RICHFIELD SPRINGS.

THE SEASON CONTINUES BRILLIANT.

THE RIDING TOURNAMENT—PERSONAL INTELLIGENCE.

[FROM THE REGULAR CORRESPONDENT OF THE TRIBUNE.]

RICHFIELD SPRINGS, Aug. 7.—The riding tournament of last Saturday was brilliant and exciting as a spectacle. The knights who contended the lists at the Driving Park were J. A. Hadden, Knight of Canadunago; A. W. Haddon, Knight of Otsego; Mr. Beard, Knight of Labor; Mr. Alcott, Knight of Sulphur; Mr. Cheeseborough, Knight of the Round Table; Larrie Kip, Arabian Knight; Mr. Merrill, Knight of Berkley; Louis Agostini, Knight of Orange; Mr. Fuller, Knight of Richfield; Mr. Coffey, Knight of Malta. So many brave knights being present there was no lack of fair ladies. The Knight of the Round Table had the misfortune to be thrown from his horse and so contended for the first prize only. The first prize, a handsome silver pitcher, offered by Mr. Proctor, was won by Master Louis Agostini. The sport was tilting at and bearing off rings, and Master Louis bore away ten. After the riding there was a fine balloon ascension.

The sacred concert of Sunday evening, at the Spring House was unusually fine, the Weber male quartette giving a selection written expressly for them by Mr. W. E. Vandewater. Mrs. Luther, Mrs. Macy, Miss Simms and Mr. H. L. Keyes participated.

At the tennis tournament the first prize was a silver cup, the second a silver match-box. The winners in the singles were Miss E. H. Coffey, of New-York, and Mr. S. N. Keasbey, of Newark, N. J. In the doubles Messrs. R. W. Harvey and Taylor won and received the prizes, each a pair of rackets.

The last performance of "Micawber" at the Summer Theatre was a benefit for the actor, Mr. Rowe. The audience was large and the performance satisfactory. The company have gone to Saratoga. Opera and concerts with various theatrical entertainment, "The Mikado," etc., will succeed.

The Hon. Warner Miller and wife and the Hon. O. B. Matteson and wife are expected at the Spring House.

Mr. John Davenport, for the past twenty five years auditor of the Board of Education of New-York, is spending his summer vacation at the Davenport House. James B. Groome and family are at the same house. Mr. Groome is collector of the port of Baltimore.

John P. Stocton, Attorney-General of New-Jersey, is at the Spring House.

Mr. William Ordway Partridge remains at Richfield through the season.

Arrivals include the following:

Spring House.—Joseph Bush, Bainbridge; John M. Crouse, M. Freeman, Utica; E. R. Thomas, Thomas Reid, E. R. Moir and wife, H. L. Keyes and wife, New-York; H. E. Brewster, J. E. McLaughlin, Utica; E. P. Knowlton, Miss Mary Knowlton, H. L. Greenman and wife, Mrs. E. H. Cook, I. H. Greenman, W. B. Greenman, Miss Lillian Greenman and Miss Bessie Greenman, Brooklyn; C. G. Grosvenor, H. W. Griswold, John Kelly, A. P. Smith, Herkimer; Seward Shaffer, Cobleskill, Mrs. M. E. Mann, Springfield; G. W. Pier and wife, Miss K. E. Pier, James Mason, Thomas B. Kerr and wife, T. H. Kerr, Louise S. Kerr, Frederick A. Brown, Miss Augusta Brown, Charles C. Burke, New-York; George S. Batchelor and wife, Saratoga; A. S. Douglas, Middletown; Alfred S. Elliott, wife and children, J. D. Lister, wife and son, Huxley Harvey, wife and son, E. A. Harvey, Wilmington, Del.; A. S. Lane, wife and children, Washington; Mrs. C. A. Platt, Miss Platt, M. A. Hayer, wife and child, Miss F. Allen, J. H. Zollin, Miss N. Zollin, Philadelphia; Mrs. E. L. Smith, Miss Mott, Miss Mills, Miss Smith, Mrs. D. M. Fisk, Miss Mattie Fiss, Long Island; W. L. Watson, Utica; Hugh Glenn and wife and Miss Glenn, Frederick Gilbert and wife, Miss Gilbert, G. W. Wood, Miss Wood, Miss Sicard, Miss Mann, Utica; Mrs. Olcott, Miss Olcott, Mrs. E. R. Bacon, Miss C. Davies, J. Roland Enos, J. M. Randall, Miss Randall, Mrs. C. K. Garrison and maid, P. H. Carter, New-York; Mrs. S. G. Browning, Miss Browning, Miss Sill, Miss Starkweather, Mrs. Mekay, Miss H. Mackey, Miss E. McKay, Cooperstown; Miss Alice Davies, Thomas Davies, Poughkeepsie; James Powers, Albany; Mrs. Henry Williams Biddle, Miss Alice Newbold, R. G. Pilters, George Boker, Philadelphia; Mrs. G. C. Perkins, Miss Martha H. Perkins, Franklin Spechman, Hartford, Conn.; John P. Stockton and family, Charles Bradley, wife and child, Newark, N. J.; Miss Woods, Columbus; Miss Mansfield, St. Louis.

