

his knowledge of it, including every rock, eddy, current and bar from headwaters to the Mississippi.

From just above the splendid iron bridge of the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railroad, that throws a span across the river 400 feet long, the Dell Queen points its bow up stream. On the right as the steamer's landing is left behind, the saw mill, perched upon a high bank, is passed, and then the river makes a wide bend to the northward, its right bank alternately hills and rolling mounds, covered with living green in every



LONE ROCK, DELLS OF THE WISCONSIN.

and shade. On the opposite side the bluffs rise abruptly from the water forming palisades the very miniature of those grand natural structures of the Hudson. These palisades slope gradually to the point where the singular formation known as the Pillared Rocks occurs. Above these natural colonnades, in the face of the walls, myriads of swallows have built their nests, and their busy flight in and out of their tiny domiciles lends to the scene a feature of microscopic life and strife that delicately tones down the otherwise ruggedness of Nature's visage. Past the Pillars the river bends inward to the Jaws of the Dells, a narrow passage guarded on either side by High Rock and Romance Cliff. A little further on Chimney Rock stands up, looking like the ghost of some deserted fireside. After Chimney