IN THE NORTH WOODS.

SPLENDID FISHING IN ALL THE ADIRONDACK WATERS.

GOLF AND TENNIS POPULAR—THE MUSICAL SEASON BEGUN—VISITORS AT HOTELS AND COTTAGES.

THE STEVENS HOUSE.

Lake Placid, N. Y., July 14 (Special).—Combining an opportunity for the enjoyment of every kind of outdoor and indoor recreation with a well filled house, the season here is of the loveliest. Fishing in Lake Placid was never better than at present, and returning parties invariably report good luck. The lake trout have been running large this year, and four and five pounders frequently are caught.

The golf links being always at hand are ever dotted with happy and care free players practising diligently for the tournaments now soon to be held. The professional golfer who is to look after golfing matters generally and to see that the links is kept in the pink of condition has just arrived.

The cottages are now gay and lively, as many of the younger generation are found among their occupants.

On Tuesday evening Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Keep, Harry Ransome and Miss Ransome entertained a small party of young people at the Noble cottage, which they are occupying for the season. A most enjoyable evening was passed by all. Miss Frances Knight, Miss Florence Naylor, Harold Naylor and Dr. S. D. Dice were included among those present.

Among the cottagers who are now occupying their summer homes here are Mr. and Mrs. John S. Naylor and family, Edward Kuhn and family, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. McElroy, Dr. and Mrs. J. Williston Wright, Mrs. Nathan Porter, jr., Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Keep, H. Ransome, Miss Ransome, Miss Dodd, Sidney Feltenheld and Horace C. Brewster and family.

The hotel's New-York guests now include Mr. and Mrs. John McCormack, S. Buzzini, D. C. Connell, Miss Connell, Miss L. Purcell, Miss Stanton, T. E. Gilmartin, John J. Martin, Miss Martin, A. L. Jones, Helen R. Madigan and Mrs. L. C. Miller.

THE RUISSEAUMONT.

The season at the Ruisseaumont is now well launched, and from the interest taken in all outdoor sports and pastimes, the summer seems destined to be particularly lively and pleasurable.

The games and sports of the help held last week were greatly enjoyed by all. The tug of war and the potato race proved specially attractive.

Tennis is being much played at present on the dirt court, though it is doubtful if that game will regain the popularity it once enjoyed before golf entered the field as a summer diversion.

A most excellent orchestra has arrived, and a feature of the life at the hotel is the daily programme of classic and popular music given by it.

The following New-York guests are now at the Ruisseaumont and in the hotel cottages:

J. E. Barnes, Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Bell, George H. Cudlipp, Mr. and Mrs. George Barclay Moffat, Otto J. Michel, Mr. and Mrs. H. Edye, R. W. Pressprich, Dr. Walter Martin, Herbert Parsons, Miss E. Clews, Samuel D. Page, Dr. and Mrs. Robert Coleman Kemp, John H. Prall, W. E. Bassett, Mrs. Charles shields, Mrs. William R. McCready, Mrs. J. M. Starbuck, Miss Starbuck, A. M. Williams, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Martin, Ernest C. Bliss, Mrs. Albert E. Putnam, Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Hoffman, Miss Hoffman, C. G. Truessell, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Clark, Miss Clark and Philip Staustead.

ST. HUBERT'S INN.

Beede's N. Y., July 14 (Special).—About one hundred visitors are at present enjoying the hospitality of St. Hubert's, and the rapidity with which rooms are being taken promises that accommodations will soon be at a premium.

The guest here finds so many points of picturesque interest to visit that to keep on the go daily for an entire season would hardly give one time to get around to all. Mountain peaks rear themselves on every side as an inducement to the climber, and shaded walks to rivulets and cascades of surpassing beauty are everywhere to be found. Either Grant's Washbowl or Noon Mark Mountain is the scene of the first efforts of the embryonic mountain climber, and the trails are both steep and long enough to require considerable strength and perseverance, and are an excellent introduction to the ascent of the loftier mountains.

A life out of doors is the usual one at the Inn. Golf is at all times popular, and the fine course is ever the scene of a friendly match. The roads are in the best of condition for driving or wheeling, as frequent showers have laid the dust and made them as hard as a floor.

Results of fishing excursions to brooks and ponds in the neighborhood have been fine. Recently a party consisting of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Patterson, W. S. Roberts and some friends, returned with 180 rainbow trout and 60 brook trout, after a day's outing.

One evening last week a party of young people from the hotel greatly enjoyed a straw ride to the valley, and others are now being arranged to take place on one or more of the moonlight nights.

Orlando Beede & Son have an able assistant in the management of the Inn this year in W. Y. Lloyd, formerly connected with the Waldorf-Astoria, of New-York.

