

# skoka



181. MUSKOKA LAKES

the other two may be easily reached. long and nine miles wide, contains numerous of those hotels and boarding houses of the summer visitor. There are many fishing is good, while canoeing, motor be freely indulged in.

Muskoka is at Bals, where the Muskoka falls, and continues its way through scenery down to Georgian Bay. By river for a few miles, the tourist will be fishing is good and the scenery among the whole Muskoka District. About two and a half miles the Moon River branches off, some twenty miles north of the Muskoka. From either river to the bay is one continuous.

Muskoka is at Port Carling, where the rivers flow in through the short stretch of water. This is the centre of the lakes, where many summer visitors congregate, whither

steamers and launches and all manner of craft converge, where the life of the lakes pulsates most strongly. All water-borne traffic between Lake Muskoka and Lakes Rosseau and Joseph must here pass through a lock, and the scene is frequently very lively and picturesque as steamers and launches, boats and canoes, crowd the approaches, awaiting their turn to be locked through.

Lake Rosseau, the first of the upper lakes, is fourteen miles long at its greatest length, and is perhaps to be regarded as the fairest of all the Muskoka Lakes. Its southern portion is fairly gemmed with islets, and here more summer cottages are to be found than in any other part of the lakes. This section of Lake Rosseau has not inappropriately been named "Venetia," for not in Venice itself are boats more needed or more used than here. All the way up the lake to the village of L. J.



MOON RIVER, NEAR BALS

