

The Tourist's Paradise—Favorite Summer Playgrounds of Eastern Canada

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his enthusiasm is quite pardonable, however, for visitors from remote corners of the globe have declared Pêre Rock the eighth wonder of the world. This towering rock is 1200 feet long, 300 feet wide and reaches a height of 300 feet at its highest point. It is the home of countless sea-birds and much sought by artists and by geologists from all over the world for the fossils it contains. In former years this great rock had two natural arches through which boats could sail at low tide but a few years ago the rock split down the middle, thus forming a separate pillar. It is evident, however, that the incessant beating of the waves are slowly wearing other passages through this massive freak of nature and in these deep caves and about the arch already formed, the visitor may enjoy something rare—the adventure of exploring mysterious regions that are a small replica of the grotesque caverns of storied pirate days.

In the foreground and a short distance to the right is Bonaventure Island, projecting its dark form from the sea like some huge whale stranded on an invisible sand-bar. Its lofty cliffs, like

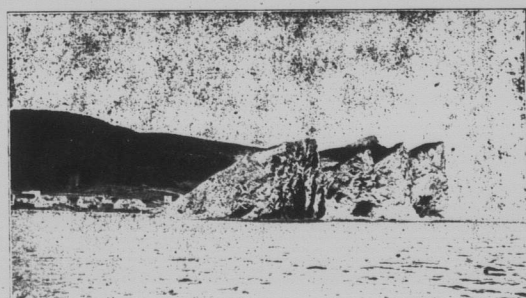


A feature on the Programme of Delightful Summer Sports at this Popular Resort

Pêre Rock, are of a species of limestone known as Conglomerate Bonaventure Formation. Bonaventure Island, three miles long and a mile in width, is famous for its Gannet ledges and, like the Rock, is a government sea-bird reservation. Here thousands of snow-white Gannets, Herring Gulls, Crested Cormorants, Auks, Murres, Guillemots, Puffins and Petrels build their nests and these multitudinous wild-fowl at home form an unique and amazing sight. A little farther to the east the lordly sea-wall cliffs of Pêre rise majestically to a height of some three hundred feet and the Three Sisters and Rosy Peak add a final touch of beauty to a truly magnificent picture.

A TREAT FOR THE GODS

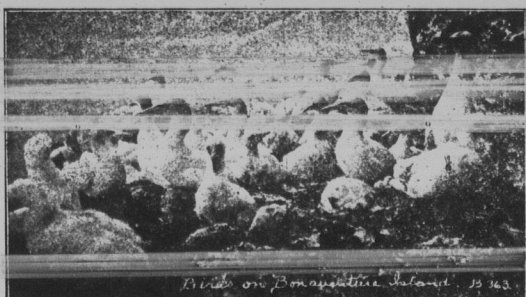
The numerous mountains about Pêre are a never-ending object of admiration for the visitor. The two highest of these are Mount St. Anne and Mount Blanc or "White Mountain", and a trip to the summits of these mountains is a frequent pleasure expedition among guests of this summer colony. From the heights of Mount St. Anne, 1200 feet above the sea level, the sight is a treat for the gods. Far below at the base of the mountain is spread a magnificent panorama of Pêre Village, its carpet of green crisscrossed by the grey streaks of numerous roads. From this lofty vantage-ground even the larger buildings of the village appear ridi-



A View of the Sea from the Heights of Pêre which rise Three Hundred Feet in Height.

culous in their beauty. One is impressed with the mightiness of the rocks and the suggestion of strength of the sea and the excellent beauty of Nature over even the most artistic handiworks of man.

In the foreground is Pêre Rock, fantastic in form as seen from this height. Bonaventure Island, snail from a rift in the sea, lies along the tossing wave-crests of the bay. To the east rises the ruddy summit of Rosy Peak and the lower peaks of the Three Sisters, seeming to extend a mute but resolute welcome to the light of another day. To the south is the vast expanse of deep blue water jeweled by the rays of the rising sun, and to the north stretches a magnificent confusion of mount in peaks merging their purple summits one with another until the extreme limit of vision is reached and the far rim of the picture is finally lost in the misty blue of the northern sky-line. No doubt as this sight in day-light, its transcendent beauty is multiplied to paradisaical splendor at sunrise when, the sun, rising like a huge ball of fire from the eastern sea, bathes the surrounding country in the wine-glow of dawn. Space forbids attempting the description of this daily event which many visitors forsake their beds to behold; moreover, the ineffable beauty of such a spectacle cannot be done justice in print.