Among the latest arrivals from New-York are Mr. and Mrs. David M. Morrison and family, Henry S. Snow, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Goeller, S. Sidney Smith and family, Sturges Coffin and family, Mr. and Mrs. W. Edwin Thorpe, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Lobenstine, James D. Smillie, Randolph Hurry and family, M. E. Robinson, Miss Robinson, Henry Bedinger Mitchell, and C. H. Griscom, jr. and family.

Count de Lafayette was a guest of the house for several days, while on his trip through the mountains.

THE ADIRONDACK HOUSE.

Keene Valley, N. Y., July 14 (Special).—The season's outlook at the present time is that this year is to be one of the most successful in the history of the house. The hotel is well filled with guests who find more than enough to occupy every minute of their time. The roads are all in the best of condition for driving or wheeling, and the angler's heart has been gladdened by his success in John Brook and Chappell Pond, which have more than carried out his greatest expectations.

Several automobiles are expected here shortly and their owners should find the long level stretches of hard road in the beautiful Keene Valley well adapted to them.

New-Yorkers at the hotel include J. W. Edwards, E. V. Hoyt, Mr. and Mrs. H. Robertson, Miss E. V. J. Coe and Mr. and Mrs. John H. Murphy.

CASCADE LAKE HOUSE.

Exceptionally fine fishing this year in the two charming Cascade lakes has developed all latent tendencies toward that sport in the guests of the Cascade Lake House. Every one has had a try for the trout, and excellent luck is reported from all sides, and record catches are of common occurrence. Last week Miss Louise Weston hooked a four pound lake trout, the largest of the year. A brook trout weighing one and one-half pounds is the largest of that variety that has been landed.

The hotel is in its usual neat and trim condition, and is with good reason proud of its new golf course, which promises to divide honors with the lakes as a field for healthful recreation and amusement.

W. L. Durant, L. G. Boud, John Sherry, Miss Sherry and George W. Williams and family, all of New-York, are now here.

THE WINDSOR.

Elizabethtown, N. Y., July 14 (Special).—The village and environments of Elizabethtown never looked more beautiful and more inviting to a visitor than at present. The much needed rain has freshened up the grass and foliage and put the roads in the best of condition for driving or wheeling. Now is an excellent time to take the stage for a trip to the beautiful Keene Valley and to Lake Placid. No dust will interfere with one's enjoyment of the ride, and the journey well repays the traveller with charming bits of the finest Adirondack scenery.

The first golf tournament of the season, for a silver cup, was held on the Cobble Hill links last week, and was won by Judge Clifford D. Gregory, of Albany, with a handicap of fourteen strokes. His net score was 85 for the full course of eighteen holes, winning by one stroke. The closeness of the contest made it the more enjoyable to the onlookers, of whom there were a large number from all of the hotels.

The Boquet River will probably be the scene of many canoeing regattas this summer. Several of the guests of the Windsor have canoes, and others have ordered new ones built and sent here. Horseback riding is coming rapidly into popularity. An instructor from the Brooklyn Riding and Driving Club is here, and many of the guests are rapidly becoming expert riders. Driving is also popular, and F. W. Duryea, of New-York, has had his team sent here from the city. Others have indicated their intention to follow his example.

Henry A. Gildersleeve and family, of New-York, have arrived and are now occupying the entire first floor of the Windsor cottage. Judge Gildersleeve is an enthusiastic golfer, and daily makes several trips around the course.

Other recent arrivals at the Windsor are Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Duryea, Wright Duryea, Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Stevens, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Williams, Miss Williams, Miss L. S. Murray, Miss A. M. Murray and W. M. Baldwin and family, all of New-York.

DEER'S HEAD INN.

The broad piazzas at the Deer's Head Inn have been found to be a most comfortable retreat for a smoke or to finish a favorite novel during the season of showery weathery which has just come to a close.

Golf is the rage with young and old, and a number of the guests of the house participated in a recent tournament held on the Cobble Hill course. The tennis court is also frequently in use, though golf here, as elsewhere, has the greater number of followers among the visitors.

Herbert S. Carpenter, who with his family is a guest at the Deer's Head, made the trip from New-York as far as Westport, on Lake Champlain, in his 50-foot gas launch, by way of the Hudson River, Lake George and Lake Champlain.

Several excursions have been made recently to the ice cave, a natural curiosity, where ice and snow several feet in thickness are found even in August.

This week the orchestra arrived, and daily concerts are now given, an enjoyable feature of the daily life here. A dance is expected to take place shortly now that the music is here.

Frank M. Zittel, Mrs. L. T. Anderson, W. P. Sayre and M. C. Stanton are recent arrivals from New-York at the Deer's Head.

WESTPORT INN.

Westport-on-Lake Champlain, N. Y., July 14 (Special).—With golf, tennis, boating and other outdoor pastimes by day, and with delightful little gatherings of an evening in the music room for an informal dance, the congenial crowd spending the summer at the Westport Inn find the time passing quickly and pleasantly.

