

drawn by six beautiful gray horses, and several coaches drawn by four, drive up to the station. Into these the tourists get, and up the mountain road the way is taken. In the last two miles you rise 800 feet, and then reach a beautiful plateau of four or five acres. Here the mammoth Hot Springs Hotel is located ; as you approach it in grand style, for the horses seem instinctively to have a desire to show off on their arrival, you hear music by a well-trained band, which always welcomes the guests and makes them feel quite at home from the outset. It is now about twelve o'clock, and as soon as the guests are ready dinner is taken. This magnificent hotel, 400 feet long, is beautifully located 6,397 feet above sea level, and all its surroundings are calculated to make you at ease and comfortable. To the left rises Mt. Evarts ; in front and a little to the right Brunsen's Peak, while to the right proper is Terrace Mountain, where you are likely to spend the afternoon of the day on which you arrive. It will occupy from two to three hours examining the Boiling Springs, arranged in a series of terraces on this elevation ; thirteen distinct terraces with over fifty hot springs, in an area of some 170 acres, are before you.

The deposits made by these springs build up the terraces, which consist of a series of basin-like structures, composed largely of carbonate of lime. Some of these basins are perfectly white, some of a rusty colour, others a salmon hue, while many possess a blending of colours impossible to describe or imitate.

The clearness of the boiling water they contain is marvellous. The borders of the basins present a most beautiful appearance, not only in their colour, but also in the complicated beaded structure they possess. In setting out from the hotel to make your examination of Terrace Mountain, the first object that catches your attention is Liberty Cap, an extinct hot spring or geyser cone, only a few yards from the hotel. It is fifty-two feet high and twenty in diameter at the base. A few yards from this is " Devil's Thumb," a conical-like structure in the hillside. You now begin to climb the hill and soon reach Minerva Terrace, a mass forty feet in height, covering nearly three-fourths of an acre.

The hot spring on its summit is about twenty feet in diameter. It is estimated that the rate of deposit in this spring is one-sixteenth of an inch in four days. Jupiter Terrace is the largest