

## CHAPTER III.

### LIFE IN MIFFLIN COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA.

**W**HEN my brother William started to Mauch Chunk he left a cow with us belonging to his wife. Not long after he had settled in Mifflin County I accompanied my brother Willis to drive this cow to his place. We were then living near Milesburg. When we reached the top of the mountain on the Bellefonte and Lewistown turnpike I was thrilled with wonder at the sight of the beautiful valley that so suddenly opened up to view, stretching away with farms and groves as far almost as the eye could reach.

On the second day we arrived at my brother's and found him living in an old one-story stone house that had once been occupied by the operators of the oil-mill.

The business of what afterwards became the celebrated William Mann Axe Factory was then operated in the forging department by himself with a single assistant.