The guests seem never to find the outlook from the hotel grow tiresome, but on the contrary, the beautiful view of Lake Champlain and the Green Mountains beyond gets daily more interesting as the broad stretches of water and high ranges become more familiar.

Golf, of course, is the great game, but tennis on the smooth, elm shaded court is played a great deal, and driving is also popular. The convenience with which trips can be taken on the Lake Champlain steamers, the landing being but one hundred yards from the door, indicates that such excursions are to be of frequent occurrence.

The number of permanent summer guests continues steadily to increase. Among the latest arrivals from New-York are C. B. Isham, Donald M. Barstow, Miss Frances B. Barstow, Mrs. T. A. Perkins, J. P. Cotton, jr., Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Opper, Mr. and Mrs. A. Oppenhym, Dr. and Mrs. Beverly Robinson and family, Mrs. Charles G. Crawford, Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Du Bois, Miss E. M. Jones, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Langham and Julius Sachs.

J. L. M. Curry, of Washington, D. C., formerly United States Minister to Spain, is also a guest at the Inn.

HOTEL AUSABLE CHASM.

Ausable Chasm, N. Y., July 14 (Special).—Every year the popularity of the Hotel Ausable Chasm as a permanent summer resort increases. Transient visitors to the great chasm and stopping at the hotel only for a meal find that the house offers everything to be desired in the way of location and an opportunity for indulgence in all of the outdoor pastimes and recreations, and return to spend a longer time with their families.

Almost daily the house is entertaining large parties of excursionists from near and distant points.

Boats are now running through the ride and no visit to the chasm is complete without this exciting but perfectly safe accompaniment.

Several New-Yorkers are now at the hotel, among whom are Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Dalsimer, Dr. and Mrs. J. Rudist, Mr. and Mrs. A. Gardner, W. P. Coleman, Miss Coleman, Louis Hirsch and Miss Hirsch.

THE AMPERSAND.

Saranac Lake, N. Y., July 14 (Special).—The guests at the Ampersand find that there is here no lack of diversions with which to drive dull care away. Almost every one is a golf fiend, and expressions of approval of the condition of the course are heard on every side. The professional player engaged by the management to arrange matches and to look after the links and golfing matters generally arrived this week. A baseball team is in the final stages of organization, and is expected to uphold the enviable reputation which the hotel nines have heretofore had. Match games are to be played with teams from other hotels in the vicinity.

The hotel orchestra has just arrived, and the daily programmes of music are greatly enjoyed and appreciated.

Many arrivals of guests during the last week show that the hotel's reputation as an ideal retreat from the city's heat has not declined in the slightest. Every day on the arrival of the trains the hotel stage fairly groans beneath the weight of the crowd of happy guests glad to be once more in the fragrant and life giving air of the Adirondacks.

J. Pratley Smith and family are this year occupying the Wigwam.

New-York's representatives recently arrived are Mr. and Mrs. W. Ward Damon, W. F. Potter, Lewis Schott, Harry Balfe, C. G. Fruessell, Mr. and Mrs. Mezbach, Frederick C. Inman, Charles S. Inman, Miss Inman, Mr. and Mrs. S. Taylor, jr., Miss Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. James J. Fave, Mr. and Mrs. George W. Miller, Miss Miller, Mr. and Mrs. A. Macfarlane, Dr. M. Delmar Ritchie, Walter E. Merger and Edgar J. Merger.

THE ALGONQUIN.

The Algonquin began its series of entertainments that are to be given in the hotel parlors this season on Thursday evening, when a literary and musical programme was given by professional artists. A most enjoyable evening was passed by the guests, and the other features of the summer programme are looked forward to with great interest.

Pike fishing in the lake has never been better, and a disappointed angler is a rarity. A party returned the other day with a fine string of fish which weighed fifty-five pounds. Single fish weighing ten pounds are not rare.

The storm that visited this region last week did considerable damage. The launch belonging to G. W. Ferguson, jr., broke away from her moorings and was beached, but the damage done to her was fortunately slight.

Golf continues in popularity, and several good players have been developed among the new followers of the game.

Mrs. George R. Manierre, of Chicago, has just opened her camp near the hotel.

Dr. and Mrs. Murtland, Miss F. R. Peyser, A. R. McCoy, Mrs. C. F. Mills, G. W. Lord, Dr. W. Ferguson and Dr. Daniel Scully, all of New-York, are among the recent arrivals at the Algonquin.

HOTEL DEL MONTE.

The season at the Del Monte is well under way. The house at present is entertaining over fifty guests, and from the number of applications for accommodations that have been received the season will undoubtedly be most successful from every point of view. Much alteration has been made to the house both within and without. The steps leading to the front piazza from the roadway have been changed so that at present the entrance is at the side of the house. The orchestra will be here on the 25th inst. to enliven the evening hours and to provide music for the dances that are scheduled among the entertainments to take place during the season. Those now staying here are William F. Coulter and family, F. H. Betts and family, H. Wolfe and family and Theodore Dennison, all of New-York.