New-American.—Charles Fargo and wife, the Misses Adelia and Florence Fargo and L. W. Fargo, Chicago; N. B. Freeman, David Matthews, wife and maid Melville Scholle, New-York; Mrs. M. B. Allen, Flemington, N. J.; Mrs. A. G. M. Prevost, Washington, D. C.; Mrs. A. V. Van Fleet, Flemington, N. J.; C. J. Langdon, Chicago; R. G. McCord and wife, Mrs. R. Frangenheimer, Mr. and Mrs. Sonnenhall, Mrs. S. Godwin, Miss Godwin, Mrs. D. M. Stone, A. H. Allen, M. D. Warwick, New-York; B. Douglass Howard, London, England; Miss Millie Schwarzwalder, Brooklyn; Mrs. Y. S. Kingman, Miss Kingman, Miss Mabel Kingman, Theodore Kingman, Orange, N. J.; E. D. Wood, Miss Wood, Miss M. Wood, Albany; H. G. Merriam, H. B. Merriam, Waverly, N. Y.; Rich P. Herrick, James Graves and wife, Edward Heyman, Mrs. Oscar Pfeiffer, M. S. Lathrop, B. W. Sweet, New-York; H. D. Robinson and wife, Yonkers, Mrs. V. Bliss, Howard Fagner, Mrs. Charles, Philadelphia; Mrs. Sarah A. Cooke, Miss Hilliard, Paterson, N. J.; Miss Lida Sprague, Brooklyn, Miss Lucy Stone, Bingham ton; Mrs. C. Furlong, Boston; Mrs. William Harris, Miss B. K. Williams, W. B. Ferris, Fall River, Mass.

Fuller House.—N. H. Sabin and wife, Miss N. Devereux, Mrs. Julia Holburt, child and nurse, Miss T. Keyser, Mrs. R. B. Shiner and Master Shiner, New-York; Mrs. E. Y. Rogers, Miss Ruff, Rahway, N. J., Dr. N. K. Tracey and wife, Miss F. F. Vanderhoof, Miss Leila Vanderhoof, Miss Hazel Vanderhoof, Mrs. F. C. Moore, Royal V. Mora, New-York; Mrs. William D. Cromwell, Miss Mabel G. Childs, Cromwell Childs, Miss Alice C. Smithe, Brooklyn; William G. Choate and wife, Dr. Seneca D. Powell, Irvin A. Powell, New-York; Miss Sawyer, Wallingford, Conn., H. D. Pixley and wife and Miss Pixley, Utica; Mr. A. W. Boardman and wife, Miss Boardman, Miss Grace L. Boardman, Boston.

Darcesport House.—W. B. Eddy and family, Stapleton, Conn.; James B. Froome, Maryland; Mrs. William Butler, Walter A. Nash, Boston; E. W. Cass, Mrs. Cass and maid, D. Lessentrill, George Lessentrill, Blanche Lessentrill, Walter Lessentrill, Mrs. M. E. Littauer, Mortimer Shaw and wife, James P. Ballard, S. A. Alribone and wife, Miss Hawley, New-York; W. M. Bright and wife, Wilmington, Del.; Miss E. E. Ockerhulsen, Miss A. Ockerhusen, George E. Ockerhusen, Staten Island; James H. Walker, jr., Miss Annie Walker, Stewart Walker, College; Thomas L. Lawson, Philadelphia.

Perkins House.—Louis Fox and wife, M. Guttman, G. Miller, New-York.

Canadarago House.—G. B. Weiss and wife, Miss Bertha Parkes, Mrs. L. Bier, Arthur M. Bier, Charles J. House, Mrs. L. Wormser, Miss Carrie Wormser, Sidney Wormser, Mrs. Adelina Thromauer, Mrs. A. G. Mandel, L. Leuger, M. Cellar, H. Jesphy, New-York; A. Bensheimer, Philadelphia; George Lawer, W. J. Gougan, Rome, N. Y.; Dr. E. Fuerth, Charles Papper, Y. Pepper, Mrs. S. Kaufman and family, Joseph Weil, Brooklyn.

LAKE GEORGE.

HOTELS WELL FILLED AND MANY FUTURE ENGAGEMENTS.

[FROM AN OCCASIONAL CORRESPONDENT OF THE TRIBUNE.]

