

Near the middle it narrows to less than a quarter of a mile, and then widens out in the direction of its discharge by the Temiscamie river into the big lake, where it attains a width of nearly six miles.

The land on the west side is generally low and level and fairly well timbered with black and grey spruce.

The land on the east side rises gradually from the lake shore to an elevation of 300 feet or so, except near the upper end looking eastward, where the blue heads of mountains some ten or fifteen miles distant rise over a thousand feet above the level of the lake.

Some of the islands in this lake look like broken walls of cut stone; the layers are of equal thickness, lie nearly horizontal and are squarely broken in sections of nearly equal length.

Quartz veins containing beautiful crystals are seen at many points along the shore. I took several specimens, hoping to find some showing of gold, but failed to find any indication of the precious metal.

Some good looking slopes of land are seen here and there but, as before stated, climatic conditions may debar the hope of cultivating any part of this region.

All kinds of fish found in inland Labrador peninsula waters are found in abundance in this lake, with the exception of the ouananiche and sturgeon.

Grey trout from five to fifty pounds weight are here in inexhaustible quantities: speckled trout, *loré*, &c., are taken in quantities also.

Deer of every kind are scarce or I might say wanting in this region

One would naturally think that in a country like this where the choicest food for the moose and caribou is found in abundance, mossy barrens and rocky escarpments covered with lichens, &c. &c., and with scarcely a soul to every hundred square miles to disturb them, those animals should be found in herds, and still I did not see a single one, nor hardly any traces of their existence.

Mink, otter, lynx, marten and different other fur-bearing animals are plentiful here, and different kinds of duck and other waterfowl are also numerous.

The mean of different tests of the temperature of the water in this lake on the 16th September was 55° Fah. taken at depths of from 1 to