PAUL SMITH'S.

One does not have to be told that the season is on at Paul Smith's. Everywhere there is the hum of conversation, and strains of music from the parlors tell that the orchestra has arrived and is doing its share toward the entertainment of the guests.

A week of showery weather has prevented the golf links from being used to any great extent, but the clouds have now lifted, and appearances are that ideal weather for the sport may be expected during the coming week. The course is in the pink of condition for the tournaments which are to take place shortly.

Several new power boats arrived this week, William Rockefeller's fast naphtha and Augustus Hemenway's new style vapor launch being among them. The hotel electric launch has also been put in commission, and may be chartered for trips through the beautiful St. Regis chain of lakes.

There are a number of Yale men at the hotel this season, and several members of the Yale baseball team are expected here shortly, among whom is Stuart Camp, the captain of the team. A nine is to be organized and a summer schedule of games will be arranged with other Adirondack hotels.

The fishing has continued to be of the best. Walter T. De Haven, a most enthusiastic fisherman, is seen daily on the lake, and has made several fine catches of trout. A single brook trout, weighing three and one-quarter pounds, was recently landed by him.

The large tallyho coach of the hotel, drawn by six superb black horses, is now making the trips to the railway station. The ride on top of the coach is a treat that is never missed by a visitor here if there is a vacant seat remaining.

The cottages of the hotel are now practically all tenanted. Charles Oelrichs, of New-York, is expected shortly to occupy the only vacant one. Recent arrivals in the cottages are Mrs. E. G. Stoddard, Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Maffitt and Miss Maffitt, M. Taylor Pyne, of Princeton, N. J., is expected at his cottage this week.

Basil B. Gordon and family, of Baltimore, are at the hotel, and will occupy their camp on Osgood Pond some time this week.

Mrs. Henry B. Livingstone, of New-York, and the Misses Livingstone are occupying the Schlessinger Camp, on Upper St. Regis Lake.

Mrs. M. B. Barber and her daughter, Mrs. Charles H. Paine, have arrived for the summer, and are in their camp on Lower St. Regis.

Augustus Hemenway and family are in Camp Wiser, on Lower St. Regis.

William Hall Penfold, Edward Penfold, Miss Penfold, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Durkee, the Rev. and Mrs. W. B. T. Smith and Mr. and Mrs. William Rauch are other campers who have just arrived.

A party, consisting of Eliot Lee, Maxwell Stevenson, Laurie Lee and Miss Lee, is occupying the Emerson Camp.

At the hotel the following are recent arrivals from New-York: Mr. and Mrs. James E. Lee, J. L. Hatch, A. I. Vosburgh, Mrs. W. B. Thom, H. D. Parmelee, Jesse J. Rice, Mrs. S. Steierwald, Mr. and Mrs. James Clarke, Miss C. Phelps Stokes, Miss Stokes, Miss Cleeve, Davis R. Vail, George Fennells and family, Wade Chance, Mr. and Mrs. L. Bayard Smith, Louis M. King and Mr. and Mrs. W. Rutherford Mead.

SARATOGA'S JULY THRONG

OUTDOOR DIVERSIONS TAKE THE PLACE OF DANCING—THE SCHEDULE OF CONVENTIONS.

Saratoga Springs, N. Y., July 14 (Special).—Mid-July finds this resort entertaining its usual complement of visitors, which includes summer Saratogians and cottagers, all of whom are enjoying the many delights of the season. While farmers up to a day or two ago bitterly complained of the protracted lack of rain, the weather has, as a whole, proved highly favorable for driving, boating and other outdoor diversions, such as polo, golf and tennis, which are the popular pastimes here this summer. In fact, athletic amusements have become so popular in Saratoga that, so far, dancing has been engaged in by comparatively few. The piazza concerts even attract a far greater number than the ballrooms.

Delegates to a couple of large conventions combined business with pleasure in this mineral water town the present week. The Master House Painters and Decorators' Association of the State of New-York, with headquarters at the Worden Hotel, opened its annual conclave on Tuesday, and artistically embellished almost three days with its proceedings. The New-York State Bankers' Association, with headquarters at the Grand Union Hotel, began its Saratoga session yesterday morning, and for two days disposed of many questions of finance and good cheer, had a reception and banquet, also an excursion to Lake George. It fairly discounted time, which can easily be done by congenial spirits in this convention equipped town.

Saratoga is having almost a continuous convention performance. Large and small bodies come and go with almost schedule like regularity, and the programme will extend till the close of the season.

The Republican State Convention, it is semi-officially stated, will be called to assemble here in either the first or second week in September. The Democratic State Convention will probably meet here at a later date, despite the fact that Albany, Syracuse and Buffalo are seeking to capture it.

