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"Finally becoming tired of this kind of sport, and seeing a big knot in my anchor line which was unravelled into the appearance of a big ball of hair, it came at this and seizing it in its mouth proceeded to shake it savagely.

"Next it swam up along the rope to near the surface and taking the rope crosswise in its mouth, it began going sideways down along the line letting the rope slip through its mouth whenever it became taut till it had disappeared below."

So interested had I become in this unusual sight that I had completely forgotten my rod, otherwise I would have drawn up the bait and offered it to him while he was in sight.

### Pickford's Camps.


Special correspondence to MAINE WOODS.

RANGELEY, May 16, 1904.

H. E. Pickford informs us that the outlook for the coming summer is most encouraging. The advantage of these camps is being within one mile of Rangeley village and yet affording all the rustic surroundings and quiet features of backwoods camps is recognized by all who have given this place a trial. The culinary department is one in which Mr. Pickford takes especial interest, but a feature of the camps both inside and out is the rustic furniture and architect that is worked into the buildings.

George M. Keasby and family, who were at this place two years ago, will again be guests on July 1 and remain here throughout the summer. The party will consist of Mr. and Mrs. Keasby, Miss Bessie Keasby and Mr. McCarter, all of New York.

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"See what I caught today," said one of the members of party A to a member of party B during the etc. session as he navigated to the kitchen. He brought back a wonderfully beautiful, fat and unusual display of fish.

"Isn't that fine," said the party B member as his eyes bulged out like electric push buttons.

"Fzh," sarcastically remarked a second member of party B from a soft place amongst the chair legs.

Nevertheless the fish were duly admired and after the etc. session had informally dissolved and the members of party B were making easy work of a bad roll and thick fog on their way back to their camp they discussed them.

"He never caught those fish," said the bow lookout as he stumbled over a snag. "I'm going down to the hatchery today and prove it."

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### York's Camps.

A party from Phillips went to York's Camps, Rangeley, last Saturday. They were Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Kittridge, Mrs. Bartlett, Miss Nellie and Master Harry Bartlett, Mrs. W. A. D. Cragin and Miss Christine Cragin.

### To Rangeley Lake.

Mrs. Patridge, wife of Mr. E. E. Patridge of West Medford, Mass., who spent the summer months at their summer home on Rangeley lake has been quite ill lately, but she has so far recovered that she will accompany her husband to the Rangeleys at once.

on June 1 and remain the guests of Pickford's Camps the entire summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Isaac W. Pickford, the proprietor's father and mother, are coming this summer to make a visit. They have never been in this section and their arrival is naturally looked forward to by the proprietor with unusual pleasure.

Mrs. Clarke, sister of H. E. Pickford, will spend much of the summer here with her son, Howard.

If the foregoing plans mature it is evident that Pickford's Camps will be a scene of life and activity during the entire summer.

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They Have Opened Business For Season on Rangeley Lake.

Special correspondence to MAINE WOODS.  
RANGELEY, May 17, 1904.

The Rangeley Lake House opened for business last Saturday and as the house is in order for guests and a number of the employees of the house are there, it has an appearance quite like summer. Mrs. J. B. Marble, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Burrows and Mr. Charles Lincoln, the head clerk, arrived last week.

Late arrivals:  
Charles K. Abbott, N. Y. City; Dr. Farrar Cobb, L. A. Miller, Boston; W. J. Morris, Jr., Minneapolis; W. Sanford, Dover; J. C. W. Perry, R. E. Dewey, Portland; A. R. Knight, Lewiston; C. K. Barker, W. H. Tibbetts, Auburn.

WHORFF'S CAMPS.

They Are Open For Business at Dead River Pond.

A Guest Tells What He Has Seen at This Popular Resort.

[Special correspondence to Maine Woods.]  
RANGELEY, May 16, 1904.

The ice went out May 8 and fishing has been good ever since the ice left the pond.

One party in two hours caught 23 trout, running from 1/2 to 2 1/2 pounds.

The Camps are all in first-class shape and by the inquiries for accommodations it looks like a busy season.

Have seen in two days three deer, two beaver, six black ducks, 12 sea gulls, two muskrats and a number of partridges, so I think there must be all kinds of game at this place in their season.

People Who Have Fished at Clear Water.

Special correspondence to MAINE WOODS.  
ALLEN'S MILLS, May 18, 1904.

Capt. Andrew Lynch of Lowell, Mass., has come for the season. All are glad to see him again.

Miss Ella Drew of Boston returned this week after spending three weeks in camp. Miss Drew liked camp life so well that she will return in the fall.

Mr. E. G. Gay sprained his knee a few days ago and is still very lame.

Capt. Lynch landed a lake trout weighing 4 1/2 pounds.

J. C. Higgins also landed a salmon that weighed 5 pounds.

Dr. Merrill landed a salmon that tipped the scales at 6 1/2 pounds. He also played another fish, as he thought, for nearly an hour, but it was nothing but the limb of a floating tree.

Miss Ella Drew caught and landed a 7-pound salmon.

Late arrivals:

S. F. Clark, C. F. Tholts, Geo. S. McKenney, H. W. Garvin, H. M. Shaw, A. P. Dunham, W. W. Duffett, Jr., G. D. Ordway, Portland; Miss Drew, Mrs. L. M. Peabody, Miss Hattie Ranney, Arthur Burke, C. H. Gifford, John S. Phelps, Geo. H. Lowe, F. L. Roberts, W. D. Davis, Heber Bishop, Boston; E. Stern Wheeler, Saugatuck, Conn.; S. H. Talbot, Cambridge; C. B. Beardsley, Newark; J. M. Grosvenor, Jr., G. H. Andrews, F. B. Stratton, M. E. Niles, C. H. Haskell, Swampscott, Mass.; E. W. Babson, M. D. Gloucester; Capt. A. Lynch, Lowell; T. J. Mahan, Rosindale; Herbert Mitchell, Needham; L. Atwood and wife, Philadelphia.

MOUNTAIN VIEW.

The Damon Party Are Having Good Luck With the Fish.

The Veteran W. H. Clarke of Watertown Arrives.

Special correspondence to Maine Woods.  
MOUNTAIN VIEW, May 17, 1904.

Mr. M. B. Damon and party of Fitchburg, Mass., have had very good luck indeed. They caught a 6 1/2-pound trout, also a 7 pound salmon, and three salmon that weighed over 8 pounds each. The party, besides Mr. Damon, are James Prince of Boston, F. I. Nichols of Fitchburg and W. H. Leonard of Boston. They are occupying the large camp and they have for guides Al Sprague, Cliff McKenney, Frank Porter and Jim Wilcox.

Dr. Farrar Cobb and L. A. Miller of Boston are occupying the second camp. Herrick and Nile are guiding them. Mr. Miller will remain until October 1st and Herrick will guide him all summer. The party went to Quimby pond this afternoon and caught over a hundred trout that weighed from 1/2 to 1 pound each.

Charles Reid of Worcester has been here about a month with Eben Hinkley for guide.

The veteran, W. H. Clarke of Watertown arrives Thursday of this week. This season makes thirty years that David Haines has guided Mr. Clarke and they always get some record fish.

T. L. Harlow of Gardiner and Mr. Cowee are due here Friday of this week. Reuben Wilbur and Frank Harris will guide them. They will be here for two or three weeks. Late arrivals follow:

J. H. Prince, Boston; M. B. Damon, Fitchburg; Robt. Arnault, Canton; G. C. O'Brien, Wilmington, Del.; C. E. McDonald, Boston; C. O. Hayford, Hanover; C. E. Lewis, Rumford Falls; N. R. Carr, Rangeley; C. B. Reynolds, John Towne, Portland; W. H. Leonard, Boston; J. Q. Nichols, Fitchburg; L. A. Miller, Farrar Cobb, E. G. Reynolds, Boston; C. E. Boynton, H. I. Cole, J. S. Frooks, W. B. Darton, Portland; A. E. Baker, Lewiston; E. Gibbons, Portland.

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Exhibits by the Grand Trunk and Intercolonial.

Special correspondence to MAINE WOODS.  
HAINES LANDING, May 17, 1904.

Capt. J. Waldo Nash, the popular taxidermist of Norway, has opened his store on the midway between the Mooselookmeguntic House and the Mountain View House. The opening was last night and according to all reports it was a success. Capt. Nash reports that the prospect for business from his view point is most excellent. During the past year he mounted all of the fish and game for the Grand Trunk railroad exhibit at the World's fair; he furnished all of the fish and game for the Grand Trunk exhibit at the Sportsmen's show in New York this year. He mounted all of the fish for the Intercolonial railway exhibit at the World's fair. The advertising agent of the Intercolonial, Mr. W. L. Creighton, was so well pleased with the work by Mr. Nash that he had the exhibit entered in Mr. Nash's name for the gold medal for fish mounting.

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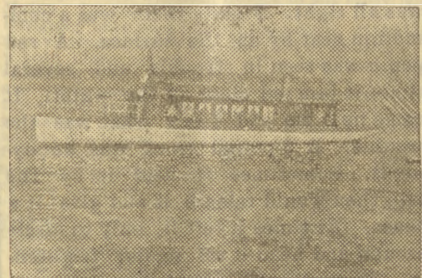
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Special correspondence to MAINE WOODS.

MOOSELOOKMEGUNTIC HOUSE, HAINES LANDING, May 18, 1904.

Tuesday, May 10th, when the ice separated itself and began to play from shore to shore and Landlord Theodore L. Page threw wide the doors of the Mooselookmeguntic House and Camps, there were many glad hearted sportsmen who were in readiness with rod and reel, some of which were already at the landing, while others were waiting at their respective homes.

The first of the spring fishing bids fair to be equal to that of the past, as there are being landed many beautiful trout and salmon.

