

bridge, further north, is worthy of note. In its immediate vicinity are High Falls and the Great South Falls, the most commanding feature in Muskoka's natural category. Beaumaris, near by, sports an elegant hotel and a bathing beach unexcelled on inland lakes. Utterson, fourteen miles from Bracebridge, is next reached, and within easy access is Mary Lake, one of the gems of Muskoka. Huntsville and Katrine, further on, to pleasure, sport or nature hold a key.

LAKE OF BAYS DISTRICT.

The region in the vicinity of Huntsville, Ont., has been well designated the "Switzerland of Ontario." Owing to the diversity of hill and dale, interspersed with innumerable lakes and bays, inlets and rivers, it makes up one of the most charming parts of Ontario to visit on a holiday trip. The village of Huntsville is situated 145 miles from Toronto, and is reached only by the lines of the GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY SYSTEM. At this point the railway connects with an admirable steamship service, which carries the tourist or sportsman up through the different lakes to Portage, where stage can be taken for the Lake of Bays, which is a mile distant over a good and picturesque roadway. Taking boat again here, a sail of twenty miles through the Lake of Bays, brings us to Baysville. The whole



On Peninsular Lake.

trip from Huntsville to Baysville or Dorset consumes but three hours, and the journey through the lovely scenery leaves a lasting impression upon the mind of the tourist and one which will be recalled many times in after days. The more prominent lakes in this district are Vernon, Fairy, Mary, Peninsula and Lake of Bays; these are all on the regular steamboat line, but there are many others more or less in extent which are in easy reach from any points at which the steamers call. The waters in these parts being in the granite region, are well stocked with salmon trout, speckled trout, white fish, bass and ling: all affording good sport with rod or troll. In the brooks, small streams and rivers, speckled trout abound, and a remarkably fine day's sport can be enjoyed at any time. The hunting is also very good, and among the game to be found, to the heart's content of the sportsman, may be mentioned deer, beaver, otter, duck, partridge and wild geese, all of which are found in abundance.

If the ideal of the pleasure-seeker is a camping life, fairy-like spots in secluded nooks among the woodland shores are waiting to

be taken possession of; for others whose tastes tend to the comforts enjoyed in hotel life, there are modern and well appointed hostels at several of the principal points at which the steamers touch.

For invalids and those suffering from weak lungs, malaria, or hay fever, this region is beyond compare. Being situated at an altitude of 1,000 feet above Lake Ontario the air is found to be most invigorating and pure and its efficacy is pronounced for cases of consumption and the ailments mentioned above. The waters of the lakes have also been found most beneficial for the relief of kidney diseases.

Good boating, bathing and fishing are also to be enjoyed at any of the resorts in this district. Full information as to routes, and more comprehensive descriptive matter can be had by applying to any agent of the GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY SYSTEM.

Twenty-five miles north of Huntsville is Katrine, also a junction point from which the Magnetawan river chain is easily accessible, and four miles beyond is Burk's Falls, where steamers of the Muskoka Navigation Co. can be taken. Sundridge, South River and Callander, all splendid fishing points, are next passed, and North Bay on Lake Nipissing is reached. From here the points of interest adjacent are easily accessible by boat or wagon, and to enumerate them would be an endless task. Suffice it to say that the sun does not shine on a more perfect combination of fun, hard work, fish, game and scenic pleasures than this diversified region has to offer, and all reached by the GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY SYSTEM.

PARRY SOUND

And the Parry Sound Archipelago.

The round trip, combining both the Georgian Bay and lakes of Muskoka, can be made in two directions, either via Midland or Penetang to Parry Sound and thence by rail to Maple Lake, and *stage 3 miles to Port Cockburn*, and from there by steamer through Muskoka Lakes to Gravenhurst, where connection is made with trains of the Grand Trunk Railway; or taking steamer at Gravenhurst, the tourist can go in the opposite direction and proceed by steamer from Parry Sound, connecting with train at Midland or Penetang, and thence south to Toronto or Hamilton.

A brief extract from an article in *The American Angler* will give an idea of the pleasure to be derived from a visit to this portion of the Dominion:—

"Thousands of devotees of the rod and reel are unaware of the splendid fishing which can be had in the regions north of Lake Ontario and east of Georgian Bay, everywhere traversed by the Grand Trunk Railway System. Nipissing and many other lakes lie upon this route, each noted for sport, first-class both as regards abundance and variety of fish in the streams. The Magnetawan and other rivers drain an immense territory, and as the country is only partially cleared and settled, every reach of water is alive with brook trout, while bass, pike, perch, maskinonge and other kinds are found in great plenty. Charges at hotels and for guides are cheap, and attention is given to sportsmen. The writer of this caught in the Magnetawan River, the latter part of July, *ninety-seven trout in a single afternoon*, the largest of which tipped the scales at two and a quarter pounds. There were no black flies or mosquitos, and poisonous snakes are unknown. Partridge and quail are almost as thick as blackbirds in a swamp, while deer and bear abound, and beaver, fox and other fur-bearing animals are plenty. The Grand Trunk Railway furnishes every accommodation to sportsmen who pass over their line. Conductors and trainmen are diligent and obliging, and taking all in all, a trip to the portion of Canada referred to can be depended upon to furnish solid enjoyment each day of twenty-four hours. The heat of summer has no terrors there."