

indian or hunter ever trod) into Georgian Bay; but the four hundred islands set in these deep lakes, with rocky sides that plunge into the blue-black waters of Muskoka or the amber flood of Joseph or Rosseau, to a depth of hundreds of feet, and rise as high, crowned with white birch and maple, and the fringes of arbor vitae or white cedar, are wild enough for most "dwellers." You will run so close to these rocky walls as to be in their shadow at noon, and must do so sometimes to find a passage where the way seems shut in till the boat's bow points a course, and you can breathe the air of these rocky headlands, sitting at a comfort-laden table, with flowers and brusque napery and all the rest, and the blue or amber waves lapping the walls of your dining-room just outside the open windows.



On Lake Muskoka.

You will meet groups of college boys from New York State, all bronzed and sun-burned, and all bare-headed, men and boys sitting on the decks of the lake steamers, or canoeing among the islands of the Muskoka lakes, bare-headed, in the sun. The clear air of the mountain lakes, or something else, seems to render them proof against sunstroke in the hottest weather. On the docks at Muskoka Wharf, and in the thousand coves where the steamers put off and take on passengers, the August sun proves itself, but even when the lake lays still as a millpond as far as the eye can find a way among the islands, there is an invigorating freshness in the air.

There are no mosquitoes in Muskoka. The reason is plain; there are no lowlands. The waters are most tempting to real bathers and to the lovers of boating, fishing and swimming. Every cottage on the islands (and there are at least as many cottages as islands) has its sail, and canoes of birch and spruce abound.

The beautiful city of Toronto is the objective point for most of the extensive tourist travel that will go up into the "Highlands" during the season of 1905. Here are first-class hotels and restaurants, and all kinds of supplies for the angler, sportsman and camper.

The Queen's Hotel, an old-established house enjoying both an American and European reputation, is popular with