Mr. Willard Nye, Jr., the well-known sportsman of New Bedford, Mass., who has been a regular visitor for so many years, was the first to land a fish this year at Haines Landing. He landed a Thursday, May 15, and it was a beautiful trout that weighed between 3 and 4 pounds. Since that date Mr. Nye has secured trout and salmon that ran from 3 1/2 to 7 1/2 pounds each, the largest a salmon.

The house is fast filling with wide awake sportsmen who are arriving on every train in order to get the benefit of the good spring fishing, some of which have already made good records. Among these is the Marble party who are regular spring visitors, the Mabbitt party of Plymouth, Mass., Mr. and Mrs. Seth L. Larrabee of Portland, Mr. Frank Ridlon of Boston, Mr. James N. Wells of New York City, Hon. F. E. Timberlake of Phillips and Hon. Chas. E. Oak of Caribou.

The following catches have been recorded:

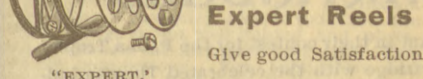
Mr. Willard Nye, Jr., five fish, 3 1/2 to 7 1/2 pounds each.  
Hon. F. E. Timberlake, two trout, 3 to 3 1/2 pounds each and one 5-pound salmon.

Mr. Frederick Skinner, the old reliable sportsman of Massachusetts, whose record no one ever learns only by chance landed a beautiful 7 1/2-pound salmon which put up the greatest fight of the season.

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Mr. and Mrs. Seth L. Larrabee of Portland, who pay many a visit during the season, are here for a few days. They are expected to make a big addition to the fish record as they are both among our most scientific fishermen and their names appear very conspicuously on the record of past seasons.

Our many patrons will find this year many additions, changes and improvements, among which is the addition of a new guides' quarters some distance from the hotel just opposite the taxidermist, Nash of Maine. The hotel has been newly painted and papered, with new fireplaces in the office and parlor, the one in the office being of ancient finish, while the parlor is of a regular brick finish.

The office has been papered with a baby blue paper with a light olive background and a light and almost plain ceiling.

Another change, which will no doubt prove very noticeable, is the change of men waiters to that of girls in the dining room. Paul Chase, the old colored waiter who has been with Mr. Page more than 20 years, will be in charge of the dining room as usual.

A. A. Hancock, who has been associated with Mr. Page in the House restaurant at Washington, D. C., will act as chief clerk with J. S. Jones as assistant clerk and head bellman as usual.

The management of the Mooselookmeguntic House is looking forward to and preparing for a busy season as the House book is being rapidly filled. Quite a number of the regular patrons have engaged their old rooms and camps while a vast number of new people have also engaged accommodations for the spring and summer.

While making improvements and changes the livery stable hasn't in the least been forgotten nor neglected. There will be several new horses and vehicles added, among which are a pair of beautiful black of medium size spirited animals which will be very much appreciated, especially by the summer guests.

Nash of Maine, the noted taxidermist of Norway and Haines Landing, has arrived and is now prepared to accommodate his many friends in first-class style.

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Won 3rd amateur average at Trenton, N. J., April 23rd, Mr. Wm. M. Foord, 154 out of 165.

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Around the Lakes.

Special correspondence to Maine Woods.  
RANGELEY, May 16, 1904.

The first arrivals at The Birches came on Saturday and were six gentlemen and two ladies. At Upper Dam there were a company of 29 that came on the same date.

The fishing is starting in quite modest at first though no one as yet has given it a fair trial. Willard Nye got a 7 1/2-pound salmon at Haines Landing on Friday and another weighing 3 1/2 pounds. Sunday forenoon there were several fish caught at The Birches, the largest weighing 2 pounds, 9 ounces.

Bemis has the usual delegation of wharf fishermen and they are getting a great many small trout and salmon. Bemis is a great place for small fish in the early spring owing to the stream that comes in there, also the large number of logs that no doubt attracts them.

This summer there are two new steamers on the Big Lake, both hailing from Upper Dam. One is 78 feet long and a fast runner, the other is much smaller and is run by one man.

The big lake is rising about six inches in a day but as yet lacks four feet of being full. The lumber company has not yet sluiced any logs through Upper dam though two booms have been taken there from above.

The Richardson lake is very low yet. It is reported that nine feet of water will have to be added to its present level before logs can be passed through it.

The middle dam has been open much of the time this spring to supply the mills on the Andruscoggin which has kept the lake low to the present time. It is difficult to understand how the lakes can be filled without interrupting the log driving unless there are some very heavy rainfalls in the near future.

D. E. HEYWOOD.

Portage Lake Camps.

Special correspondence to Maine Woods.  
PORTAGE, May 15, 1904.

Oak Point Camps, Portage Lake, Maine, opened for the season, May 14. Guests who spent several days at the camps were: T. J. Stevens, Portland, and Frank Carpenter, Houlton, guide, Herbert Murphy. They were rewarded with a string of very fine trout. J. H. Haynes of Bangor, with Will Porter guide, first day out landed 10 pounds of fine large trout, one weighing 4 1/2 pounds.

Other guests were: O. A. Shepard, Lackville, Mass.; Dr. F. O. Orcutt, Ashland; S. S. Thornton, Esq., J. W. Loane, Miss Margaret Brewer, L. S. Coffin, Chester Richardson, Hugh Hayward, H. S. Brown, Ashland, also Guide Tom Porter and Leonard Brown. Conductor J. H. Elder and son of the B. & A. railroad were at the Camps on Sunday, May 15. All were well pleased with the first catch of the season at Portage and the outlook for plenty of good fishing at these favorite camps never seemed any brighter than it does this season.



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## BEMIS TROUT AND SALMON.

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Luck of Anglers This Spring From Several States.

Special correspondence to MAINE WOODS.

BEMIS, May 14, 1904.

Although we have had plenty of rain, including yesterday and today, the weather in general since the ice left Mooselookmeguntic lake last Tuesday has been very good. The warm weather has made the fish bite and as a consequence our visitors have all been happy. There is a good deal of fishing being done from the wharf as usual and as usual quite a number of small fish and



A RECORD SALMON AT CLEAR WATER CAMPS, ALLENS MILLS, ME.

occasionally a large one have been taken. W. W. Small, clerk for Capt. Barker at Bemis, informs MAINE WOODS that the fishing opened up this spring particularly well for the early sportsman and he says Bemis has had an excellent business up to this time. There have been parties here from several states and all who worked for fish have been well satisfied.

Among the first parties were Mr. D. E. Adams of Boston and Col. Chaffee of Willimantic, both interested in silk manufacture. They had good success, catching quite a number of trout and a few salmon. Some of their fish weighed from 3 to 5 pounds each.

Mr. Peter McIntyre, a Connecticut man, has finished his first visit to the Rangeleys. He was very favorably impressed and he had very good success.

Messrs. Cummings and Ruddy of Boston, who have been fishing with George Storer, guide, are well satisfied. They have a 5-pound salmon to their credit.

Dr. Dunn and J. R. Libby of Portland have been here, with Russ Spinney, guide. Their record fish was a trout, taken from the wharf that weighed 5 pounds and 7 ounces.

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The Whitmore party of six from Brunswick caught plenty of fish, principally trout. Some of them weighed from 3 to 4½ pounds each.

Senator Plummer and Dr. Dunn of Lisbon Falls have been fishing, with Bob Martin, guide, and got some that weighed 4 and 5 pounds.

Mr. L. S. Parsons, transportation manager for the International Paper company, and his friend, Mr. Crowell, traffic manager for a western railroad, got a good string of fish, with Paul Stratton, guide.

Wilson and Burgess of Fairfield, with Paul Stratton, guide, got a trout that weighed 5 pounds.

P. D. Clark the Rumford Falls machinist, and his friend got some that weighed from 3 to 4 pounds each.

A. E. Stearns, Esq., Dr. McCarty, W. P. McDonald, druggist, and Wallace Mason, all of Rumford Falls, got plenty of fish of fair size, but no big ones.

Among other late visitors here were Dr. R. E. Daintree and wife and maid of Lewiston and Joseph Chute and wife of Portland.

Capt. Barker has two boats on the lake now, viz., the Wm. P. Frye and the Metalluc, and he will have the Florence on before we go to press. He started in this morning to make regular trips each morning. One starts from The Barker and one from The Birches in season to catch the early train. The one that starts from The Birches calls at Upper Dam. Next is a round trip from Bemis at 8 o'clock, touching Upper Dam, The Birches and all points on the lake, returning to Bemis at 11.30. She leaves Bemis in the afternoon at 2 o'clock for another round trip and returns to Bemis at 5.30 for the night. Two boats meet the through train that arrives at Bemis at 5.55. They start as soon as loaded; one goes to Upper Dam and The Birches, where it stays over night; the other goes to Haines Landing and stays at The Barker over night. The regular crews on Barker's two regular boats will be made up about as follows: Florence Barker—Nate Barrett, captain; Chas. Merrill, engineer. The Frye—Chas. Lord, captain; Ed Rector, engineer. Capt. Barker has done a large amount of work on the Frye and on the Florence. He has given the Florence a new overhang and put the boat in good shape throughout.

## At The Birches.

Ira Hubbard, who has been at The Birches for several years past, has charge there again. There are quite a number of guests here now and more expected this week. Tim Scannell, the chef, is also back again.

## At The Barker.

Mr. and Mrs. Packard will run The Barker again this season. There were about a dozen people here over Sunday and there are a few here now. They are J. R. Libby, B. F. Dunn, M. D., Portland; C. M. Gunther, Indianapolis; E. J. Ham, F. W. Stock, Jr., Lewiston; H. B. Marsh, C. E. Cummings, W. O. Field, Dixfield; H. G. Thayer, A. L. Prince, F. M. Kidder, N. N. Thayer and wife, Boston.

The Dixfield party got a 5-pounder and two of 3 pounds each.

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## Tufts Pond.

Special correspondence to MAINE WOODS.  
KINGFIELD, May 18, 1904.