LAKE GEORGE, Aug. 7.—The faces of hotel proprietors grow brighter as the August rush for Lake George continues. A number of the largest houses on the lake are full and in a week will be turning away prospective guests. Among the New-Yorkers who have registered the past week at the Sagamore are Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Hill and family, Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Clark, W. Howard, Mrs. John Pondir, the Misses Pondir, John Miller, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Deming, Mr. and Mrs. Meicher, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Falconer and family, Mrs. Eli Keen, Miss Jeannette Keen, Mr. and Mrs. Frank A. Keen, Walter Mechlinb, Mrs. D. G. Youngjing, jr., and family, Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Remer, Miss Margery M. Remer, John G. Dater, Mr. and Mrs. George A. Strong, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Hyde, Miss Hyde, Mr. and Mrs. John R. Marie, Madame M. Obry, the Misses Obry.

At the Marion House, six miles north of Caldwell, are Judge and Mrs. J. J. Gorman, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Baxter, jr., Dudley Tenney and family, Charles H. Bailey and family and Mr. and Mrs. J. de Azuero, the Misses Corwin, Mrs. A. Mowbry and family and Mrs. Thomas B. Peck and family.

The Fort William Henry's recent german was a brilliant affair. Among the dancers were Miss Helen Thorne, Miss Price, Miss Nellie Abbott, Miss Maggie Townsend, Miss Jennie Fisher, Miss K. Price, the Misses Bryan and Mrs. S. J. Gans, all of New-York.

The Crossbside register shows the names of Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Olphant and family, C. C. Peck and family, Mr. and Mrs. Henry White, Miss Robinson, Robert C. Lewis, Miss Hendricks, James Turnbull, Theodore McFadden, Miss McFadden, Miss C. McFarlan and Mrs. P. W. McDonell, of New York.

CHAUTAUQUA.

INCIDENTS OF A BUSY WEEK.

[FROM AN OCCASIONAL CORRESPONDENT OF THE TRIBUNE.]

CHAUTAUQUA, Aug. 7.—This has been a great week at Chautauqua. Although the hotels around the lake are comfortably filled with summer boarders guests continue to arrive on every train. At the two religious assemblies large audiences have listened to powerful sermons and addresses during the week. In a social way, there has been an abundance of pleasure at the hotels. Hops have taken place nightly and the apparent monotony of the week was broken by numerous morning germans and excursions to Panama Rocks and other sights of interest in the vicinity. New-Yorkers continue to arrive on boat and train. Among the arrivals during the week were Mrs. Clearman, C. W. Sutlell and John F. Combs, at the Kent House, Lakewood. Chester B. Lawrence and wife, C. B. Lawrence, jr., and George B. Lawrence, of Brooklyn, are at the Kent House. Mr. Ira S. Davis, of Troy, N. Y., Miss Hattie E. Whicher, of New-Brighton, S. I., Mme. Belle Cole and Mrs. Edna Day, of New-York, Henry White and wife, of Brooklyn, and E. J. Swinney and wife, of New-York City, G. E. Gordon, of New-York, president of the American Humane Society, and his wife, and Mrs. William Abbott, of New-York, are also here.

The Rev. Dr. Terry and Dr. Forest Weld, of New-York City, are at the Hotel Athenæum.

THE THOUSAND ISLANDS.

UNSEASONABLY COOL WEATHER.

[FROM THE REGULAR CORRESPONDENT OF THE TRIBUNE.]

ROUND ISLAND HOUSE, Aug. 7.—This week the weather has been changeable and unpleasant on the whole. On Saturday of last week the heat was intense, and this continued on Sunday. On Monday rain brought cold weather and a strong wind. Heavy winds were the order of the day until Thursday, when the breezes abated, but the cold still continues. Fishing, however, has flourished greatly. Boating is under a ban, and the excursion steamers are scantily patronized. Pedestrianism and active outdoor sports are the order of the day. The hotel piazza is the popular arena for the walkers, where eight laps make a mile. Lawn tennis and pitching quoits are the field amusements mostly chosen.

The Anglers' Association met at the Crossmon House on Wednesday. They had a lively session in the afternoon in the hotel parlors. The music is fine at the Crossmon, and nearly every evening there is a very pleasant hop or german in the parlors. The Crossmon is very full now and hardly has facilities to accommodate its many transient guests. There are over three hundred there now, and every boat from Clayton seems to land more.

The Thousand Island House is quite full also, having over 250. There is dancing nearly every night. Mr. Kendrick, general passenger agent of the New-York Central Road, is at the Thousand Island House. He is fond of fishing and nearly every day finds him engaged at his favorite pastime.

Westminster Park seems to be having more of a rush now, there being over 100 guests there. The quiet bay at the back of the hotel makes it a very pleasant place.

On Friday a baseball match was played between the boys of Thousand Island Park and Round Island Park. After a hotly contested game of nine innings the Round Island boys won, the score being 11 to 8.

The Anglers' excursion party took a trip among the islands on Thursday. There was an excursion to Kingston on Thursday night, which returned about 10:30 p. m.

The Round Island House has excellent music every night and there is dancing and promenading to pass away the evenings. Every night the hotel is brilliantly illuminated with several strings of different colored lanterns.

