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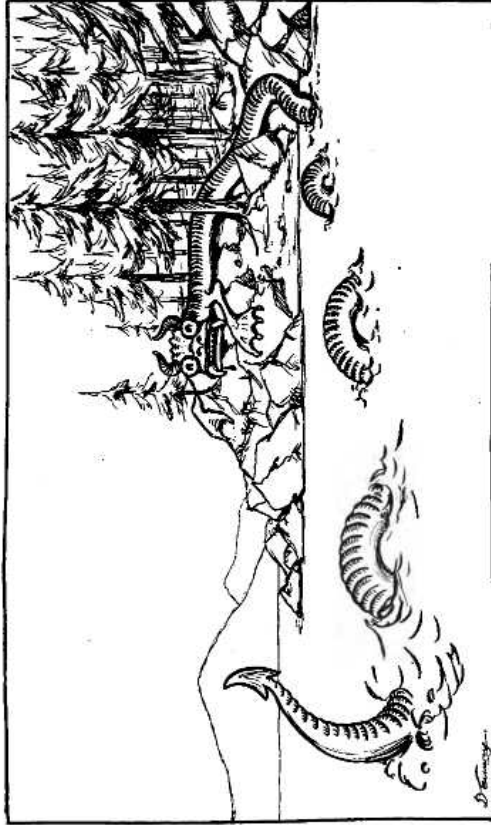
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THE SEA SERPENT OF LAKE MEMPHREMACOG AT COVE ISLAND. OWL'S HEAD AND MOUNT
ELEPHANTIS IN THE DISTANCE.

URIAH JEWETT
AND THE SEA SERPENT

OF

LAKE MEMPHEMAGOG

FROM NOTES LEFT BY THE LATE GEORGE C. MERRILL
WHO WAS PURSER ON THE MOUNTAIN MAID IN
URIAH'S TIME.

CITY OF NEWPORT, VERMONT
1917

DEDICATION.

This volume is most cordially dedicated to THE DUKE OF CON-NAUGHT who visited the Eastern Townships and the United States in 1869 and 1870; and caused His Poor Mother some unpleasant memories by the ardency of his youth, and who left the imprints of his visit on the shores of Lake Memphremagog.

PREFACE.

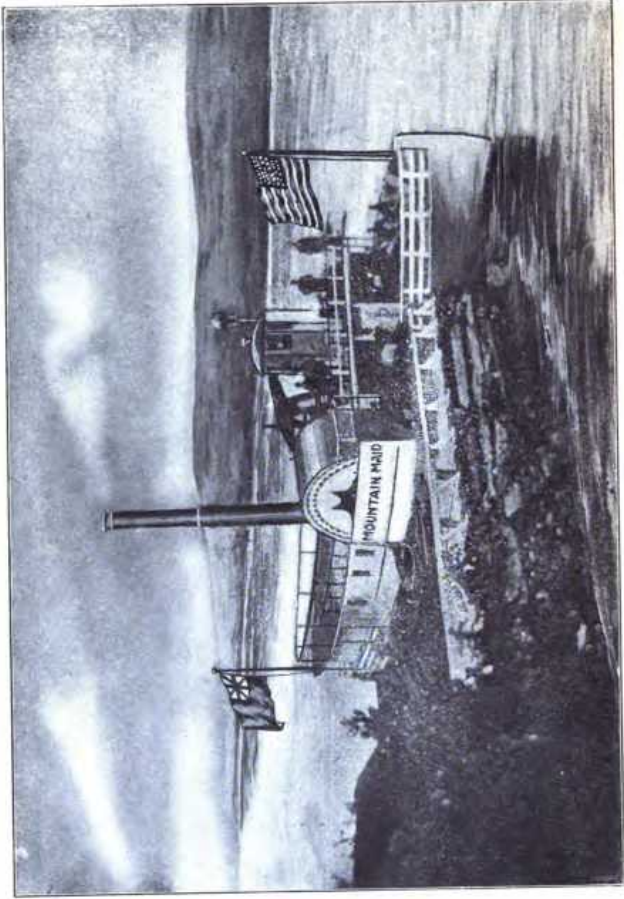
Uriah Jewett and his Sea Serpent Story of Lake Memphremagog so famous sixty years ago has now almost become legendary and many do not believe that Uriah Jewett was ever a living personage on the shores of that beautiful lake. But the note book of George C. Merrill who was purser on the steamer Mountain Maid at one time, will show that Uriah Jewett was not only made of human flesh and blood, but was a poet of the Province of Quebec. As to the sea serpent we shall leave the matter to the reader and our artist who is represented to us, as a man of great note, research and ability. He comes

to us very highly recommended. He was a member "of the 3d Ambulance Company of the New York National Guard." When on duty on the Mexican border in 1916 and 1917 he was "Art Editor of the *Rio Grand Rattler*,"* which especially qualified him as the artist best fitted to properly delineate this serpent of Lake Memphremagog.

We learn that Uriah Jewett was from New Hampshire, and was an old-time schoolmaster in that state. There in those days they estimated a man's qualifications for teaching school by his ability to wield a beech

*A magazine issued by the army on a traveling press.

withe. The town superintendent of schools always examined the candidates for teachers in *beeck-letics*.



MOUNTAIN MAID AS FIRST APPEARED.