

At Cedar Island - Lake C hiching.

excellent grounds, and a flourishing tennis club, which are used all day long in summer. These clubs have been formed chiefly for the accommodation of visitors, and are a great addition to the attractions of Orillia.

The Fishing

Few places within the confines of civilization offer to the disciple of Isaak Walton so good opportunities for indulging in his favorite pastime as do the waters around Orillia. Lake Simcoe itself is in reality a great fish preserve and hatchery, as netting is strictly prohibited, and the number of fish that can be taken out of its teeming waters by rod and line is insignificant and makes no impression. First among the fish that are caught in these lakes should be mentioned the kingly maskinongé. These magnificent game fish are found both in Couchiching and Simcoe lakes and in the Severn river. They sometimes attain a weight of forty pounds, while fifteen and twenty pounds is not at all uncommon. To hook one of these monsters is to insure sport of a kind that will give the sportsman the keenest pleasure for the half-hour or so that it may take to land it, panting but still defiant, in his canoe, and will also afford gratification for many a day to come, to say nothing of furnishing material for a story