## ABOUT THE SPRINGS AND BROOKS.

7. But one of the greatest, the busiest, and most beautiful of the cities in Ohio, is *Cleveland*, on its northern border. It is situated on one of the finest harbors on the Great Lakes. Its leading branches of business are shipbuilding for the lake trade, and the manufacture of iron and steel from the rich ores brought from the Lake Superior iron mines.

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Mis-sis-sip'-pi. | I-tas'-ca. | is'-land [i'-land].

1. THE surface of the Great Central Plain is everywhere cut by green valleys, with clear, bright streams flowing through them, just as in the valleys among the mountains. Let us talk a little about these streams. We would like to learn whence they come, and whither they are going.

2. Do you remember ever seeing, on the sides of hills or mountains, places where the water comes from among the rocks, in little streams, cool and clear? We call them *springs*, you know. There are very many of them in all the hills and mountains that we have passed; and from every one, flows a little brook of clear, cool water. These brooks that flow through the little valleys, by and by flow together into one greater valley; and thus they form the rivers.

3. The Ohio River, on which Cincinnati is built, is formed by many smaller rivers, which are made by little brooks flowing from the springs in the Appalachian Mountains. But the hills and mountains are

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