Among the arrivals during the week are:

Round Island House.—J. A. Black, W. A. Vitty, N. De Golger and family, New-York; Mrs. R. J. Holmes, Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Bushnell, S. W. Kinney, Brooklyn.

Thousand Island House.—J. Legeman, Henry Hab, G. W. Kingsley, W. B. Jewell, A. Sawyer, E. Clark and wife, New-York.

Crossmon House.—J. Frank Raymond, G. F. Brown, H. T. Brown, M. J. Ryan, E. H. Ellis, J. A. Shaw, C. P. Davies, W. H. Gage and wife, H. H. Stone, M. D., P. P. Lee, J. D. Slayback, Ledyard Sands, F. Green, New-York.

THE CATSKILLS.

ONLY A MODERATE RUSH OF VISITORS.

THE WEATHER GROWING WARMER—ENTERTAINMENTS—PERSONAL.

[FROM THE REGULAR CORRESPONDENT OF THE TRIBUNE.]

KAATERSKILL, Aug. 7.—Strange as it may appear with all the variety of atmosphere conditions which has been granted the Catskill region during the week and the novelty of combination with which they have been presented, neither landlords or guests have been quite satisfied. Sunday and Monday were pleasant enough, but on Monday night the mercury began a downward career. A violent gale threatened to blow everybody off the mountain. But that subsided next day, leaving the air so clear that the distant views were superb. Snow squalls were alleged to have occurred on Tuesday morning, but I didn't see them, nor can I tell how cold it was. All thermometers at well regulated resorts in the range are carefully housed at such times. Since then clouds and rain have intervened and now it is much warmer again. All this time crowds of visitors have been coming up and the August rush has been moderately going on, especially yesterday and to-day, and yet there is ample room for more at nearly every point, and no one believes that the range has as many guests now as on the same day last season.

The "Kaaterskill Comedy Company" is add ing to the entertainment and pleasure of the sojourners at this resort materially. Two entertainments are given in the hall each week, all of which are free of charge to the guests of the house.

Dr. E. F. Schmeidler, of New-York, is an old mountain visitor. He always makes the tour on horseback and tells me that nearly ten years ago before there was any road down the Overlook to the north he went through that wild forest, over Plattekill Mountain on horseback, cutting his bridle path and bridging streams as he went.

Among Brooklyn people who have lately arrived at different points are, Mrs. J. W. Sanderson, E. J. Hennessy, Annie McCloskey, J. C. Hollingsworth and wife, Frances Higley, Jesse Adams, William Bradley, William White and family, Adrian Salmon and family, E. E. Hodge and wife, Mrs. Race Treahan, P. K. Whitlock and wife, M. Rankin, Mrs. John Smith and daughter, Mrs. Metelski and family, Mrs. Brateam and daughter.

Judge Beach, of Jersey City, has been at Prospect Park with Mrs. Beach. Henry Bergh was als a recent guest there.

The proposed enlargement at the Grand by another season will include a new dining-room much larger than the present one. The removal of the pharmacy and bazar from the hotel rotunda to a distant building is found very inconvenient by the guests there.

Miss Emma Abbott is quietly resting at the Kaaterskill, previous to the opening of her operatic season. Rear Admiral Nicholson and Mrs. Nicholson are here for a sojourn of several days.

Miss Linda da Costa has been entertaining Prospect Park guests by her singing and recitations lately. Mrs. Seymour, Mrs. Roberts and Miss Susie Maconley, of New-York, will sing at the Grand House sacred concert to-morrow evening.

Recent arrivals include the following:

Prospect Park.—Mrs. C. A. Woodward and family, Frank Lincoln and wife, Mrs. C. M. Palmer and family, A. Martinez and family, E. Adams, Mrs. M. Haywood, J. H. Mahan, Miss E. L. Requa, G. L. Requa, A. Cavillo, H. Vinzut, Miss T. Quetting, T. N. dan Lastor and family, Miss E. Jacques, G. H. Marshall, C. W. Strand, J. N. Mandines, W. Longman, D. D. Brinkerhoff, C. J. Hurd, W. M. Barwick, J. A. Wood, A. M. Hyatt, C. W. Link, Henry Beach, Mrs. S. Rey, New-York; W. H. Palmer, G. Buckingham and family, William Newer, Brooklyn; W. C. Doubleday and family, A. J. Post and family, T. S. Negus, the Misses Negus, J. T. Benedict and family, W. C. Post, E. J. Stratford, Jersey City; C. H. Turner, A. V. Benson, Albany.

