie," and the anguishing scene of that awful evening has made an impression on the horrified young spectators which time can never erase.

MISS MARTHA K. RUGG.

This young lady had visited the Falls, when on her way to Detroit to visit a sister, in August, 1844.

On the memorable morning of the 24th, whilst approaching Table Rock, she stepped upon the bank, about fifty rods below the Museum, letting go the arm of the gentleman who accompanied her, in order to pluck some evergreens—when the earth, giving way with her weight, she was precipitated down a perpendicular height of one hundred and twenty feet, falling on a bed of sharp rocks ! The poor girl gave one piercing shriek ; her companion grasped her shawl, which gave way, and she descended ! Doctor G. A. Sturgis, of New