While no accurate information can be gained here in regard to the matter, it is intimated that the August meeting of the Saratoga Racing Association will be comparatively short. There is a rumor to the effect that the association will not utilize all the time allotted to it by the Jockey Club, but will confine its operations to what is called the clear dates—those dates that do not conflict with other leading tracks. Already a large number of running racehorses have reached Horse Haven, and many people go to the track daily to watch them train and exercise. Many more stables are due here next week.

A concert for the benefit of St. Christina's Home, a most worthy charitable institution, will be given by the Troy Vocal Society on July 20.

"The House that Jack Built," a pantomime, will be produced in Congress Spring Park on August 10. It will be conducted by M. S. Frothingham, of New-York, who is master of ceremonies at the United States Hotel.

Fannie Bloomfield Zeisler, of New-York, will give a piano recital here on August 4.

The Saratoga Traction Company will on Monday throw open to the public the Kayadeross Park, at Saratoga Lake.

Karl Schneider's orchestra, of New-York, is supplying the music at the Kensington Hotel.

Mrs. Anna D. Flynn, of Brooklyn, has rented for the summer the William Smith cottage, in Caroline-st. J. M. Delmour, of New-York, is occupying the J. A. Butler cottage, in Lafayette-st. Mrs. M. J. Readey, of New-York, has sold her property in White-st. to Matthew Johnson, who will erect a handsome cottage.

Thomas C. Luther's steamer, the Alice, to-day began its regular trips on Saratoga Lake for the season.

The Saratoga County Republican Convention will be held on Tuesday, July 17.

The Saratoga Polo Club tournament will begin on July 20 and end on July 28. Crack players from various parts of the country will participate.

President Carter of Williams College will lay the cornerstone of the new Congregational church here on Saturday, July 21. The address will be delivered by the Rev. George Puddefoot, who claims "the United States" as his place of residence.

The Universalist National Summer Meeting will begin here on July 30 and continue till August 5.

AT LAKE GEORGE HOTELS.

PROMINENT PEOPLE WHO HAVE RECENTLY ARRIVED.

Lake George, N. Y., July 12 (Special).—Mr. and Mrs. George W. Fackler, Miss Grace Fackler, Miss Mary B. Trimble, Miss K. T. Woolsey and Miss Mary Hueston, of Kentucky, are spending the summer in the villa on Crown Island, which Mr. Fackler has leased for the season. The lease also includes the fine steam launch the Crusader.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Barr, Miss Mary Godfrey Barr, Miss Elise A. R. Barr, Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Parker, all of New-York, and cottagers on the grounds of Indian Kettles Park, were visitors at the Sagamore this week.

One of the important additions to the lake colony at the Sagamore Hotel is due to the arrival of Mr. and Mrs. George Burnham and a large party from Philadelphia. Isaac Davis and Mrs. Davis are also at the Sagamore as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. Burgess Warren, in Wapanak cottage. Mrs. George H. Danforth and Mr. Theodore B. Starr, of New-York, cottagers at Hulett's, are there for the summer. The family of S. J. Blatchford, of New-York City, have leased the Conger cottage on the shore of Bolton Bay for the season.

Sir Charles Beverly Robinson, of London, England, and a party of friends visited the lake this week on their way south. Sir Charles and his party are making a tour of the United States and Canada.

The Lake George Country Club elected directors this week as follows: Edward Barr, Charles S. Phillips, H. S. Brown, George V. Maynard and C. Cooper Clark, all of New-York. The officers are: President, Edward Barr; secretary, C. S. Phillips; treasurer, C. Cooper Clark.

The Lake George Golf Club, at the head of the lake, has made extra preparations for the summer. Mr. Brereton now holds the silver cup, having won it last year.

The Rev. George R. Van De Water and Mrs. Van De Water are guests of Commodore and Mrs. John Boulton Simpson in Villa Nirvana, on the grounds of the Sagamore.

Colonel William Dalton Mann and Mrs. Mann Vynne, his daughter, are entertaining at Saunterers' Rest Mrs. Richard Henry Savage and a house party from New-York.

Mr. and Mrs. John M. Davis are guests at the Fort William Henry.

The Fort William Henry orchestra has arrived, and play mornings, afternoons and evenings on the grand piazza. Mr. Converse, of Troy, is the leader.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Loughran have returned from their wedding journey, and are now guests at the hotel for the summer.

Controller J. W. Morgan of Albany has leased one of the cottages in the Lake House crescent, and has arrived and taken possession of it. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gumbes, of Philadelphia, and Dr. Gumbes are also guests at the Lake House.

The orchestra at the Crosbyside this summer is composed of young women.

W. F. Ranger and sisters—the Misses Florence and Gertrude Ranger—of New-York, have been occupying Ranger's cottage, on Ranger's Island, for several weeks.

J. Sterling Bird, of New-York, has leased Juanita Island, in the Narrows, for the summer. Mr. Bird is the owner of a sloop rigged boat, aboard of which he is often seen on the lake.

