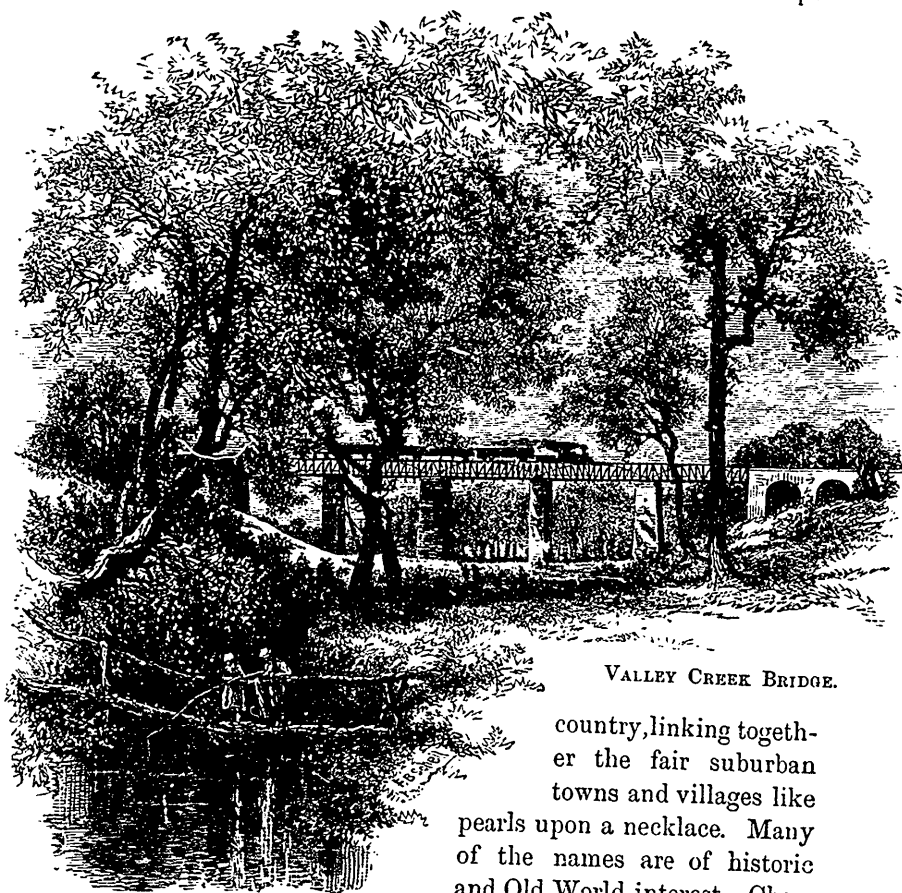


the boat-houses of the Aquatic Club, whose members disport themselves in their fragile "shells" upon the placid stream.

Swiftly leaving behind it this noble park, which is traversed by the Pennsylvania Railway, the train speeds across the open



VALLEY CREEK BRIDGE.

country, linking together the fair suburban towns and villages like pearls upon a necklace. Many of the names are of historic and Old World interest.

Chester County, for instance, obtained its name in this wise: When Penn landed, in 1682, on its fertile shore, he said to his friend and companion, Pearson, "Providence has brought us here in safety. Now, what wilt thou that I should call this place?" Pearson replied, "Chester, in remembrance of the city from which I came." So the memory of the quaint old cathedral city—