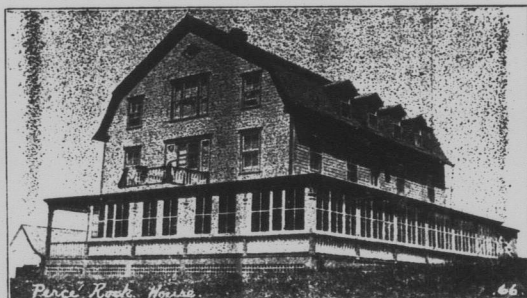
A Glimpse of the Sea-Birds which in Countless Numbers make Their Home on Pêre Rock and Bonaventure Island.

MOUNTAIN HAUNTS

For the nature lover to whom vacation-time means an opportunity to roam in the solitude of fresh, cool reaches of forest and study bird and animal life in its natural haunts, the country surrounding the Pêre Mountains is a never-ending source of delight. The vicinity is replete with shaded hillside paths and strange mountain caves which never cease in their allure for the holiday explorer. In his wandering the vacationist will discover another unique creation of nature, as remarkable in its own way as the massive pierced rock at the beach. This is The Great Rift which separates Mount St. Anne from Mount Blanc. This grotesque crevice, seven feet wide at the top and tapering down to inches at its base, splits the adjacent mountain-walls for a depth of 200 feet. A trip through this giant crevice, although laborious, gives the adventuresome visitor a genuine thrill.

THE PÊRE ROCK HOUSE

Apart from all Pêre's natural attractions for the pleasure seeker there is still a great attraction to be mentioned, and, incidentally, one which provides several others. This is the Pêre Rock House situated on the side of a bluff in close proximity to



The Pêre Rock House Where the Vacationist Enjoys Everything that Makes a Holiday Worth While

Pêre Rock and, by merit of its location affording every guest, right within the confines of his room, a magnificent view either of sea or mountains.

There are no dull moments for the holiday guest at the Pêre Rock House. Almost every possible wish of the visitor has been contemplated and provision made for its gratification. In front of the hotel is a fine tennis court, always popular with the younger and more active guests. The wide enclosed veranda on two sides of the hotel offers a splendid place for dancing. Motor-boating, fishing, hunting, motoring and other recreations have all been provided for. Excursions to Bonaventure Island or Corner of the Beach beyond the mountains are events that the guest will long remember as red letter days of unalloyed enjoyment. Autos are always available for picnicking or sight-seeing parties to points of interest throughout the surrounding country.

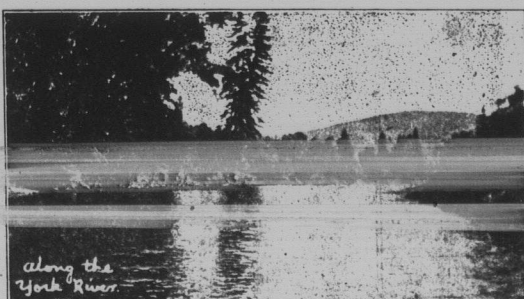
The Pêre Rock House together with its cottages can accommodate about seventy-five guests. This fine summer hostelry is up-to-date in every particular and the treatment accorded the guest is such as to make his sojourn enjoyable in every way. The cuisine is of irreproachable quality and a novel feature of the service is the addition of a bright and airy veranda dining-room large enough to accommodate fifty guests. Lobsters, salmon and fish of all kinds, fresh from the bay, are served in season.



Gaspé as Seen From the Ferry Landing on the South Side of Gaspé Basin.

GASPE

No matter how crowded with enjoyment the tour of the summer vacationist along the scenic Gaspé Coast might be, the trip is not complete nor a full knowledge of the attractions of this holiday wonderland gained unless the visitor goes through to Gaspé, the fourth and last summer resort in this delightful vacationland. Here at Baker's Hotel, internationally famous as the Sportman's Headquarters, comes the final and crowning pleasures of the tour. The holiday guest's cup of enjoyment is filled to the brim and a memorable climax furnished to a truly delightful trip. Apart from all artificial attraction, the very location of this beautiful resort, situated as it is, on the finest natural harbor in the world, has contrived to make Gaspé the favored rendezvous of hundreds of holiday visitors each year. And as to the permanence of this popularity no doubt ever exists in the mind of anyone who has once made the acquaintance of its charms. Gaspé is different; just enough dif-



A Scene on the Beautiful York River which Abounds in Sport for Either the Experienced or Amateur Angler.

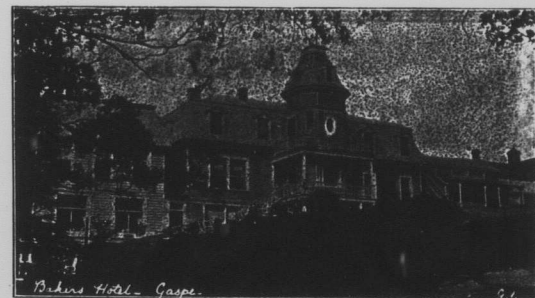
ferent to delight the tourist who, on his quest for diversion, seeks something new. Newness is here, and in abundance; in all the wealth of variety that nature alone can provide.