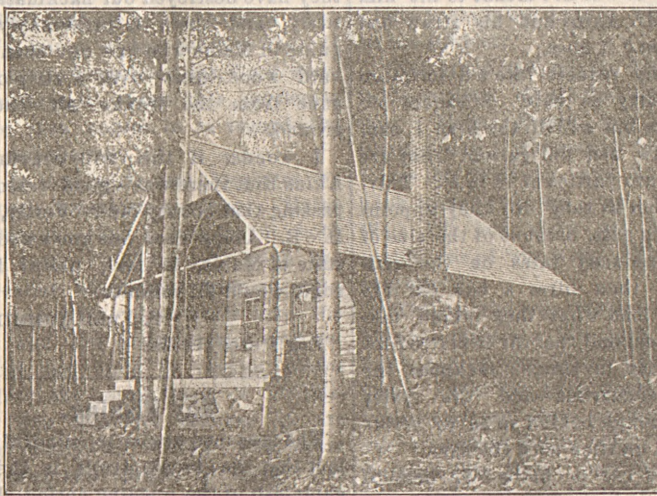
The fishermen have been busy at Tufts pond this week and some fine catches have been made. Parties have been here nearly every day this week and we have yet to learn of any who have been disappointed with their luck.

## CHESTERVILLE FISHERMEN.

Flying Pond Coming to the Front  
For Summer Recreation.

Special correspondence to MAINE WOODS.  
CHESTERVILLE, May 16, 1904.

Fishermen are doing something these days. C. W. Robbins, Fred Cramp and Justus Wells have made good catches at Wilson lake and Mrs. A. S. Gill caught a good landlocked salmon at Flying pond in Vienna one day last week. By the way, it is not generally known that Flying pond is one of the best and most picturesque places in the state of Maine for summer recreation. The extreme depth of the pond is just right for big fish and the many islands and well wooded and rocky shores make it a desirable spot for the cottager. Mr. Harry Russ of Mt. Vernon has a fine large cottage there and others are contemplating Flying pond for a summer home.



THE BUNGELOW, AT CLEAR WATER CAMPS, ALLENS MILLS, ME.

The best catch of the week was made by Ralph Butts and John Lander, who took 12 trout and salmon weighing over 10 pounds. The catch included a 2½ pound trout and a 2-pound salmon, the weight after being dressed.

Frank Collins took a fine string of trout from the pond, the largest of which weighed 1½ pounds.

Rev. A. E. Saunders and son, Robert, fished here on Friday, taking 12 good sized fish.

H. G. Winter was here on Friday to paint his boats and get ready for the season and incidentally caught five nice trout.

Earle G. Larrabee and L. F. Lane caught a string of 19 trout one day recently.

On Tuesday Perley Morrill took a 3 pound trout which was a beauty.

E. F. Goss fished the pond on Thursday, taking 19 nice trout.

Bert Dolbier was one of the lucky fishermen here this week, taking a 5½ pound salmon.

Mr. Ernest Whittier of Vienna is making a canvass for funds, which is being heartily responded to, for screening the pond. This being done Flying pond, which already contains lots of big fish, will soon be a spot to gladden the heart of the most fastidious sportsman.

A. S. GILL.

## Strong Sporting.

Special correspondence to Maine Woods.  
STRONG, May 17, 1904.

L. C. Holden of Gorham, Me., with R. S. Johnson, guide, fished at Day pond one day last week and took seven beauties. Mr. Holden considered this a pretty fair catch for a few hours' catch.

Hammond Richardson of Strong fished on the Valley brook Saturday, catching 18 trout.

H. S. Spear of New Portland and W. H. Cornish of Iowa City, Iowa are spending a few days at Hancock trying the fishing there.

Finally remember that "a bird in the hand is worth two in the bush" and this man may never come your way again. Soak him for all their is in it.

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### FISHING PROSPECTS.

#### Reports From Camps In Many Places Where Sportsmen Go.

The ice went out of Heald pond on the 9th. Fishing is good and weather fine. We get all the fish we need right off the wharf at camps. Prospects never were better for fish. They are rising to a fly already. Trout run from 1½ pound to 4½ pounds; salmon from 1½ to 5 pounds. Henry Hughey.

Heald Pond Camps, Jackman, Me.

The prospect for fishing is good. The law will be off the 20th and the prospect is very encouraging for a camp full of guests. Every room is taken from the 15th of July until the last of September. We open the 18th with quite a number of rooms taken. H. C. Calem, Prop., Camp Diamond, via Colebrook, N. H.

The spring fishing is not as good as in years past, caused by poor protection of fish and some other causes. Business is very good, but not as good as common. L. R. Oliver, Casco, Me.

The ice left Grand lake May 5 and the salmon fishing begun directly; some good catches being made the next day. The prospects are good for a prosperous business this season and the hard winter will tend to make the fish more lively. Frank H. Ball, White House and Camps, Grand Lake Stream, Me.

There is some good trout fishing here, also lots of pickerel and perch in the Mattawamkeag lake. This lake is eight by four miles and Andrew Byron has a good sporting camp at the foot of the lake. The lake is two miles from the Bangor & Aroostook station on the main road. The camps are open the year round. Andrew Byron, Lucky Strike Camps, Island Falls, Me.

Fishing is somewhat late this spring but will be on full blast by Victoria day—May 24. Our big holiday prospects are very good. Business in general is very good, hotel business fine. L. V. Dion, St. Louis Hotel, Quebec, Can.

A. F. Arbo of Brownville writes: "I think the prospects are very good for spring fishing. The trout are biting now in the brooks and the bass in the ponds. At Ebeeme pond and in Pleasant river we always have good trout fishing early. In the ponds we have perch, pickerel and bass. Bass, 6 and 7 and pickerel, 6 and 8 pounds.

Word comes from the Hills de Camps, Mercer, that Great pond was clear from ice May 4, nearly a month later than last season. Good trout fishing has begun and some fine catches have been made. The Hillside Camps are ready to rent, one elegant log cabin and other camps all furnished to accommodate half a dozen. J. H. Littlefield is proprietor of these Camps.

Ice was very late in going out, practically all clear the 5th. Some fish were taken previous to this date. First party at Ouananiche Lodge, Saturday, the 7th; first at Sunset Camp, Monday, the 9th. At the writing of this, the 10th, we have 20 guests. All had excellent fishing and one gentleman came in with a catch of 13. Others all report good catches. Prospects excellent; every thing full. W. G. Rose, Ouananiche Lodge and Sunset Camps, Grand Lake Stream, Me.

At North East Carry the fishing is very good. Chas. L. Ray is proprietor of the Winnegarnock Hotel there.

#### Articles and Pictures.

MAINE WOODS readers are requested to contribute items and articles about their experiences in the woods for publication in MAINE WOODS and those who have photographs to go with the stories should send them.

J. W. BRACKETT.

Phillips, Jan. 11, 1903.

### STRAW BED DELEGATION.

#### Registered Guide's Views on the License Law.

GUERETTE, May 4, 1904.

To the Editor of Maine Woods:

I recently returned from the south, where I have been spending the winter, and yesterday while reading over back numbers of the MAINE WOODS I found in your issue of March 4 an article by H. B. Akins entitled, "More Views Regarding the License Law," and while I am a little late, still "better late than never," to give my opinion of the license law and of Mr. Akins's article.

Our license law has proven itself to be a greater success than the most enthusiastic advocates imagined and as twenty-five other states in the Union charge a license fee to nonresidents, ranging from \$10 to \$40 and considering the fact that we have better hunting in Maine than is to be found in any other section of the United States, we most certainly are entitled to the \$15. The game is now entirely self supporting and a little more than that, meaning by this statement that it pays the wardens for protecting the fish as well as the game, thereby leaving the \$25,000 which the state so generously appropriates to be expended for the propagation of fish, etc., for which, of course, it is very badly needed. This gives us a protective system on which it is almost impossible to improve. The amount of poaching is now reduced to a minimum, which is proven by the fact that last winter in all of northern Maine there is evidence of the illegal killing of but one moose. What better protection can we possibly

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sate us for the amount of our game they have killed, they have left an invalid guide and a bad taste in our mouths.

The cure: The question of how to get rid of these pestilential bums was discussed in all ways and shapes for years. The constitution of the United States was against our legislating on them in particular, but something had to be done, and at last the happy thought came—a nonresident license law and compulsory guide hire.

True sportsmen understand just why these laws were passed. It is therefore, unnecessary to apologize to them. It is also unnecessary to put before an intelligent public a contradiction to Mr. Akins's statement that "Maine derives no benefit from the money left within its borders by nonresident sportsmen." In the remainder of Mr. Akins's article there is one good idea, viz., "not to allow any taxidermist to leave the railroad." This will prevent the straw bed delegation from killing a moose before open time and taking nothing but the head, hide and feet. They are the ones who do this and not our guides.

The remainder of Mr. Akins's article is not worth the reading, to say nothing of answering it, but before I leave him I will give him a lesson on moose and porcupine and their relative forest destroy ing propensities, on which subject he



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ask? We can well afford to lose one moose as the September hunting in New Brunswick drives over to us at least 100 every season.

All desirable sportsmen are satisfied with Maine laws as they now stand but Mr. Akins, it seems, is not. He objects to being compelled to hire a guide.

It is certainly an outrage to pass laws to compel any sportsman to hire a guide but with such a man, such a law is unnecessary. It was not meant to hit him but to hit Mr. Akins and his straw bed delegation and it does.

Would my readers like a description of such a party as this? I cannot do them justice but will do the best I can.

The straw bed delegation: They are organized into parties of 15 to 30. Traveling together as they do, they appoint a leader who gets, because of the size of his party, reduced rates on the railroads. He then hires a box car into which they load what they intend taking with them and the car is started for its destination in Maine—Jackman, the favorite rendezvous—and the party starts far enough behind so as to arrive there about on time with the car.

