

OSAGE VALLEY BANNER.

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SEEN AND UNSEEN.

A DREAM OF REALITIES. I rose with sunrise, not so long ago. To greet the morning air and feast the sight. The purple east grew golden—all aglow With quivering, new-born light.

THE SEALER'S STORY.

It was the second winter we used the "shoot" off the Black Stoss down into the north branch of the St. Marguerite. This shoot, as they called it, was a lumber slide; a kind of inclined trough, leading from the table-land back of the "Stoss," down to the river; the side of the mountain here being quite too ledgy and precipitous to admit of using ordinary logging sleds and cattle upon it.

to tend the wire and to report if any trouble occurred. That winter we had hired for this purpose a lad whom they called Tort Guillot. What "Tort" was a nickname for I am sure I do not know. His father, Glam Guillot, a French Canadian, worked for us and kept Tort stimulated to his work by an occasional "birching."

nerveless and stunned, and went rolling and sliding down after it for fifty feet or more. But the thought that other logs were to follow stimulated me to check myself. Getting on the shore and climbing but-like again to the joists in the corner of the boxing, I waited the onset—for I could hear the creaking again. It soon came, with the same whirlwind rush, nearly tearing me from my perch. But I held fast; and in this not very easy position, I weathered the passage of three more logs. Then came a respite.

PERSONAL AND LITERARY. —The Arthur in Tom Hughes' Tom Brown was intended for Dean Stanley. —Mr. Oscar Wilde intends to come before the public next season as a Shakespearean actor, it is said.

A FAIRY AFLOAT. The following description of the fairy vessel represented on this page is from the Cincinnati Commercial: The hull is of the finest selected white oak, braced, bolted and riveted in the most skillful and workmanlike manner, and is 64 feet in length, 14 feet breadth of beam, 2 1/2 feet depth of hold, and draws twenty inches of water.