

vated, into which the surges have rolled with the deafening reverberations of a sea-coast "purgatory." The principal plateau of the island is limited at nearly all points by an abrupt wall dropping down into the deep waters of the lake. Here is a beetling cliff, one hundred and forty-five feet high, called "Lover's Leap," connected with a sentimental Indian legend. In another place is "Chimney Rock," one hundred and thirty-one feet high, and in another, "Robinson's Folly." At "Arched Rock" (Fig. 86),

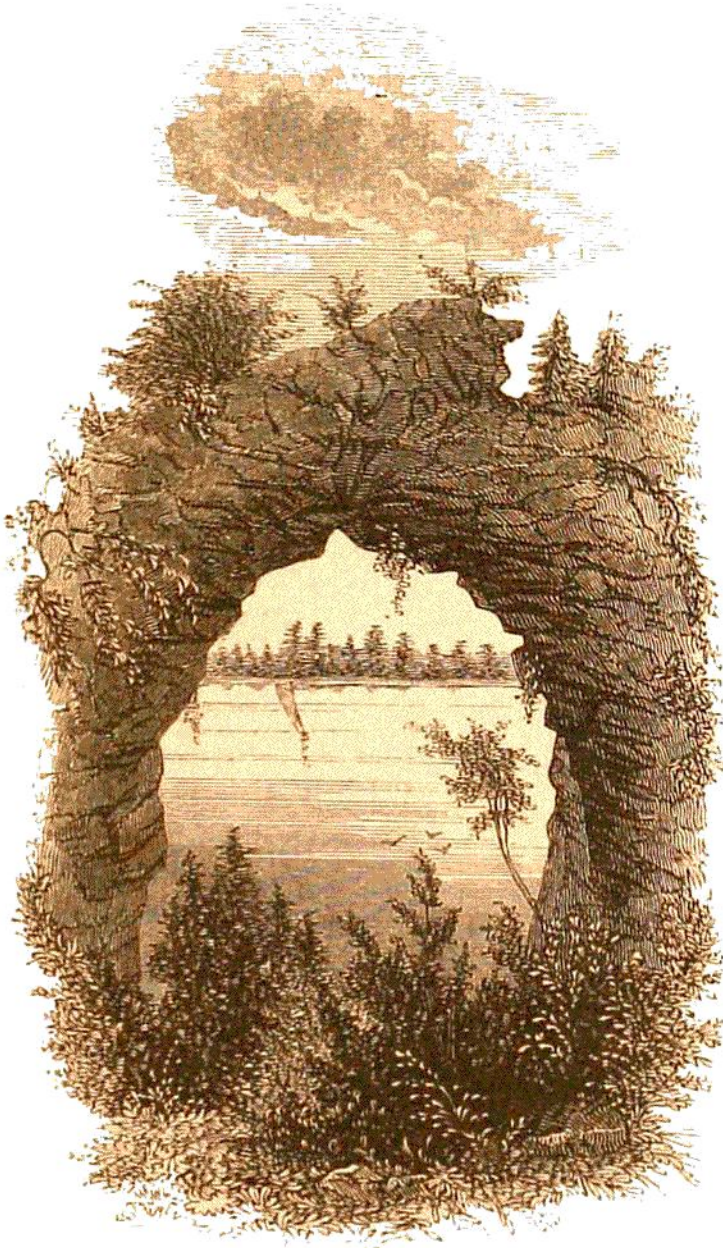


Fig. 86. Arched Rock, Mackinac Island.

on the eastern side, towering one hundred and forty feet above the lake, the fierce waves, unable to reach the solid and unyielding brow of the precipice, have mined beneath it, perforating the limestone wall; and a natural bridge hangs there, with one end resting on a winged abutment stretching toward the lake. All round the walls of this castellated and charming island the recording waves have left their hieroglyphs, from the water's edge to the battle.