Kaaterskill.—E. V. Skinner, Emily Bodestine, Amos R. Eno, J. Stern and family, Mrs. A. Kraft, Fred Kraft, L. G. Vermilye, jr., Mrs. L. Morganstean, Miss Anthon, F. L. Kellogg, Miss E. Smith, S. R. Smith, Miss Benner, Mrs. L. Teasengood, L. Levine, P. J. Rice and wife, W. C. Van Vliek, Miss Van Vliek, Miss L. Van Dusen, J. W. Knapp, A. Penny and wife, A. P. Dayot and wife, Mrs. J. W. Beekman and family, Mrs. I. L. Folk and family, J. Park, the Misses Park, C. L. Lamberton and wife, G. F. Dickens, Mrs. G. A. Banker, Mrs. H. Strausen, C. E. Blair, Gustave Roth, J. L. Best and wife, J. H. Clark, Miss M. L. Herrick, H. I. Borchell and wife, E. M. Kerr and wife, S. Engle and wife, M. Hartter, S. I. Peters and wife, Nettie Wolsbirde, E. N. Johnson, Miss J. Andrews, C. A. Blanchard, F. J. Stone, J. R. Fellows, Dr. H. Goldthwait, Charles S. Dickey and family, New-York; John Meechum and wife, Mrs. W. S. Maynard, Mrs. C. E. McPhail, Mrs. David Moffat, Mrs. H. Rowland, Mrs. T. G. Bergen, Mrs. Ann Robbins and daughter, S. Rowland, Brooklyn.

Overlook.—J. C. Oscar, Charles Parkes, M. W. Gregory and wife, J. H. Beale, jr., R. H. Williams, W. S. Cobb, D. C. Dowd and wife, Ida K. Hines, H. W. Gourney and wife, New-York; Mrs. John F. Klumpt and family, Jersey City.

Mont.—Miss J. I. Thomson, H. L. Bridgeman, New-York; Albert Brown and wife, Brooklyn; Mrs. C. L. Gillett and family, Staten Island; Mrs. William Amable and daughters, Philadelphia; H. Schoonmaker, Seneca Falls; E. M. Harris and daughter, Detroit.

COOPERSTOWN.

THE HEIGHT OF THE SEASON.

[FROM AN OCCASIONAL CORRESPONDENT OF THE TRIBUNE.]

COOPERSTOWN, Aug. 7.—The height of the season finds the landlords here in a particularly amiable mood, in which condition they are likely to remain for some time as most of those who are here seem inclined to stay and many more are daily arriving. It is likely that Cooperstown will have a good September this year. Mr. Crittenden, of the Cooper House has been working for several years to make this a fall as well as a summer resort and he has met with considerable success.

George E. Ward, of Wall-st., is with his family at the Cooper House for the summer.

Mrs. Sill gave a very large and pleasant party Tuesday night.

William Snyder, the well-known railroad man of Galveston, Texas, accompanied by Mrs. Snyder, registered at the Cooper House early in the week.

General G. W. Cass, of New-York, is among the late arrivals at the Cooper House.

D. G. Watts and family, of New-York, have taken possession of one of the Fenimore cottages which they will occupy during August.

The Alpha Delta Kappa Epsilon Glee Club gave an entertainment at the residence of E. F. Beadle, on Wednesday night. The entertainment was a success both as regards the enjoyment and the proceeds derived therefrom.

Harry Fish, the New-York broker, is at the Cooper House.

Mrs. Charles N. Talbot and family, of New-York, are domiciled in the South Fenimore Cottage, which they will occupy for the balance of the season.

Richard P. Herrick, of New-York, is a recent arrival in town.

Mr. and Mrs. William Mason and family are again at the Cooper House.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Le Brun Cooper, of New-York, arrived at the Cooper House Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas B. Kerr and family are at the Cooper House.

On Monday night a concert was given at the Cooper House for the benefit of the Orphanage here. Mr. Louis Blumenberg, Miss Beere and Miss Cæsar were the leading participants.

SHARON SPRINGS.

COOL WEATHER—PERSONAL NOTES.

[FROM AN OCCASIONAL CORRESPONDENT OF THE TRIBUNE.]

SHARON SPRINGS, Aug. 7.—So far as the weather is concerned August opened about as badly as it well could. As regards the number of arrivals it started in much better than usual. The season is, however, at that point where a week of cold weather would make sad havoc in the ranks of the hotel guests.

Mrs. James A. Flack, of New-York, is occupying a cottage here.

Mrs. J. T. Ten Eyck, of Mt. Holly, N. J., is a recent arrival at the Pavilion.

Mrs. S. D. Schenck, of New-York, gave a pool party at the Pavilion billiard-rooms on Monday.

David S. Banks, of New-York, is a late arrival at the Pavilion.

Bradish Johnson and family arrived at the Pavilion on Thursday. They will occupy one of the cottages.

A very elaborate masquerade party was given at the Enlon on Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Gracie King are at the Pavilion.

Recent arrivals are as follows:

Union Hotel.—Miss Julia Richman, Miss Bertie Richman, Mr. and Mrs. Francis Muller, Anna von Coern, Catharine von Coern, M. Spiegel, Leopold M. Wallach, L. Joseph, Mrs. T. Richman, Henry Hirsch, wife and two daughters, S. B. Hamburger, New-York.

