



SUMMER REGATTA AT LAKE HOPATCONG.

row channel at their feet, his mind wanders back into the mighty, the unknown past, and wonders how those mountains, once united, were cut in twain by the river.

"A row through the Gap in a boat, toward evening, gave us a clearer impression of this great natural curiosity and drew to our lips the words of the Psalmist, 'O Lord how manifold are Thy works; in wisdom Thou hast made them all.'

"The country around the Gap is associated with names almost classic in modern Christian story. David Brainerd, with a burning heart, once traversed the hills and vales of the Minisink, seeking to win the wild Lenape Indians to Christ and civilization. The Moravians had their missionary establishment at Bethlehem, and their preachers traversed the Delaware, Lehigh and Susquehanna Valleys, preaching Jesus with some success to the red warriors. Then John Brodhead, a Methodist pioneer, greatly beloved, was a native of this region, who went forth with heroic faith and saintly

fervour when only eighteen years old to preach the unsearchable riches of Christ.

"Our allotted week having expired we returned home stronger in body and greatly refreshed in spirit by our communion with the solitudes and beauties of nature. Looking back on that pleasant week we often apply to it these lines of Wordsworth:

" . . . I have learned  
To look on nature, not as in the hour  
Of thoughtless youth; but hearing often-  
times  
The still, sad music of humanity.  
Therefore am I still  
A lover of the meadows and the woods  
And mountains; and of all that we behold  
From this green earth; of all the mighty  
world  
Of eye and ear, both what they half create,  
And what perceive; well pleased to recognize  
In nature and the language of the sense,  
The anchor of my purest thoughts, the nurse,  
The guide, the guardian of my heart, and  
soul  
Of all my moral being."

The word which best describes the Delaware Valley is *restful*. The woodland quiet, the sleep-giving,