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TREES AND THEIR HABITS.

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"Thank God for noble trees!
How stately, strong, and grand
These bannered giants lift their crests
O'er all this beauteous land!"



THE WATER-LOVING ELM.



WHILE we should all cultivate a taste for good literature, art, and music, why should we not also learn to see what unsurpassed beauty in form and colour Nature has provided on all sides and on such a magnificent scale? This picture gallery is free

to all and always open. The best flocks of the painters of

cloud, landscape or mountain are but poor imitations. To walk through Nature's halls is to receive health, discover beauty and sublimity, and be filled with pure and noble thoughts.

Nothing gives of their best more freely than trees. They have character and individuality as endless and diversified as that even of the human race. There is a solemnity and repose about great trees, even when in the gale they swing their sinewy arms and bow their crested