The family of Dr. J. B. Knapp, of New-York, are at home for the summer in the Knapp cottage, on the grounds of the Hundred Island House.

BAYSHORE'S PROPOSED HORSE SHOW.

ENTERTAINMENTS OF THE WEEK ALONG THE SOUTH SHORE OF LONG ISLAND.

Sayville, Long Island, July 14 (Special).—Mrs. John Suydam gave a large afternoon tea on the lawn at Edgemere, Bayport, last Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. H. T. Chittenden, who has taken apartments at the Delavan, Sayville, for the season, has gone to Narragansett Pier to spend a week with Mrs. Washington McLean.

Mr. and Mrs. L. K. Wilmerding, after spending the early part of the season at their home in Islip, have closed the house and gone to Iselboro, Me., for the rest of the summer.

Senator William J. La Roche, of Brooklyn, has been visiting W. G. Gilmore, of West Babylon. Mr. Gilmore owns "My Fancy," the old home of Walt Whitman.

Teackle Wallis Lewis has leased cottage No. 9 in Argyle Park.

Bayshore is slowly warming up to the idea of giving an open air horse show before the close of the season. Hamilton H. Salmon and Willard Candee, of the Riding and Driving Club, together with Charles F. Hubbs, are prime factors in the movement. They have the promise of a large stock farm to the west of Bayshore, where there are an excellent half-mile track and seventy box stalls. The Hempstead and Meadow Brook men are willing to enter their horses, and nearer than Hempstead are the stables of "Dick" Carmen, Frank Lawrence and F. G. Bourn.

It is not long that the city visitors are content just with the outdoor life and no form of entertainment other than that of taking in oxygen. They crave amusement after a while just as they crave it in the city. The success of the affairs given in the little new Opera House at Bayshore proves this, and Sayville is about to begin its usual round of concerts. Miss Amy B. Forsslund is to give the first one of the season on July 20, and, from the advance sale of tickets, it promises to be a great success.

The engagement of Miss Mae Harris, daughter of Mrs. Stephen Cox, to Louis Randolph Hamersly, son of C. H. Hamersly, has been announced. Mr. Hamersly is a member of the Randolph family of Virginia and a brother of Mrs. Robert B. Roosevelt, jr.

COOL CATSKILL WEATHER.

TRAVEL TO THE MOUNTAINS INCREASING STEADILY—NEWS OF THE HOTELS AND THEIR GUESTS.

Kingston, N. Y., July 14 (Special).—The cool days of the early part of the week soon gave way to the delightful weather which has since prevailed in the mountains. The only apparent climatic need just now is rain. The showers have been passing around the range of late, affording more electric display and spectacular effect than moisture. Some of the streams are running low and the roads are dusty. But these conditions are not usually lasting in the Catskills; a single shower often brings the desired relief.

Visitors have been arriving steadily at all points, and the travel mountainward has been on the increase all the week. The methods of approach are now so numerous and frequent, however, that the vast crowds of former seasons are more evenly distributed during the day with less discomfort and greater expedition. The baggage tossers, while still in their element at times, are somewhat less frantic in their haste because of the many through trains with baggage coaches direct for the mountains. Thus the big trunks get there more safely and promptly.

The New Grand resort, on Summit Mountain, begins its season auspiciously under its new management, and many new visitors are coming in with the old patrons of former seasons. Dr. John P. Munn, the Gould family physician, who frequently visited the Grand with Jay Gould in past years, is again there with his friends, R. W. Townsend and wife, of New-York. The Rev. Dr. R. R. Booth and wife are again passing the season there. The swimming pool down in the grove in front of the hotel is a novel feature in the mountains highly enjoyed by many guests. The regular Saturday hops and the informal evening dances are among social features much enjoyed at the Grand.

The well known Tremper House, so popular with many in former years, now remains closed, and it is said it will not be opened this season because of waning patronage of late years. The Tremper once was among the fashionable large resorts of the range, it being among the first large hotels built in the Catskills. But the railway extensions to more distant points have proved detrimental in many ways in spite of its pleasant situation on a fine plateau near the entrance of several famous valleys or mountain divides.

W. H. Murphy and family, of Newark, N. J., are sojourning at the Rexmere, with many other prominent guests. C. E. Lambert, of the West Shore Railway, and a party of friends were recent guests there. J. W. Teasler, a St. Louis merchant, is also there.

W. B. Lawrence, jr., of New-York, is a guest of Dr. Bristol in Granthurst Park.

Bicycle side paths are promised in Delaware County, between Walton and Stamford and Sydney and Stamford.

The first passenger train on the new extension of the Ulster and Delaware line, from Bloomville to Oneonta, is announced to leave Stamford at 11:16 a. m. to-morrow. Parties are forming at many stations for this initial trip.

The fast Saturday parlor car special over the West Shore and Ulster and Delaware roads leaving New-York at 1:10 p. m. arrived at Stamford ahead of schedule time last Saturday. It is well patronized and highly appreciated.