Sharon House.—Mrs. J. M. Conway, Miss Conway, W. H. Waldron, W. C. Waldron, Miss Hattie Lee, C. B. Jordon, Miss M. Strass, E. E. Halleck and wife, Henry Wilker and wife, Mrs. H. J. Brandt and son, James Thomas, A. J. Botsford and wife, of New-York.

WEDDING PRESENTS.

From The Buffalo Express.

A list of wedding presents lately published in a country paper runs: "From father and mother of the bride, one Jersey calf; from bride to groom, hair wreath made from hair of her entire family, and also six fine shirts; from Brother Elias, one book of poems, one dream book, from one 'Polite Letter-Writer,' and a dog; from Aunt Harriet, six hens and a rooster, also one jar tomato catsup; from Cousin Sarah, one poem made up by herself on bride and groom, fifteen verses in all."

THE ADIRONDACKS.

ON AND AROUND BLUE MOUNTAIN LAKE.

TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES—HOTEL AND CAMP LIFE.

[FROM AN OCCASIONAL CORRESPONDENT OF THE TRIBUNE.]

BLUE MOUNTAIN LAKE, Aug. 6.—The greater part of Adirondack travel enters the mountains by the gateways along Lake Champlain, while the Southern Adirondacks, with speedy and easy access thereto directly from Saratoga, are somewhat overlooked. The fact is, however, that that is just the region for the many travellers who wish to visit the mountains and lakes without all the exertion and hardship which they feel would attend a trip by the northern routes. The Adirondack Railroad runs from Saratoga northward sixty miles to the verge of the mountains, where the visitor takes a Concord coach, or light buckboard wagon and is carried rapidly thirty miles over the best of roads to Blue Mountain Lake, the beginning of the great water highway, extending 120 miles, to St. Regis Lake. "We came to the conclusion some time ago," said Mr. W. W. Durant, president of the Adirondack Railroad, in conversation with THE TRIBUNE representative, "that a decided move in improvements should be made; our general offices were falling down, few trains were run daily, the wagon-road from our terminus to Blue Mountain Lake was execrable, and the stage line was in a state of financial decrepitude. As a result of our efforts at reform, we are now occupying new offices, running twelve trains a day instead of six, and have expended thousands of dollars in grading, blasting and improving the turnpike, so that Concord coaches now run smoothly to Blue Mountain on rapid time. I firmly believe that the Adirondacks are the resort of the future, and I am aiding heart and soul in the progress northward. Our project for next year is to utilize the water highway. Already we have a line of small steamboats that ply from Blue Mountain Lake as far as Forked Lake. Next year we shall have additional steamers, small, light draught stern wheelers, by which passengers can be transported easily and comfortably through the chain of lakes as far as the Upper Saranac, and the tourist of 1887 can sail half around the Adirondacks, making a novel and delightful trip. The plans for our boats are made and the course staked out."

Lazerne and Schroon Lake are reached also by the Adirondack Railroad, border resorts with such attractions of their own as to speak for themselves. Schroon Lake is twelve miles long, winding and narrow, shut in by rugged hills. Schroon is not really a fashionable place, but it is the gathering place of charming people, all of whom seem sensibly determined to have the best possible time. There is just enough boating and fishing to give purpose and occupation to the guests and not enough Adirondack flavor to make dancing and dressing unpopular. Charming walks and drives lie in every direction, the foothills of the Adirondacks, though themselves wild and interesting, are not aggressive enough to make rough roads and hard travelling.

At North Creek, sixty miles from Saratoga, the Adirondack Railroad terminates. If one is bound farther into the mountains, the scene at the station is an interesting one. Wagons and buck boards of all sizes and descriptions hover about to pick up passengers and baggage, and from the midst the large Blue Mountain coach looms solemnly up. There is a scramble for seats on top, and the rest of the passengers stand about to be sorted by the driver and tucked away inside.

Blue Mountain Lake is a unique resort. The lake itself, above which towers Blue Mountain, is an irregular body of water about three miles across, dotted with occasional islands. The greatest depth of the lake is ninety feet. There is no inlet, the entire body of water being supplied by springs, which makes it the last lake in the woods to freeze. There are three hotels on the lake. Some idea of the Prospect House can be obtained by imagining one of the great Saratoga hotels picked up from its present position and dropped in the wilderness, all ready for guests. The main building, five stories in height, has a length of 255 feet fronting the lake, and back from the main building projects a wing 150 feet in length. The hotel is substantially, even handsomely built. The large office looking out upon the lake, with open fireplace in which always burns a cheerful log fire, makes a pleasant rendezvous for the guests. There are large parlors and halls, and 200 airy bedrooms, in all of which running water and the Edison incandescent electric light surprise the arriving guest. A steam elevator, colored servants in uniform, billiard rooms and bowling alleys, all add to the idea of a wonder in the wilderness which impresses every visitor.

The Prospect was built by Mr. F. C. Durant, a well-known New-Yorker, but the hotel is entirely in charge of Mr. G. W. Tunnicliff, late of the New American at Richfield.