When this car is unloaded, behold! You find tents, tent stoves, bedding—even the straw beds, already filled—(hence the name straw bed delegation) ammunition and firearms sufficient to supply the U. S. army, clothing for all kinds of weather from 90 in the shade to 40 below zero, a medicine chest that would fill a country drug store (not forgetting the liquid hilarity) and every conceivable thing in the way of eatables, except fresh meat which, of course, they get from the forests of Maine. They hire the cheapest team they can get to haul them to some convenient camping spot where deer are plentiful, and they are plentiful everywhere in that part of the state. They hire one guide for the whole party and if he is fool enough to allow such a thing, work him until he is nothing but eyeballs and pants buttons.

They stay in the woods three to six weeks during which time they have all the venison loins and hams they need and when it is time for them to return to the "freight car" they take out two buck deer each, and with our five wardens for the entire state of Maine it was impossible to prevent this, (all of which, of course, happened before our present license law was passed) and to compen-

seems to be badly in want of enlightenment. 'Tis very true that our moose will peel more bark than all the porcupines in Maine; that is the cows peel, the bulls break willows, moose wood and second growth fir but they never harm big trees that can be used for marketable lumber, while it is a very well-known fact by men who passed the porcupine bounty law that porcupines will peel hemlock from top to bottom, that they have destroyed our hackmatack entirely, and there is presumably not a guide in Maine who has not seen large hard wood trees with a strip of bark gone from the trunks all the way around.

I wonder if this will convince Mr. Akins that there was a good reason for passing that bounty law? Verily, what H. B. Akins does not know about the state of Maine, in real, useful knowledge, would fill volumes.

S. FRED CUMMINGS.  
Registered Guide.

#### May Fishing.

The seasoned angler is mindful of the fact that the brook trout is the first game fish of the opening spring days to inspire an outing. The black bass legal season in most of the states does not open until June 1, in several not until the middle of the month and in others not until July. The salmon can be taken legally at Bangor, Me., in April, also in the Canadian provinces, but plethoric pocketbooks and plenty of leisure are necessary to indulge in fishing for them.

Of the other fresh water game fishes, the pike, pickerel and muskalonge can legally be captured from May 1, except in Pennsylvania and in the state of Washington, where the season opens on July 1. In Canada they can be taken everywhere in June except in Quebec, where the legal season does not open until July 1, although fishing for them is permitted up to May 15 of each year.—Outing.

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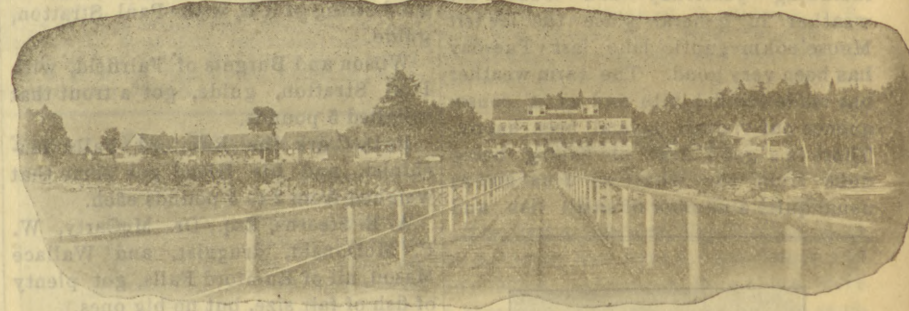
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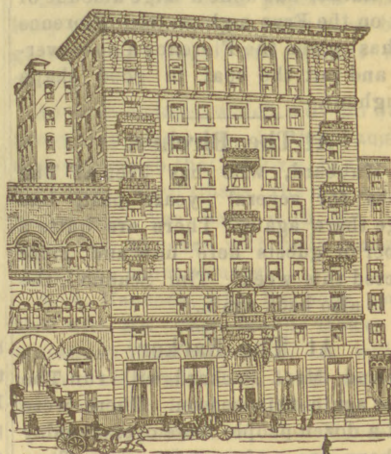
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## TRAPS AND TRAPPERS.

## Mice.

I thought I had done my duty here with every animal that I was familiar with but here is one that was so very close to me that I had overlooked it.

Every trapper is interested in mice. If he is not they will demand attention so frequently that he will be compelled to take up their case and make a study of it.

The most interesting of these little creatures is the common deer mouse—a rather large and long-legged specie with white feet and belly. These mice seem to know a good thing when they find it. They are numerous everywhere both out of doors and in the camps and houses. They are known by such local names as house mouse, woods mouse, prairie mouse, mountain mouse and I may even add water mouse as they are good swimmers and are often found crossing lakes far from land.

I have stated that they know a good thing when they find it. I may add that they are extremely charitable and when they have found a good thing they always invite their friends to come and share it with them. I think I can vouch for as many as 50 being present at a conclave of this kind.

Deer mice have a great faculty of arriving at an appointed place which few other animals can boast of. If there is a board partition in the way they simply gnaw a hole through it. They are all trained acrobats and a feat like walking a wire stretched across a room is simple indeed for them. Articles of food may be suspended from the ceiling by a cord or wire, but they will drop on it from above or leap to it from the wall or floor as well as if it had been left on the table.

Their nest is made from cotton abstracted from comforters and lined with feathers from pillows. They have been known to try to get hair from the head of a sleeper but this has usually been unsuccessful for obvious reasons.

These mice are quite active. I once tried to get a flashlight photograph of one in a plate eating from a biscuit, but though I had hard work to keep him out of the camera while I was arranging it, I was unable to get more than a streak across the plate and the light is claimed to explode in one-tenth of a second.

They seldom show up in daylight, night being their time for business. In this is exemplified the fact that they are children of darkness.

The young are about as large as big

beans and are naked, transparent and blind. It is shameful to disturb a family of this kind. I have seen a mother run away with the whole family hanging to her teats even when their total weight was more than equal to her own. I suppose a Chinaman would take a different point of view of a matter of this kind.

They do not seem to put much trust in Providence for they always lay aside a large storehouse of provisions of the choicest kind for winter use and build comfortable and dry quarters.

These little fellows afford a kindergarten school for trappers. They are not difficult to catch and are "not afraid of human scent" as the above implies. The great advantage is that the trapper can sit down and in less than three minutes see just how his trap works. This, of course applies to an old camp when they are well baited. The figure four or deadfall is the most common kind of trap and the most easily prepared.

The greatest trouble with these traps is that it takes too much time to set them. A trapper is liable to have to get up half a dozen times in a night to set the trap and this is tedious. A box with a hole in it and several sharp pins thrust through the wood around the hole the points inside the box makes a good trap, when baited. The mice will have little difficulty in getting inside but when they attempt to come out they will be hindered from doing so by the pin points. Several can be caught alive in this way in one night. A cigar box makes a good trap while it lasts.

It is very amusing to see a mouse jump onto a sheet of tanglefoot fly paper. The best way to rid a camp of mice is by the use of Rough on Rats. I have used strychnine without much benefit. Perhaps they do not like the taste of it and so reject each little ker-

## LOVE AND THE WOODS.

## About Forty Pound Lakers and Snap Shots at Game.

## Trout of a New Breed Inhabit Streams In Weld.

New YORK, May 18, 1904.

To the Editor of Maine Woods:

I attended a lecture the other evening—a weird sort of an affair—held in a fashionable residence on a street facing Central park. The hostess, I understand, was a disciple of the late Madame Blavatsky. She counts among her friends several of the more powerful Indian Rajahs. The lecturer was a young man of austere appearance who has studied among the adepts of India and who is just now a sort of popular fad among a coterie of fashionables—mostly women—who listen to his philosophical disquisitions with awed attention.

"But what on earth," you will ask, "has all this to do with the woods and the wild things and hunting and fishing and all the rest of it that the readers of MAINE WOODS expect to be informed about?"

Well, just this: On this particular evening the lecturer plunged head first into a philosophical analysis of love. I'm not going to attempt to repeat all he had to say on this subject. Not I. I don't know anything about "cosmic harmony" and "elective affinities" and esoteric what d' you call 'ems. But my ascetic philosopher turned loose on one topic that almost put my thinking apparatus out of gear.

He sought to demonstrate that a man could love two women at one and the same time. Conversely that a woman could do likewise with two men. I'm

office last Saturday morning and went to his country home in Westchester county, about 35 minutes by rail from the Grand Central depot. He has a trout stream just back of his place and as the result of two hours' fishing exhibited a string of 25 brook trout.

A small lake, adjacent, abounds in black bass and pickerel. He says he can bag a dozen quail most any fall morning and he wants to know what the Dickens I want to travel a thousand miles for when I can have just as much fun for 70 cents.

Can anyone explain the exhilaration one feels in simply being far aloof from the madding crowd? I'd rather spend a month in the backwoods of Maine or Canada if I never caught a fish or sight of a deer. The grand old trees and the sombre, silent forest; the melancholy hoot of the owl on the still, night air; the cry of the loon and all the murmurings and mysterious sound harmonies of a great forest appeal to me as nothing else on earth can.

To fish in a "preserved" stream and then return to the hotel or one's home in an automobile perchance and evening dress and starched clothes and everlasting gossip and invidious personalities. Bah! It is the campfire of blazing logs under the stars, the odor of frying bacon, the careless freedom and the invigorating air to say nothing of one's appetite under such conditions. When I own a "preserve" I want at least a million acres.

My veracious friend, Fred Drew, proprietor of The Maples on Webb lake, is at it again. He has lately been elected to the presidency of the A. O. A. (Ancient Order Ananias.) But perhaps I wrong him. His yarns may all be true. He believes them himself at any rate.

He has a new variety of trout inhabiting the streams tributary to Webb lake.

on. Well, the beast got away before I could get a shot at him.

