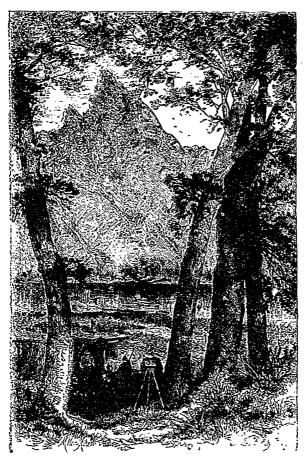
and depths, that one would exclaim, with a recent traveller in a desert waste: "What divine affluence, what magnificent abandonment is here! How rich must nature be to afford to throw away so much!" Perhaps no portion of the earth's surface is so irremediably sterile, none more helplessly lost to human occupa-



CAMP AT FLAMING GORGE.

tion. Although there is an awful sort of enchantment to this distant view, it is increased on coming nearer; then only will some of the mountains don their "purple hue." Around the margin of the plateau, at the immediate bases of the mountains, the traveller will behold many scenes of beauty and fertility,