The Lake House is none the less popular because of its great neighbor's proximity. Mr. John Holland attends to the wants of an overflowing household at the Lake, and though he can accommodate nearly two hundred, finds it difficult to stow all his guests away. Mr. Holland is the pioneer landlord of Blue Mountain, his first hotel dating back about ten years. The present structure, which has superseded it, is a comfortable but not pretentious building that shelters a jolly party each season.

With its island-dotted surface, its ragged shores, the campers' paradise, its waters well stocked with fish and sheltered by mountains, Raquette Lake may well be called a gem. Its irregular shape making a continual coves and bays, prepares new surprises for the visitor each day. There are just enough camps on the lake to take the edge off of loneliness and two appropriate hotels, Bennett's and Kenwith's, are situated on the lake and well patronized. The former is the larger and accommodates plenty guests in true woodsman style. A great log fire burns in the office, and opposite is a huge gun rack. Rods and guns around, and soft hats are decorated with trout flies and hooks. No fashion here—knickerbockers, leggings and flannel shirts have vanquished them. Each season a goodly company of enthusiastic fishermen and hunters find generous entertainment at Mr. Bennett's "under the Hemlocks," and a smaller number at Kenwith's, across the lake. Among the campers who have exchange and tasteful rustic houses are Commodore Stout, of Hudson, at Bird Point; Camp Ives, Lyon, of Albany, at Nettle Point; H. Harmon and family, A. S. Apgar, Echo Camp; C. W. Durant, Camp Fair View, and W. W. Durant, Camp Pine Knot. The latter, and the camp of F. C. Durant, "The Cedars," on Forked Lake, are the finest camps in the region, and perhaps in the Adirondacks, as the lakes further north have nothing more attractive.

On an island in Raquette Lake, called St. Hubert's Isle, is a small chapel, built by contributions of summer visitors. The idea of Mr. Mulford, of Troy, camping near, led to the services, and each Sabbath the bell from St. Hubert's Isle rings out over the lake calling to prayer, and from every direction throng the canoes of guests and campers to attend the service. It scarcely seems as though anything more could be desired than the secluded charms of Raquette Lake.

The latest social weekly hop given by the management of the Taylor House at Saranac Lake was a great success. The festivities were held in the spacious parlors of the hotel, and were largely attended. The music was furnished by Pinto's orchestra of New-York City, which has been engaged for the season. Among those present were General J. M. Palmer and wife, U. S. A., Mrs. Robert Larkin, Mrs. George Bond, of Newark, N. J., Vernon L. Tenney, J. E. Keane, Henry O'Neil, Judge A. E. Lapham, Edward Harrigan and wife, Edward R. Vallinet, Frank L. Hart, J. F. Brinton and wife, Mrs. H. L. Judson, John A. Cassed and wife, William J. Merrill, Miss C. Merrill, Gifford Rowe and wife, A. S. Caldwell and wife, C. G. Caldwell, the Misses Lillie and Bessie Stockwell, Milton See and wife, George Brabham, the Misses Brabham, A. G. Sherwood and wife, George Reed, wife and daughter, Miss Mattie Thornton and Mrs. Mary Brown.

ATLANTIC CITY.

THE SEASON ALREADY WANING.

[FROM AN OCCASIONAL CORRESPONDENT OF THE TRIBUNE.]

ATLANTIC CITY, Aug. 7.—The season is on the wane, and the hotel-keepers are in a sad plight over what has been in strict truth an unprofitable season. Ask any hotel man the question as to what kind of a season he has had, and the reply will be "very dull."

It has been finally decided that the Washington Light Infantry will encamp here for ten days or two weeks. They leave the capital on the evening of August 22, and will arrive early on the following morning. The company will bring the Marine Band, and also expect to have President Cleveland with them for several days.

Among the arrivals this week who will remain during the balance of the season were Benjamin F. Lee, Clerk of the Supreme Court of New-Jersey; ex-Congressman Thomas Terrell, of New-Jersey; S. L. Thatcher, cashier of the West Chester, Penn., Bank; James S. McIntosh and J. C. Bergstresser, Editor of *The Insurance World*, of Pittsburg; Charles Voorhees, of Harrisburg; A. L. Gordon, United States Marshal for the Southern District of New-Jersey; the Hon. T. J. Clayton, of Thurlow, Penn.; the Rev. Thomas Davis, of Cresson, Penn.; W. P. McClure, Norristown, Penn.; James C. Reed, of Pittsburg; M. R. Cole, Pottsville; William Stewart, of *The Philadelphia Record*; Barton Cheyney, City Editor of *Every Evening*, of Wilmington, Del.; H. S. Stevens, president of the Norristown, Penn., Mutual Insurance Company; the Rev. P. C. McIlvroe, Mahanoy City, Penn.; J. H. Cohn, Chicago; M. L. Connelly, Bethlehem, Penn.; President John W. Moffley, Manufacturers' National Bank, of Philadelphia; the Hon. Allen H. Gauzemer, Burlington, N. J.; Assistant District-Attorney Bregy, Philadelphia; Postmaster Janney, of Camden, N. J.