"I thought maybe I had malaria. I hated to think about it at all. I went to a circus in Boston last winter and in a cage marked 'laughing hyena' I'm jiggered if that there same brute wasn't standing grinning at me. Maybe it was taking a summer outing when I saw it. How can I tell? You never can tell what you are likely to run across in the woods. You wouldn't believe it if I should tell you that a rhinoceros once chased me." \* \* \* \* \*

But what is the use?

W. M. FULLER.

## All Around.

A. W. Woodman, doctor of dental surgery of Plymouth, N. H., writes that he caught an 8-pound salmon and a 3-pound trout from Newfound lake one morning recently. The ice has been out of the lakes in that vicinity since April 28.

The fishing season has opened fine at Wilson lake, large catches being made every day. A. C. Furbush took a 61-pound togue and Adna Trask and L. F. Adams each one weighing 51 pounds. B. E. Cram and L. L. Waite caught five togue which tipped the scales at 17½ pounds. The largest fish weighed a little over 6 pounds. The salmon fishing is also excellent.

At Lake Auburn recently a 10-year-old boy caught six flat tailed trout weighing from 1 to 1½ pounds each, with a twine string and an alder pole.

One of the finest salmon caught this season in Sebago lake was landed by John Fleming and weighed 13½ pounds. The fish has been mounted and makes a handsome trophy.

The regular monthly meeting of the fish and game commissioners was held in their office on Friday morning. Only matters of a routine nature were touched upon. Incidental to the meeting Commissioner Carleton remarked that last year he did not get time to catch the five trout which he allows himself annually, but that this year he was going to make a great effort to get the quintet.

Ben Woodard, the famous game warden and b'ar hunter, was in Bangor recently. Mr. Woodard has been stationed around Baker lake during the winter. He says that the reports of game dying from starvation are wholly false as far as the territory he occupied is concerned. Further Warden Woodard said that the winter had been a good one for the game and that he had seen but one dead deer during the many months he was in the woods. Mr. Woodard is to return to his Baker lake territory at once to look out for poachers and illegal fishing.

Paul Stratton, the well known guide, caught a 4½-pound trout at Bemis last week Wednesday. It was taken near the wharf.

In less than half an hour Mr. Oscar Parker of Songo bar, Sebago, landed three "red spots" weighing respectively 3, 2¼ and 1½ pounds. He also caught two good salmon and another trout in less than four hours.

Word has been received from the Lovell Fish and Game association by the fish and game commissioners to the effect that salmon have been taken every day in Lake Kezar since the ice went out. Recently W. C. Bassett took one weighing 11 pounds and another which tipped the scales at 9 pounds, while several ranging in weight from 6 to 8 pounds were taken. People living in that vicinity are much pleased with the good fishing. The first salmon were put in Lake Kezar by the commissioners about eight years ago.

An Oxford correspondent having remarked that "H. L. Chandler of Norway saw, April 19, four black ducks, four wood ducks, one fishhawk, one marsh hawk, one kingfisher and two white headed eagles and all these between Oxford village and the Otisfield line," the Thomaston Herald makes the following comment: "Pooh! That don't count. A Thomaston man saw six oysters, eleven smelts, nine lobsters, three tommycod and fourteen clams within a hundred yards of the Corner, last Friday."

## Camp Printing.

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SIX DAYS SHOOTING AT NEW BRUNSWICK.

Loaned by Maine Central R. R.

nel, but Rough on Rats will do the business if properly used. They do not seem to die inside the camp, but it effectually banishes them all, not only by killing but it seems to warn every mouse in the country and for a year after there will be none about the premises. It should be kneaded into a ball in some food that they are fond of and placed where they can all get it. It is useless to try this method where there is plenty of other food that they can get. It works best when everything is locked up and the camp unoccupied. In short it is a good way to preserve things when you are away from camp.

Bedding can usually be preserved from their attack by throwing it over a horizontal wire stretched across a room and having a tin plate strung on the wire on each side by a hole through its center. They cannot get past this plate and will usually fall in trying. Some of them will reach the bedding by jumping but the feat will be too difficult to be generally popular among them.

D. E. HEYWOOD.

## Long Pond Camp.

Special correspondence to MAINE WOODS.

MACAMP, May 16, 1904.

Some fine fish are being taken from Long Pond rapids in Moose river. Thirty fine trout were caught May 10, the average weight being 2 pounds. Trout are beginning to take flies now and there are nice ones close by Bob Walker's sporting camps. Mr. Walker is getting his camps ready, also building new ones and expects a large run of sportsmen at his Long Pond Camps. As it is a new place the fishing is fine and no sportsman or sportswoman will go away empty handed who visits the Long Pond Camps at Mackamp, Me.

not quite tuned up to the cosmos idea. I don't know where "cosmos" is. It would not do for canoe trips, I am sure. But just here is where this particular esoteric idea comes in as regards the woods and the rest.

I am in love with two localities on this North American continent; Maine and Canada. Do I love them both equally well? Can I do so? Each has its peculiar advantages from a sportsman's view point. I certainly love the woods and the closer contact with nature that one finds in remote places away from the beaten track of civilization. The localities referred to are greatly dissimilar. Well, I've never tried loving two women at once. I've too much respect for the limited amount of hirsute adornment I now possess. My esoteric friend, however, may be sound in his philosophy regarding the sexes. For I find that I love two distinct regions equally well and at the same time, Maine and Canada as aforesaid.

Would that I could be in both places at once next summer. If I could only locate this astral body I am said to possess I'd corral it and send it paddling among the thousand islands of the great Tamogonie lake of Ontario. I could give it (or is it "him") points on trolling for 40-pound lake trout and taking snap shots at moose and caribou.

Then I'd hie myself to Grand lake or the Rangeley or Mt. Kineo districts and cast Professors and Brown Hackles and Parnachenee Belles along the trout streams and try my skill against the landlocked salmon or focus my camera on the wild denizens of the glorious Maine woods. And what a time my astral counterpart and I would have when we got together again and compared notes.

My friend, Mr. Hugh O. Pentecost, a well-known lawyer of this city, left his

I hate to do it but here is what he says on the subject:

"Not broad tail, no sir, broad mouth is the variety. Don't find 'em anywhere else. Denny Swett, our local game warden, and I discovered 'em last fall. Prove it? Well say, you know a trout hook when you see one, don't you? Well I'll just show you the hook I caught one of 'em with. What more do you want?"

"This is the way we account for it. You see there is a law again trout fishing in any of the Webb Lake streams. Denny Swett has been patrolling these streams for ten years or more. Whenever a summer visitor wants to see trout he just gets Denny and Denny shows him scores and hundreds of trout swimming about as if fish hooks and flies had never been invented.

"Well, it didn't take the trout long to get onto this. They were immune from the fishermen. Couldn't be fished for. And they just knew it. So when one of you New York "sports" came along and just got woozy looking at 'em and they heard their friend Denny talk about handcuffs and things if he caught anybody fishing thereabout, the trout would simply wiggle their fins and grin. Yes sir, just grin, and they have been doing it for so long that their mouths now run sideways instead of up and down. They're grinning all the time.

Fred insists that he saw a hyena over Mt. Kineo way last summer. "When I first spotted the beast," he says, "and it's all spotted you know, I didn't know what in tarnation creation it was. It wasn't a dog nor a wolf and I hadn't been drinking so I couldn't account for it that way.

"But there he was. Talk about the 'Call of the Wild,' you should have heard the yawsps that critter uttered. Sort of a cross between the bray of a jackass and a man laughing with a jag



## PARLOR CAR SERVICE.

The Bangor and Aroostook Railroad Company announce the resumption of Pullman Buffet Car Service between Bangor and Caribou.

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### MAINE GUIDE LOST "ROLL." It Dwindled From \$263 to 17 Cents In Boston.

[Boston Evening Globe.]

Never mind his full name. 'Twould be unfair to speak it in print, but where he is best known, and that is up in Maine, where he fells trees in winter, does a bit of log driving in spring and rounds out the rest of the season guiding sportsmen to the recreations afforded by flood and field, he is known as Jack.

Not long ago Jack's fancy regaled him nightly in an Aroostook lumber camp with pleasures that the considerable roll he had accumulated would supply for him were he to take a run to Boston. He had a thirst like a thirsty sword, not having swigged enough in a half year to make a spreading period on a piece of blotting paper.

Once the thought had successfully broken into his mind, Jack indulged himself in day dreams of visits to dime museums and other places where fun may be had while money lasts, and finally, when all the timber was yarded ready for floating down with the outgoing ice, he slicked up in his best Sunday-go-to-meetings and lit out for Boston.

Jack arrived all right with a bundle of money bulky enough to choke a cow. It was in ones, twos, fives and tens. After paying his fare from Patten, near where old Bill Sewall, the President's guide lives, he had left \$263. With that he was going to spatter vermilion all over the capital of Massachusetts. He would have at least a week of sight-seeing, thirst-raising, dime museum visiting, and—well, never mind.

That he would go the limit and then return to spring and summer log driving and guiding, pleasurable reflections and smoke talks, during which he would regale those who had never ventured west beyond Bangor with stories concerning the city's slums, Chinatown and other places, he had firmly fixed in mind.

#### JACK'S ARRIVAL.

Jack arrived one evening at the North station, passed out with the crowd and broke out in broad grins as he ran into the full glare of the electric lights and heard the roar and rush of overhead trains and the surface cars.

"Keb, sir," asked the driver of a four-wheeled vehicle, pointing at him with the butt end of a whip.

"What?" said Jack.

"Keb," returned the driver.

"You've got me, neighbor," responded Jack, "but if you're trying to ask me if I want to be toted around town in that fenced in buggy of yours, you've chucked your ax plumb into the right scarf."

The driver asked where away the trail should lead and was told that the first stopping place would be a "booze joint."

