

erel and perch. The larger lakes are studded with rocky isles, varying in size from hundreds of acres in extent to small moss-grown rocky islets with one or more stunted specimens of pine. The darksome shores, densely wooded and fringed to the water's edge with pine, cedar and other evergreen, are still the haunt of deer, hare, grouse, porcupine, foxes and fur-bearing animals, while even yet, in the more solitary wilds, the lordly moose, the wolf and the black bear are still to be found.

Islands and points can be secured and summer cottages erected at small cost. The mean daily temperature for five years was about 66 degrees, while the thermometer seldom rises above 90 degrees or falls below 45 degrees.

The elevation of this region is about 1,000 feet above the sea, and this, combined with the rocky nature of the soil and the proximity of so many pine forests renders the climate remarkably healthful. There is no better place for neurasthenic patients and persons suffering from physical and mental overwork, or other debilitating influences. Convalescents do well under proper

medical management, many being entirely cured, while others meet with considerable improvement.

Leaving the Grand Trunk train



SHADOW RIVER, MUSKOKA.

on its arrival at Muskoka Wharf, the traveller is at once conveyed by one of the fine steamers to any required point on the lakes. The first stopping-place of importance is Beaumauris, about fourteen miles from Gravenhurst. For years past this has been a very attractive place, not only for Canadians but for visitors from the United States, and especially for Pennsylvanians.

Mortimer's Point is about equidistant from Beaumauris and Bala, and between this point and Bala there is probably the best bass and pickerel fishing on the three larger lakes. There are a large number of



RETURN FROM A DEER HUNT, MUSKOKA.