The recent death of Dr. Skene at his fine summer home at Highmount is much lamented by his neighbors there. The Skene Free Library, at Griffin Corners, which was established by Dr. and Mrs. Skene, was closed during his funeral.

Professor Thomas Peaslee is preparing the cantata of "Belshazzar" for the formal opening of the new assembly hall at Stamford, July 24. Local talent is enlisted.

De Pachmann, the pianist, who has been resting in Margaretsville, has now departed for Europe.

The Fleischmann Baseball Club left in a special car this morning for Cincinnati, where it will contest the field with the Cincinnati League team.

The Prospect Park Hotel, on the river bluff at Catskill, is showing a long list of arrivals for July. Among the guests there are A. P. Betell and wife, H. Heathman and George E. Tugnot, of Manhattan, and Mrs. Effie Yoting, of Brooklyn.

Thomas E. Benedict, of Cleveland, is spending the summer at Winnesook Lodge, at the foot of Slide Mountain.

Fire Chief Edward V. Croker, of New-York, is at the Glenwood with his family for the summer.

H. Englander and family, of New-York, have taken the Gossoo cottage, on Birch Creek, Pine Hill.

Max Brill, of Brooklyn, has a fine cottage in Highmount Park.

Manager Bruce is receiving guests at the famous old Overlook Mountain House, as usual, and treating them with great coolness of atmosphere. He asks visitors to bring warm clothing. The train must be left at West Hurley for this high resort.

"The Palenville Zephyr" has made its appearance for its third season in that pretty little hamlet, of which the editor, Mr. Dykeman, is a loyal and patriotic citizen. He pleads for a fish and game club, and wants to stock the streams so full of trout that they will "come out on the banks and fan themselves with their tails." He says all the Palenville hotels are first class, and predicts that the proprietors will soon have to "put up cots in their cellars" if the guests keep piling in. And then he prints a long and "truthful account of the late Rip Van Winkle" in verse, illustrated.

Dr. William P. Mason and family are occupying their pretty Palenville cottage. George Harding, Mrs. Mason's father, and his daughter, Belle Harding, spent June at their Kaaterskill farm in Palenville.

George Hall, the artist, has a fine home at the entrance of Kaaterskill Clove.

The family of P. A. Schnecker, the organist and composer, is at the Drummond Falls House.

Among late arrivals are:

New Grand—John Schieffelin and wife, Miss Leila Ricards, H. Dormitzer and wife, Miss Jennie W. Todd, H. S. Armstrong, G. von Glahn and wife, F. B. Salisbury, S. Sanders, Milton Nathan, William Hazelton, William Sparger, Mrs. M. Falk, James Barton, J. H. Black and wife, John Bacon, P. C. Anderson and wife, B. Russell Throckmorton, Mr. Obendorf and family, Mrs. G. Blum, George E. Lund, Miss Kaufman, Simon Heyman and family, New-York; Charles Emory and wife, Brooklyn; Edward Robinson and family, Mrs. John Dodge, Boston; Mrs. M. Born, Miss Addie Born, Chicago; Mrs. Carolyn Hazelton Peets; M. W. Curry and wife, Key West; Charles Lewis and wife, Baltimore; Edward Winnig, Leavenworth, Kan.; Henry D. Pierce and wife, Indianapolis; Mrs. S. E. Worms and family, New-Orleans.

Overlook Hotel—James Orr and family, A. W. Langford and wife, William L. Reed and wife, Thomas H. Hall and family, Walter A. Dolane, Miss Helen Perry, C. D. Small, Katheryne E. Chase, G. W. Bachman, Byron K. Flack, Florence E. Lamb, George Conant and wife, Thomas H. Dolane and wife, Charles F. Simon, Miss Simon, Mr. Stone, Brooklyn.

Atchinson House—Mrs. Clara Davis, G. C. Whitney and wife, Mrs. C. E. Merrihew, Mrs. C. L. Brownell, G. H. Bolles and wife, Miss Livermore.