"Ain't had a geezer for many moons," said Jack, "and I want something slicker than a smel' this time. Last I had was in a camp at Masardis. It was 'split,' toned up and colored with burnt sugar and pulverized hemlock bark, and two weeks after filling up on that cussed stuff I tripped and fell in a 'blow-down,' shook up the old brannigan and was fighting drunk again for two hours. It's me for the old sweep well when there's any more of that kind of squeeze passed around."

Well, Jack and the driver made a night of it. The first swig to chase the cobwebs out of the guide's throat was what he called "pretty blamed smooth." All the rasp had been mellowed away. He had another. This was followed by one more, and Jack thought the brand so good that he penciled the name on a scrap of paper. He'd just tote back a "long necker" or two of that distilled joy, to make the boys kick themselves for being so long in ignorance of what real old "red eye" could do in the way of making life worth living.

#### POETRY WINS THE WOODSMAN.

Not to be thought niggardly, the

driver set 'em up. He lifted his glass to a touch with the rim of the woodsman's and gave a modification of one of Tom Moore's toasts. It ran:

Let me drink to the thought that where'er  
a man roves  
He is sure to find something that's blissful  
and dear;  
And that when he is far from the lips that he  
loves  
He can always make love to the lips that are  
near.

It would be difficult, indeed, to find in all Maine or elsewhere a raftsmen or guide, ax man or tote-team driver lacking in poetic sentiment. The cab driver made himself a full brother to Jack when he tossed off that sentiment. They must see the town together, but before going the driver cautioned the man from Maine against getting too much aboard.

"You see," he said, tapping Jack familiarly on the shoulder, "we have a police commissioner here who says a man is drunk when he staggers, or when the smell of liquor can be detected on his breath. And he has instructed the police to pinch all such persons."

"When you can smell the stuff or when he staggers. That's drawing the line pretty fine," said Jack, reflectively, and ordering another, he clinked glasses with the cabman and said:

Not drunk is he who from the floor  
Can rise again and drink some more;  
But drunk is he who prostrate lies  
And who can neither drink nor rise,

#### "BACK TO THE WOODS."

Three days later a tall, dark, well set-up man a few years short of 40, stepped into the office of the United States Cartilage company on Washington street and called for Charles W. Dimick. It was Jack, looking as if he had been in a mixup with a rolling log on a wood pile. There was stubble on his face, a general confusion in his appearance. His eyes bespoke loss of sleep and other things. He looked like a "touch" and Mr. Dimick was a bit shy.

"Is Mr. Dimick here?" asked Jack of Mr. Dimick himself.

"What do you want to see Mr. Dimick for?" said Mr. Dimick.

"That I will tell Mr. Dimick when I see him."

Just then Mr. Dimick's stalwart Nu-bian of an office boy, who is older than most office boys and very dark in the face, butted in to side track what he supposed to be something looking for a "hand out."

"Mr. Dimick is not here just now, sir; he's gone away for a two-weeks' trip."

The guide turned slowly to face the office boy and very calmly said:

"I'm not talking to you, sir," faced Mr. Dimick again and said: "I'm Jack D— of M—, in the Aroostook regions of Maine. I am a guide, came here with \$263 to have a good time, am busted and want to get home."

"Been robbed?"

"Not a bit of it; blew it all in having fun. Had a good time with a cab driver, saw the town, bought wine for the ladies, took in the theatres and was chopped through and down financially before I was aware of it. Three fellows tried to rope me into a game of cards the other night, but I wouldn't have it and they gave me up as no good to squeeze money from. I have nobody to blame but myself and no regrets other than shortsightedness in not holding onto enough to get home."

"How did you happen to call on me?"

"Well, it was just this way: When I woke up this morning with only 17 cents in my clothes I said to myself, 'Jack, you blamed fool, you're in a bad fix in a town where you have no friends.' Then, after thinking things over, I decided I'd look up a sportsman. I went into a store down below here where I saw boxing gloves, sweaters, golf clubs and baseball bats in the window, and asked one of the clerks if he could direct me to a sportsman. They gave me your address."

When Jack left Mr. Dimick, he went into a barber shop for a reaping of whiskers, then to an eating house for a square meal. Later he returned and

was provided with the wherewith to reach his old stamping grounds. He was sure, he said, before boarding the train, that a sportsman would not turn him down.

#### Farmington Fish Notes.

W. C. Vancor of Farmington fished Barker brook at Temple last Saturday and took 40 nice brook trout.

Capt. Geo. McL. Presson of Farmington, M. O. Huston, Falmouth and Isaiah Hillman of Aden, Calif., fished at Redington pond a few days this week. Some big ones were seen among the lot.

E. E. Richards, Esq., and party were at Camp Dewey, Varnum pond, a few days this week.

J. C. Metcalf of Farmington entertained a party of friends at Varnum pond this week. They took eight nice salmon and trout.

#### Hit or Miss Club.

At the weekly shoot of the Hit or Miss Rifle club of Livermore Falls in the range on Hardy's hill Thursday afternoon, Mr. R. M. White scored the highest number of points, 44 out of a possible 50, shooting off-hand at 200 yards. Mr. H. I. Ross, the crack shot of Co. D of Massachusetts, was a guest of the club and did some good shooting with a 32-40 single shot Winchester rifle kindly furnished him by Mr. A. C. Hutchinson. Mr. Ross is one of the finest shots in the state of Massachusetts and the boys were all pleased to meet him.

#### CAMP OPEN MAY 20.

#### Fish Taking Hold Well and Unusually Hungry.

Special correspondence to MAINE WOODS.

SPRING LAKE, May 16, 1904.

The ice broke up in Spring lake, May 9, and everything will be in readiness and the camps opened May 20. Although we have been very busy we could not resist the temptation of trying the fish around the wharf, and judging by the way they are taking hold, they are unusually hungry this spring and full of fight.

The salmon fishing is sure to be the best in the history of the lake as it has been improving from year to year, owing to the fact that each fall large numbers of small salmon have been put into the lake.

Many of our old parties are coming back and the prospect never was so good for a prosperous season.

JOHN B. CARVILLE.

#### Andover News.

Special correspondence to Maine Woods.

ANDOVER, May 17, 1904.

Pearl P. Small left for the lakes May 14, where he is engaged to guide two different parties.

Lewis Adams of Haverhill with two friends arrived at French's Hotel May 14 on their way to the lakes.

Morrill Henry, Malcolm Gregg and Dr. H. P. Jones of Norway started May 16 for the lakes on a fishing expedition.

Forest Howe of Hanover with two men arrived at French's Hotel en route for the lakes.

M. Thurston has his logs in the Androscoggin. This season has been a remarkable one for the river drivers, as they have only been half as long as last year.

#### Kindliness Among Birds.

"I am sure you would like to hear of a generous woodpecker I saw one morning. I was on a farm in Somerset county, Pa., and out in the orchard I saw this red head perched on a post of the worm fence with a grub in his mouth. The world was full of young bluebirds just then and a little flock was dancing on this same fence. Presently one of them sidled up to the woodpecker and opened his mouth, whereupon the obliging red head gave him the grub. I would hardly have believed that if I had read it, but seeing is believing."

I have known a similar case myself. I have seen a little chipping sparrow make a business of feeding some half-fledged robins. She watched for her opportunity and whenever both parent robins were away from the nest, she rushed in with her morsel. The robins resented her officiousness, and hustled her out of the tree whenever they caught her there. I have heard of a wren that fed a brood of young robins in a similar way and of a male bluebird that fed some young birds that were in a nest near its own. I do not suppose that these acts of kindness among the birds spring from any altruistic feeling, but that they are simply the overflowing of the paternal instinct.—John Burroughs in May Outing.

#### Water In Rangeley Lakes.

The water in Rangeley lake proper is up to high water mark and in Mooselookmeguntic and the others it is but very little below

#### Fishing Is On.

All of the Rangeley chain of lakes are clear of ice and spring fishing is on in earnest.

#### At the Crow's Nest.

Hon. Joel Wilbur of Phillips and Mr. Turner of Ashcroft, Mass., are at the Crow's Nest on Mooselookmeguntic lake.

#### Guarded Her Mate.

Complaints are made of the shooting and attempted shooting of fishhawks in the town of Bristol and people near whose homes the hawks nest are very much incensed because of the killing of one fishhawk recently, on the land of Dr. H. M. Howe at Ferry Hill and the wounding of another of the birds on the shore, near the residence of Edward Anthony, say the Providence Journal.

Mr. Anthony noticed the wounded bird near his home the last of the week with a wound in its throat and the breast feathers covered with blood. It was alone for a couple of days, its mate not having arrived. As soon as the female bird came from the south it caught fish and fed the wounded bird until the wound improved.

The bird shot at and wounded, which is nearly over its hurt, Mr. Anthony claims, is the same hawk wounded in the wing by a rifle ball 80 years ago. He recognizes the stiffness in the wing that was wounded, year after year.

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## CAT ON THE TRAIL.

River Drivers Near The Forks  
Describe Wild Cat.

He Looked Big, For Which the  
Men Are Forgiveness.

(Special correspondence to MAINE WOODS.)

THE FORKS, May 17, 1904.

O. C. Adams reports the fishing at the Ellis and other lakes around there the best for years.

One of the drivers coming down Dead river the other day met an animal in the trail about 20 inches high, with a tail about two feet long, head like a cat with long whiskers or smellers and a light gray collar. It did not seem to be afraid and after awhile walked away.

There is a party of sportsmen at Cushings cottages on Moxie pond.

Among the guests at Otter pond are G. M. Wilder, New York City; J. N. Rafter, F. U. Files, F. H. Woodbury, Dr. C. J. Bragdon, Gardiner. Among the late guests we noted Hon. Wm. T. Haynes and Mr. Soper of Waterville. The largest fish was a salmon caught by Mr. Rafter weighing 9 pounds and one caught by Mr. Woodbury weighing 8 1/2 pounds.

Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Roberson have returned to Springfield after enjoying a week's visit at Otter pond, taking a large salmon with them.

