

heartily relished by all. The afternoon was pretty well occupied with the unpacking of baggage and arranging of the tents, besides an occasional nap, which each one seemed to think they were entitled to. Callers began to come early and several were entertained that p. m. After a late tea we all sat down to talk it over and tell stories, and about eleven we prepared to spend our first night in "cushie" under canvas. This, with two or three exceptions was very pleasantly spent. It would be exceedingly tiresome to the reader to give each days proceedings in detail and it shall not be done, nothing further than enough to give an idea of how we spent our time. In the morning we would arise,—well, at different hours, varying from seven to nine. For breakfast we generally drank coffee which was prepared on a fire outside. Our milk we purchased from the farmers fresh every day; and from them we also got cultivated strawberries which were much relished.

When the tide was right for a bathe right merrily did all enjoy this much longed for pastime. Long walks were indulged in; sometimes on the seashore, sometimes through the green fields and shady woods. At times we would dig clams, which made delicious chowders; and when the tide was at its lowest we would search for that most delicious bivalve, the oyster. On several occasions we were successful in obtaining them and right well were they enjoyed. Then again we would attempt to deceive the "speckled beauties" with worms and false flies and although we did on one occasion capture a number, we were not what one would call very successful fishermen.

The afternoons and frequently the evenings were enjoyed by boat sailing, and many a delightful run we had over the briny depths. On such occasions all joined in singing some familiar song or hymn accompanied by the sweet music of the auto-harp which one of our number handled with considerable talent. And what is more beautiful than boat-sail-