The Catskill Mountain House opened for its seventy-eighth season under most favorable conditions; a great many of the patrons of former years have taken rooms for the season and new guests are arriving every day. The hotel has on its gala day dress and amusements are in full swing. Golfing promises to be the most popular sport at the Mountain House during the season of 1900. The new links are being put in prime condition, and in a short time will be lively with the enthusiastic devotees of the royal game. Miss Hertz is at present the most observed of the "cranks." Next to golf and a lively second is tennis, which claims the attention of a large proportion of the young people. Each afternoon the courts on the Mountain House lawn are kept busy with a jolly crowd of athletes, whose active movements furnish amusement for those who are enjoying the mountain breezes from the spacious verandas. Bowling, boating on the lakes, driving parties and hops also receive a large amount of attention from the guests. Slater's Orchestra, from Troy, N. Y., furnishes bright and enlivening music every afternoon and evening. Among the arrivals from New-York are the Rev. Dr. J. C. Eccleston, Dr. Edmund Carleton, Mr. and Mrs. Fabian Sachs and family, Malcolm Southworth, W. E. Verplank, Mr. and Mrs. J. Cohen, H. Murray Conrad, Dean Alvord and family, D. C. Ball and family, Mrs. H. B. Hertz and Miss Hertz, Mrs. J. W. Gilman, Miss M. Thompson, Mrs. J. Halbert Drake, Miss O. A. Thorne, Mrs. William Cane, Miss Lilly Lewis, R. Kahn and family, Miss Jennie Dreyfuss, Mrs. A. M. Levino and family, Dr. Charles D. Wright and wife, Clayton Mayo, Dr. L. C. Baldwin, Mrs. M. Moony, Miss Belle Fisher, Miss Florence Fisher and Mr. and Mrs. A. Cunningham.

A BUSY WEEK AT THE HALCYON HOTEL.

Millbrook, N. Y., July 14 (Special).—This certainly was a busy week at the Halcyon Hotel, so many parties came here from the Berkshire Hills to spend a few days at the Halcyon. The golf tourney, which was to take place last Saturday, was postponed until July 21, because some of the men were called to town on business. George J. Jetter, a well known New-Yorker, drove the Halcyon brake to Upton Lake last Tuesday, which was much enjoyed by all. Those who took the eight mile drive were Mrs. Albert Baldwin, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Christie, Mrs. George J. Jetter, J. Whitney Baker, Georges Renault, Miss Cora Barr, Mr. and Mrs. James T. Powers, Mrs. H. R. Robertson, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene MacComas and John Selden.

Among the latest arrivals here are Mr. and Mrs. George J. Jetter and child, of New-York; Mrs. Albert Baldwin and Miss Baldwin, of New-Orleans; Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Christie, of New-York; Georges Renault, of New-York; Mr. and Mrs. William H. Barnard, of New-York; the Misses Hoyt and Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Lascelles, of New-York; H. H. Flagler and family, of New-York; Mr. and Mrs. Eugene MacComas, of Washington, D. C.; Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Pope, of New-York; Mrs. Susan Swift and Miss Van Anden, of Brooklyn; Mrs. J. W. Barr and Miss Barr, of Brooklyn; Mrs. K. S. Bibb, of New-York; John L. Tonnele and Miss Tonnele, of New-York; Mr. and Mrs. John N. Tonnele, of New-York; Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Coler and Master Kenneth Coler, of New-York, and Mr. and Mrs. James Converse, of Lakewood, N. J.

THE WEEK AT THE PIER.

PROMINENT ARRIVALS AT THE HOTELS—OCCUPANTS OF THE COTTAGES—THE SERVANT QUESTION.

Narragansett Pier, R. I., July 14 (Special).—Joseph Leiter, D. R. Hanna and Stewart M. Brice were the prominent arrivals of the week. They are guests at the Mathewson. Mr. Hanna's visit is part of his honeymoon.

It is proposed to present "As You Like It" on the lawn, if the proper spot can be secured. B. A. Burns and Harry J. Berry are back of the scheme. Professionals will be engaged, and a special effort made to secure Miss Rose Coghlan in Rosalind.

The music at the hotels is especially good. To-morrow night's programme at the Mathewson includes these artists: Miss Effie Stewart, soprano; Miss Alice Thurlow, contralto; Meriam Bruce, tenor; Purdon Robinson, barytone, and Miss Rosetta Wiener, accompanist. Frank Robb is director at the New Gladstone.

The Messrs. Mathewson and J. J. Doty, of the Mathewson and Gladstone hotels, respectively, are in favor of high class music, and that their judgment is excellent is proven by the large crowds from other hotels who listen to the specially prepared programmes.

The "help" question is a serious one, and it is with great difficulty that any servants can be secured. Once here they find nothing to amuse them. A number of cottagers are talking of engaging an unoccupied hotel on the ocean front and transforming it into a pleasure palace for the thousand odd men and girls employed in the hotels and cottages. Included in the "help" are two hundred and fifty waitresses, mainly from the East, among whom are several school teachers and graduates from seminaries. A better behaved or more attractive set of women employes it would be difficult to find. Two male college graduates and one talented artist are acting as night clerks.

Miss Bessie Hewitt and Miss Hocker, together with Mesdames Doty, Hewitt, Riesner, Hanchel, Dr. and Mrs. Ferris, Miss Rheinmann and Messrs. Mills, McLouth, Walton, Whitcomb, Fell, Swope, Collins and Hocker were present at the opening hop given at the New Hotel Gladstone Monday night.

During the week over forty of the most expert trap shooters in the country registered at the Atlantic House. They were here to attend the first annual shoot of the Canonchet Gun Club, whose grounds are situated in the rear of ex-Governor Sprague's mansion. Following are among the best known: W.