## YORK'S CAMPS

Will Be Ready For Guests, Fri-  
day, May 20th.

Special correspondence to MAINE WOODS.

RANGELEY, May 17, 1904.

Mr. York has been in camp some time getting things ready for the season. He is anxious to keep the camps up to the high standard of excellence which his parents established, and everyone unites in wishing Lewis, who is probably the youngest hotel proprietor in the state, the success which he deserves in this, his third season.

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## ICE OUT AT JACKMAN.

Good Fishing In Moose River.  
Some Large Ones Taken.

Special correspondence to MAINE WOODS.

JACKMAN, May 14, 1904.

The ice has gone out of the ponds and streams in this vicinity and the drivers are moving the logs out at a brisk rate. The streams are running bank full but still some fair catches of trout are reported.

On Wednesday last Father Forrest caught seven nice ones in Moose river, the largest of which weighed 4 1/2 pounds. Yesterday Jim McKenney caught three in front of his home. One weighed 3 1/2 pounds and the other two 1 pound each.

Today at Moose river bridge Percy Colby caught one 3 1/2-pounder, which Taxidermist Tripp is going to mount for him. He also caught several smaller ones.

Geo. Blair, Mike Shaw and your correspondent also caught a few fine ones. When the water falls a little the fishing will be at its best and some record breaking catches can be made.

Thomas Gerard of Spencer Pond Camps says he is ready to take care of sportsmen as soon as they can get in there and whoever is lucky enough to be at Tommy's for the early fishing will have something pleasant to remember.

Henry Armstrong of the Armstrong House of this place is having the Hotel repainted and new paper, carpets and furniture put in the guest chambers. Mother Armstrong is at present in charge of the cooking department of the Hotel and all of the old timers know that means lots of good things to eat. The Hotel is close to the Canadian Pacific depot and good teams are always on hand to transport guests to their destination.

## SEND US HUNTING STORIES

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A prominent club woman, Mrs. Danforth, of St. Joseph, Mich., tells how she was cured of falling of the womb and its accompanying pains and misery by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

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## Byron Notes.

But little fishing as yet. A few have been caught in the small brooks, but the river is too high for fishing. A few have been taken from Garland pond, but they do not seem to bite very well there this spring. Several fishermen have gone to the lakes.

John Toothaker of Dixfield made a trip to Garland pond last week but did not get a trout. Murdock Beaton caught a 2-pound trout there last week.

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## TRANSPORTATION.

### TIME - TABLE.

## SANDY RIVER R. R.

Monday, May 9, 1904.

North.		Tr'n 1	Tr'n 3	Tr'n 5
		A. M.	A. M.	P. M.
Farmington,.....lv		11 00	12 10	4 40
So. Strong,.....				
Strong,.....	ar	P. M.	P. M.	
Phillips,.....	lv	12 05	12 42	5 10
		12 30	1 00	5 30
South.		Tr'n 2	Tr'n 4	Tr'n 6
		A. M.	A. M.	P. M.
Phillips,.....lv		7 30	8 30	1 30
Strong,.....	ar			
So. Strong,.....	lv	7 50	9 10	1 48
Farmington,.....ar		8 20	10 00	2 17

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### TIME-TABLE.

In Effect May 9, 1904.

SOUTH.		A. M.	P. M.	P. M.
Bigelow, lv		11 00	2 00	6 45
Carrabasset, ar		11 20	2 25	7 05
Kingfield, ar		11 40	3 00	7 30
*N. Freeman, lv		6 55	7 00	12 50
*Mt. Abram Jct., lv		7 00		12 55
Salem, lv		7 15	7 40	1 10
*Summit, lv		7 20	8 35	1 12
*W. Freeman, lv		7 25		1 25
Strong, ar		7 45	9 05	1 35
NORTH.		A. M.	A. M.	P. M.
Strong, lv		8 15	10 00	5 12
*W. Freeman, lv		8 25		5 17
*Summit, lv		8 35	10 30	5 27
Salem, lv		8 40	10 35	5 35
*Mt. Abram Jct., lv		8 45	10 40	
*No. Freeman, ar		8 50		5 43
Kingfield, ar		9 00	11 30	5 50
Bigelow, ar		9 15	12 00	5 55
Carrabasset, ar		9 45	12 35	6 20
Bigelow, ar		10 15	1 05	6 40

\*Flag stations. Trains stop on notice to conductor. Mixed trains.

Close connection is made at Strong with trains to and from Phillips, Farmington, Portland and Boston. Stage connection at Bigelow for Stratton and Eustis, at Carrabasset for Flagstaff and Dead River.

GEO. M. VOSE, SUPERINTENDENT.

## TRANSPORTATION.

## THE PHILLIPS & RANGELEY

AND  
EUSTIS RAILROADS.

Time-Table May 9, 1904.

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EAST		A. M.	P. M.	A. M.
		No. 1	No. 3	No. 5
Boston, E. Div.,	lv	7 45		9 00
" W. Div.,				8 30
Portland,				A. M. P. M.
Farmington,				8 30 12 55
Phillips, ar				1 00 5 30
Phillips, lv		7 45	1 00	5 30
Madrid,		8 15	1 15	5 45
Madrid Junction,				
Reed's Mill,		8 27	1 25	5 55
Sander's Mill,		8 45	1 35	6 05
Redington,		9 15	2 00	6 30
Eustis Junction, lv		10 00	2 20	6 45
Greene's Farm, ar		10 10		7 15
Dead River Station, lv		10 15	2 25	7 05
Rangeley, ar		10 45	2 40	7 05

WEST

		A. M.	P. M.	P. M.
		No. 2	No. 4	No. 6
Rangeley, lv		6 00	12 00	1 00
Dead River,		6 15	12 15	1 15
Greene's Farm,				11 30 a.m.
Eustis Junction, ar		6 20	12 20	1 20
Redington, lv		6 40	12 40	2 05
*Sander's Mill,		7 00	1 00	2 25
*Reed's Mill,		7 10	1 10	2 50
*Madrid Junction,				
*Madrid,		7 15	1 15	3 00
Phillips, ar		7 30	1 30	4 00
Phillips, lv		7 30	1 30	
Farmington,		8 20		2 17
Portland,		12 20	5 45	
Boston, E. Div., ar		4 00		9 00

The American Express Co. transacts business at all points on line of Phillips & Rangeley railroad.

\*Flag Stations.

Stage connections for Stratton and Eustis and all points in the Dead River region.

The above table shows the time that trains may be expected to arrive and depart from the several stations but is not guaranteed. Subject to change and correction without notice.

FLETCHER POPE, General Manager.

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## Portland & Rumford Falls Ry.

DIRECT LINE TO RANGELEY LAKES.

Through Time-Table, in Effect May 11, 1904

GOING SOUTH.		A. M.	A. M.	P. M.
Oquossoc, lv				7 30
South Rangeley,				7 55
Bemis, lv				7 55
Rumford Falls, ar				9 00
Rumford Falls, lv				9 10
Livermore Falls,				9 20
Mechanic Falls,				9 30
Lewiston, ar				9 40
Portland, Union Sta., ar				9 45
Boston, (W. Div.), ar				9 50
Boston, (E. Div.), ar				9 55
GOING NORTH.		P. M.	A. M.	P. M.
Boston, (E. Div.), lv				9 00
Boston, (W. Div.), lv				9 10
Portland, Union Sta., lv				9 20
Lewiston, lv				9 30
Mechanic Falls, ar				9 40
Livermore Falls, ar				9 50
Rumford Falls, ar				10 00
Bemis, ar				10 10
*South Rangeley,				10 20
Oquossoc, ar				10 30

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IN EFFECT MONDAY, OCT. 12, 1903

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3:55 A. M.—For and arriving at Millinocket, 6:30 a.m., Houlton 8:35 a.m., Presque Isle, 10:37 a.m., Fort Fairfield, 11:00 a.m., Caribou, 11:05 a.m., Van Buren 2:25 p.m.

7:00 A. M.—For and arriving at Brownville, 9:13 a.m., Katahdin Iron Works 10:05 a.m., Millinocket 10:30 a.m., Patten 11:50 a.m., Island Falls 11:50 a.m., Ashland 2:30 p.m., Fort Kent 4:35 p.m., Houlton 12:55 p.m., Presque Isle 2:46 p.m., Caribou 3:15 p.m., Van Buren 4:50 p.m., Fort Fairfield 3:05 p.m., Limestone 4:10 p.m., Dover 9:32 a.m., Guilford 9:58 a.m., Monson 10:37 a.m., Greenville 11:20 a.m.

3:15 P. M.—For and arriving at Brownville 4:48 p.m., Millinocket 6:45 p.m., Sherman 6:54 p.m., Patten 7:20 p.m., Houlton 8:15 p.m., Mars Hill and Blaine 9:25 p.m., Presque Isle 9:37 p.m., Caribou 10:25 p.m., Fort Fairfield 10:15 p.m., 4:50 P. M.—For and arriving at Lagrange 6:10 p.m., Mill 6:35 p.m., Brownville 6:45 p.m., Dover and Foxcroft, 7:03 p.m., Guilford 7:26 p.m., Greenville 8:40 p.m., Quebec 1:30 p.m., Montreal 8:35 a.m.

9:30 A. M. Leaving Montreal 7:25 p.m., Quebec 2:40 p.m., Greenville 5:35 a.m., Guilford 6:47 a.m., Dover 7:05 a.m., Brownville 7:25 a.m., Mill 7:35 a.m.

1:05 P. M. Leave Caribou 6:00 a.m., Presque Isle 6:38 a.m., Fort Fairfield 6:56 a.m., Houlton 8:10 a.m., Ashland 6:45 a.m., Patten 8:55 a.m., Millinocket 10:23 a.m., Brownville 11:30 a.m., Mill 11:39 a.m.