LONG BRANCH.

AN INTERESTING HOTEL OPENED.

PERSONAL AND SOCIAL GOSSIP.

[FROM THE REGULAR CORRESPONDENT OF THE TRIBUNE.]

LONG BRANCH, Aug. 7.—The Branch at last has an interesting place for summer guests to visit. The old Newbold mansion, on the west bank of the Shrewsbury River, at Pleasure Bay, has been turned into a hotel, with Patrick McKenna as proprietor, and Henry Kempf, formerly of the Merchants' Club, New-York, as *chef*. It is known as the "Port au Peck House," from the fact that Sarah Riff purchased the land where it stands from the Indians for a peck of port wine. In 1730 the property was sold to the Tallman family, which held it for a century. The Newbolds bought it in 1830, and sold it three years ago to William W. Conover, of Red-Bank. The house is at least 150 years old. There is a wide hallway running through it, and queer stairs and quaintly shaped windows, which were the fashion in the early days of New-Jersey. The heavy oak floors are as good to-day as when they were laid, and the hand-made nails which hold the shingles on are drawn out with great difficulty. A beautiful grove of locust trees surrounds the house, and there large parties of cottagers eat the crabs caught within a stone's throw of the odd old mansion and then make a tour of the ancient building.

H. O. Armour, the pork packer, who has the Blanchard cottage on Ocean-ave., gave a handsome dinner at the Elberon this week.

J. W. Miller, of Teft, Weller & Co., has arrived at the Hotel Brighton with his family.

Captain Wynant Pierce and Mrs. Pierce, of Brooklyn are guests of Mrs. E. L. Morris and family, on Broadway.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel R. Lyddy, of New-York, will erect several cottages this fall.

Mrs. E. L. Clayton, of Brooklyn, has arrived at the Atlantic Hotel.

Marshall Halstead, the eldest son of Murat Halstead, is stopping at the Searboro.

Mr. and Mrs. J. U. Fraley, of Lincoln-ave., Elberon, gave a dinner party at the Elberon Thursday evening.

Peter A. B. Widener, the railroad manager, has returned from his western trip and joined his family at his Ocean-ave. cottage.

J. A. Van Schaick and family, of Philadelphia, who were guests of the Hollywood cottages, have gone to Old Point Comfort.

H. Gordon McCombs, of Philadelphia, is a new guest of Leland's Ocean Hotel.

M. P. Breslin and family, of New-York, have taken apartments in one of the cottages of the West End Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. Taylor and the Misses Taylor, of Philadelphia, are new guests of the West End Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Baldwin, of New-York, are at the Howland Hotel.

The annual balls of the United States and Atlantic Hotels were held this evening. The ball of Leland's Ocean Hotel took place Thursday evening. It was highly enjoyed by those present.

The Rev. William J. Hamilton, of Brooklyn, is a guest of Leland's Ocean Hotel.

NEW-JERSEY BEACHES.

BRIGHT OUTLOOK FOR THE NEXT TWO MONTHS.

FISHING, YACHTING AND KINDRED SPORTS—ARRIVALS OF GUESTS.

[FROM THE REGULAR CORRESPONDENT OF THE TRIBUNE.]

BEACH HAVEN, Aug. 7.—Judging from communications received by the hotel proprietors here, the months of August and September will be unusually lively ones. Nearly all the rooms at the hotels have been engaged for the two months. The splendid fishing and bathing at this place are unsurpassed, and fishing was never better. J. Holgate Berry, of Philadelphia, caught on August 2 430 fish in five hours, thirty-three of them with one bait.

Chief Engineer Garwin, U. S. N., has recovered from his severe illness of two weeks.

William T. Adams, of Philadelphia, a guest at the Ocean House, is expecting the yacht "Three Bachelors," which is to enter the regatta of August 16 to take place on Tuckerton Bay, from Beach Haven.

The fine music at the Baldwin furnishes enjoyment every evening. This hotel boasts of having the finest ballroom on the coast.

All the cottages here are now occupied for the season. Among the cottage residents are the following: Charles T. Parry, of the Baldwin Locomotive Works; William Parry, Alfred Reger, William T. Burnham and Dr. Williams, of the Baldwin Locomotive Works; James Baird, Wilsons Brothers, Dr. Samuel A. Ashurst, William A. Brown, William Worne, of Philadelphia; G. S. Butler, William Butler, Hiram Lampson, Samuel Cowperthwait, G. H. Walker, George C. Dayton, Charles Gibbons, David E. Stretch, G. W. Mathis, Charles Cox, jr., and William P. Smith.

Recent arrivals include the following at the large hotels:

Baldwin, Beach Haven.—Robert E. Glendinnen, Philadelphia; Mrs