A TWO-FOLD APPEAL

For the summer visitor Gaspé has a two-fold appeal, for it possesses at least one unique distinction which no other summer resort in Eastern Canada can claim. Situated just within the entrance to Gaspé Basin, a sheltered and land-locked harbour, near the mouth of the beautiful York River and yet at the head-waters of Gaspé Bay, this delightful vacation-ground has at once all the attractions of a sheltered inland resort and yet offers to its visitors all the advantages of a watering-place on the open sea. This dual appeal is emblematic of the variety of Gaspé's attractions to the health or pleasure seeker for this characteristic enhances all the holiday activities of this delightful summer colony. Two classes of summer visitors are thus attracted to Gaspé and each enjoys in equal measure the fulfilment of his highest expectations.

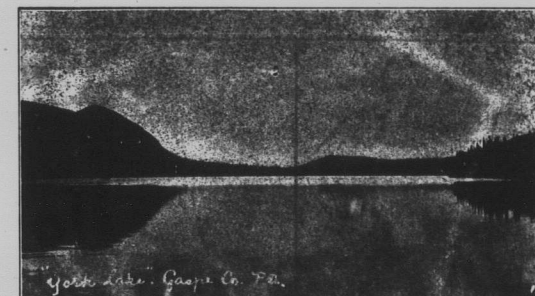
RIVALLING THE BEST

Both in scenery and in healthful out-door recreations for the tourist, Gaspé closely rivals any of the popular summer resorts in



A Side View of Baker's Famous Hotel

Canada. Nestling on the sunny south side of a range of lordly mountains that rise majestically above the harbour and decked in a profusion of the fresh green verdure of summer, Gaspé Village presents a thrilling picture even to the tourist who has travelled far and behold the varied beauty of foreign lands. From the shaded roadways about Gaspé the visitor is afforded a magnificent view in all directions and from the lofty hill-tops about the village the immense panorama of sea and mountains spread out before the vision is a sight that will stir even the most jaded imagination. Seaward the gaze wanders over the wide expanse of Gaspé Bay which, twelve miles out, merges its waters with the tossing billows of the Gulf of St. Lawrence. Across the water lies the long low sand bars of Peninsula and Sandy Bay; farther south rises the stately Forillon Range with its lofty summit backed against the blue beyond and its long northern slopes carved out in trim, clean farmlands. To the east stretches the tapering promontory of Cape Gaspé, while to the north the eye ranges over a vista of mountain peaks, soft in forest coloring and reaching on and on until in the distance its dark fringe of tree-tops seems to reach the blue of heaven. Below, in the gently ruffled waters of the Basin, ships ride languidly at anchor in their sheltered haven. The scene in its brilliant profusion of coloring is one of quiet and restful

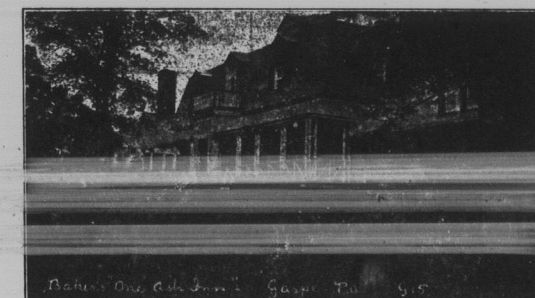


Early Evening at York Lake, Gaspé. Something the Visitors will long Remember

beauty which defies description and forever eludes the skill of the artists' brush. Perhaps in the tranquil eventide a gentle breeze freighted with a faint salt tang from the sea and the balsamic fragrance of the forest, fans the visitor's cheek and ushers in the nocturnal quiet of a balmy summer night. Above is the star-spangled dome of heaven, while the silver radiance of moonlight bathes the scene in beauty all its own. In the solemn stillness the drooping protestations of twittering bird voices come from the leafy boughs of the shade trees and hush the vacationist into a peaceful twilight reverie—an hour of delightful rest, which crowns the day's activities on river or lake or mountain trail.

BUSINESS WORRIES FORGOTTEN

In such surroundings and amidst such delightful holiday activities as those which crowd a summer visit to Gaspé, the vacationist's business worries are forgotten. The roll-top desk seems transformed to the stately form of York Mountain; the monotonous rattle of typewriter keys is changed to the rippling music of crystal brooks; the dolorous whine of street cars is forgotten in the murmur of sea-sweet breezes in the tree-tops; the incessant drone of the city's mechanical noises is replaced by the clear-throated songs of the birds and the spasmodic rumble of the elevated is substituted by the roar of the surf on the beach. The visitor enjoys the luxurious relaxation of a vacation at its best in a land of delightful climate where the only disturbing thought is a regret that holidays are made so short.



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