

happily woven together, while the scenery of this Trent Valley reproduces that of the Vale of Tawasentha. Here are "the wild rice of the river," and "the Indian Village," and "the groves of singing pine trees, ever sighing, ever singing." At Fenton Falls we have "Minnehaha,"—"Laughing Water,"

"Mouthwater"—River was next entered, and the journey continued to Lakefield, a station of the Midland division of the Grand Trunk system. The Otonabee here expands into Lake Katchewanook, the "Lake of the Rapids;" thence, between bold and rocky banks, it races, rather than flows to Peter-

boro; the channel descending 150 feet in nine miles. Clear Lake, where the overflow of the whole lake chain is gathered into a crystal funnel, is next entered, and junction made with Stony Lake, that owes its wild beauty to the Laurentian formation, which often abruptly closes the vista with beetling crags of red and gray gneiss, and of which the islands are formed, that year after year are whitened by the tents of the Canoe Association. And not the least charming feature of the varied landscape is the multiplicity of islands which here give new variety and something of wildness to the scene. Cairn Dhu, Grassy and Rocky Islands lie near together, each a little paradise between the waves and the sky. The old settlers or the searchers into the curiosities of Indian traditions could tell many a weird tale of the strange scenes that have been witnessed here, and the stirring events with which it is connected, in the legends of a race who once found pleasure and happiness here.



ISLAND ON STONY LAKE.

and not far below is Sturgeon Lake, the realm of the "Kingly Fishes." Sturgeon of portentous size are yet met with, though falling somewhat short of the comprehensive fish sung by Longfellow, which swallowed Hiawatha, canoe and all. Still *revenons à nos moutons*, and pursuing the course of our canoes, the Otonabee—

Rocky Island is one of the most beautiful of the group. A craggy hill rises from the shore, towering sixty feet above the placid waters below. At this point, known as the lover's leap, the legend tells, Aynlah, a daughter of Kareeka, a Seneca chief, was captured by the Wyandotts, and placed on Rocky Island, until the chief's son should