their lofty sides, bluff cliffs overhanging the railway as it curves around their bases, in some places the front portion of the train is lost to sight from the rear, but finally the "Granite Notch" is reached, and the railway slips through a natural gap, fortunately left for its passage by Nature.



The Muskoka District—known as the "Highlands of Ontario"—has some 800 lakes of all sizes, from thirty miles in length to mere ponds, which, with their river connections, occupy no less than one-tenth of the surface. By means of the Muskoka and Nipissing Navigation Company, a fine line of steamers make connection with this interesting chain of lakes. Boats leave Muskoka

wharf for Bracebridge, Beaumaris, Port Carling, Windermere, Rossean, and intermediate places. There is a tri-weekly service to Bala and Rosseau Falls; daily to Clevelands, Gregory, Port Sandfield, Redwood, Craigie Lea, Port Cockburn, and semi-weekly to Judahaven, all of which

places are well worthy of a visit from the tourist, and where excellent sport can always be obtained.

At Gravenhurst and Bracebridge railway connections are made with trains of the Northern and North-Western Division of the Grand Trunk Railway. to Burk's Falls and other points; thence per steamer "Wenonah" on the Upper Magnetawan waters, and from Midland and Penetanguishene to Parry Sound, Byng Inlet, and French River. To facilitate travel, for business men. and others arrangements have been made for an interchange of tickets between Bracebridgeand Gravenhurst, and parties purchasing return tickets between these points have the choice of route, either rail or water.

Lake Muskoka is one of the largest of the lakes comprised under the generic term of the

"Lakes of Muskoka," being wenty-two miles long and nine miles wide, while it is studded with some 350 islands, and afforps splendid fishing.

Bracebridge, the chief town of the Muskoka district, and a station of the Norther and, North-Western Division of the Grand Trunk, is agreeably situated on the cliffs of the river Muskoka, and the neighbourhood M ac

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