7:25 P. M.—Leaving Greenville 3:35 p.m., Monson 3:40 p.m., Guilford 4:47 p.m., Dover 5:06 p.m., Limestone 9:50 a.m., Van Buren 9:55 a.m., Caribou 11:40 a.m., Presque Isle 12:11 p.m., Fort Fairfield 11:35 a.m., Houlton 2:40 p.m., Patten 2:45 p.m., Sherman 5:27 p.m., Millinocket et 4:20 p.m., Brownville 5:33 p.m., Mill 5:43 p.m., Lagrange 6:10 p.m.

11:45 P. M. Leaving Caribou 4:15 p.m., Fort Fairfield 3:50 p.m., Presque Isle 4:43 p.m., Houlton 6:23 p.m., Millinocket et 8:43 p.m.

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## Notes From a Former Franklin County Man.

CHERRYFIELD, May 17, 1904.

To the Editor of Maine Woods:

Your readers may like a word from a Franklin county man on the merits of fishing in this county. Cherryfield, where I reside, is about the headquarters for fishermen. It is on the Washington County railroad, 30 miles west from Washington Junction, where the Maine Central leaves us for Bar Harbor, Tunk Pond and Unionville stations, near by on the west, are close to good fishing but offer few accommodations to the tourist. Cherryfield is a place of 1800 and good teams can be procured for all the best resorts. It is a great lumber manufacturing town, the Narragansett river furnishing abundant water power and tide water coming to the lower mill, enabling the lumber to be shipped by water. Above the upper dam is a long pond called Stillwater, where there is good pickerel fishing in summer; striped perch are also abundant. At the head of tide water, close to the mill, various kinds of fishing are enjoyed. In February I tried my first tomcod jigging. Early one cold morning, armed with a hook made of umbrella wire fastened to a staff, I went to the shallow water under the mill, which happens to be within a few rods of my house, and jerked out a dozen or more of these frost fish in as many minutes. At that time of year they are easily kept fresh by freezing them up. The run of frost fish was light this year. Some years they are caught by the bushel.

Two weeks ago we struck in on the smelt fishing at the same place. They

come in on the night tide in schools and where the water is shallow are easily scooped with a big net. A fire is built on the bank and the light of the moon makes it possible to see what one is getting. Taking a stand on a rock out in the stream, the net is kept busy sifting the water. Another person stands on the bank with a pail or bag and takes out the smelt as fast as they are passed him in the net. I caught nearly a ten quart pail full in less than an hour. They were good size and almost as delicious eating as brook trout. A few large salmon are caught at the foot of the dam each spring, but the flow of sawdust is not conducive to salmon fishing. A little later we shall have fine shad fishing in this same place.

Above Stillwater the river divides into the East and West branches on both of which, a few miles from here, there is good trout fishing from now on—early fishing in the rapids and later in the quiet pools. I went for brook trout last week to Scodisc brook, a branch of the East branch and the outlet of Cherryfield pond. Both pond and brook are well stocked with good sized trout, rather larger than the Valley brook trout in Strong. Scodisc brook has three small tributaries, Great Falls branch, Middle branch and Fickett brook, all of them fine streams for small trout. From my half day's fishing in a small section of these waters I returned with fifty trout. Many of them would weigh a pound but I am sure that three of them were nearly half pounders.

At Deblois and Beddington, 12 and 20 miles due north from here, there are other trout streams less fished than those before mentioned. Beddington is in the lumber region tributary to this river and has but few inhabitants. Between here and there are the greatest blueberry plains I know of in the state. After the lumber was stripped it was burned over and is still burned every other year so as to keep the bushes in fine bearing condition alternate years. The berries are canned at Cherryfield.

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THE MOOSEHEAD REGION.

Loaned by Maine Central R. R.

In the heart of these north woods is Mo-pang lake, the mecca of the dead-in-earnest-fisherman for this county. It is accessible by means of a long and rough tote road and two or three rude camps furnish shelter. They are for rental—Billard Schoppe of Cherryfield being the owner of one. Here the trout fishing by trolling and fly is said to be always good.

But nearer than that we have good sport in Tunk, Long and Clearwater ponds, all joining one another and within six to eight miles from here. Trout, salmon and togue are the fish. Clearwater has a camp called "The Hermitage" owned by an association of Cherryfield sportsmen and free to all who go, excepting during the ice fishing in February, when a cook is employed and a moderate rate is charged for meals. At other times parties carry their own grub. It should be noted that fishing through the ice for all kinds of fish is allowed in this county after Feb. 1st. I tried the ice fishing in Long and Clearwater ponds in March, caught or helped catch two or three salmon, a spotted trout and several smelt. I knew of several 3 and 4-pound salmon and one trout of that size being caught and there were probably heavier salmon taken. Parties did not seem to average more than one or two trout—good sized ones—in a day, but more salmon were taken. Some Bangor parties come here in the winter and in the summer many from Boston or farther.

Notwithstanding I look, at this season of the year, with longing eyes toward my camp, "Driftwood," on the shore of Rangeley lake, hoping that fortune may favor our early visit to what, the past year, we found to be an ideal fisherman's retreat.

ARTHUR L. GOLDER.

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## PENOBSCOT LAKE.

## A Fishing Region New to Many Sportsmen.

## All the Trout In Penobscot Lake, Brook Trout.

JACKMAN, May 16, 1904.

To the Editor of Maine Woods:

[The following brief description of a locality in Maine that deserves to be more widely known among sportsmen—and particularly sportswomen—is volunteered by one who has fished and hunted there seven or eight seasons within the past ten years.]

Penobscot lake has its outlet in the South branch of the Penobscot river. It is five miles long by two miles wide, the monotony of a mere sheet of water being broken by a couple of small islands and several graceful bays—with an effect that is exceedingly picturesque. Indeed Penobscot lake is considered one of the most beautiful in the state of Maine.

There are several excellent fishing grounds where notable catches have frequently been made. For example, the writer and his brother in September, 1902, caught in three-quarters of an hour 15 trout, (all the trout in Penobscot lake are brook trout) aggregating over 15 pounds in weight. Again, the same party, on different fishing grounds, September, 1903, caught in half an hour a dozen trout, aggregating 10 pounds. While the fish as a rule average about one-half pound those weighing a pound and a half to over 2 pounds are not infrequently landed. In a word there is never any difficulty in supplying the table with a sufficiency and good sport is almost always assured in one part of the lake or another.

As regards deer "the woods are full of them." In June and July they are much in evidence, as many as 50 or 60 having been seen at one time feeding along the shores or among the lily pads of a neighboring pond, while it is indeed a rare thing to paddle about the lake during the summer and autumn without seeing a number of them. In October there are a good many bucks on the several ridges about the lake and a little patience and care will generally reward the still-hunter.

The moose are increasing about Penobscot. The writer, during the past six seasons has seen anywhere from one to three each year and signs point to a continued increase, at least for the present.

Black duck and wood duck are frequently met with, especially in the many adjoining ponds, and partridges are always fairly numerous in the woods and reliably stupid—a quality making rather for a well filled larder than for sport. One of the greatest charms in connection with Penobscot is the proximity of a great number of these small ponds lying anywhere from 40 or 50 rods to a matter of three miles away. The trails, for the most part, are well cut out and the country through which they pass most attractive. The ease in getting about among these ponds should appeal particularly to sportswomen or to those who like good tramping.

The cabins (four in number, exclusive of cook room and dining room,) can accommodate about 15 people with their guides. They are thoroughly comfortable and occupy an attractive site but a few yards from the water. These camps or rather this camp has been managed for the past two years and is still managed by Alexander ("Alex") Sands, a hunter and guide (well known along the St. Johns river and in the settlements between Jackman, Maine, and St. Francis, Province of Quebec) about whose feats of strength in earlier days many tales are abroad. While no longer in his prime, he is thoroughly efficient and he proves himself zealous for the comfort and success of the "sportsmen" and meets all more than half way.

Access to Penobscot is by way of Jackman, Maine (Canadian Pacific from Greenville or Sherbrooke.) From Jackman one drives 16 miles to The Line House and thence proceeds afoot or on horseback over a woods road of 13 miles to the lake where are found canoes to carry one to the camp at its head.

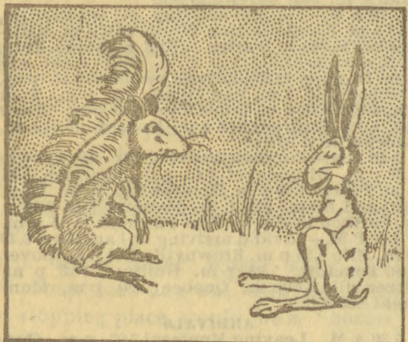
Letters addressed to Alexander Sands, Jackman, Maine, will receive a reply as promptly as possible though prospective parties would do well to write in advance to insure against accidental delays. A fortnight, if not longer, spent in this delightful retreat will bring the "joy of living" back to the most hardened pessimist. The writer takes this final opportunity to recommend most warmly haunts that have meant much to himself and friends and would point, without further comment, to his unbroken series of annual visits to Penobscot when on this side of the water.

## An Animal Story For Little Folks

## Cousin Rabbit Trapped

"Hello, Cousin Squirrel!" cried Mr. Rabbit. "How are you?"  
"I am very well, I thank you," replied Mr. Squirrel. "How are you, Cousin Rabbit?"  
"Fine! Fine!" answered Mr. Rabbit. "You always do look well, cousin," said Mr. Squirrel.  
"Yes, and I always feel well, and you would, too, if you lived as I do."  
"And how do you live?" asked the squirrel.

"Why, I live on the best of everything. While you are hunting around for hard shelled nuts to crack and pick I am feasting on the finest vegetables that grow—cabbage and carrots and beets and celery and tomatoes and corn and peas, and fruit too. Think of it—rosy apples and pears and grapes! Doesn't it make your mouth water?"  
"I believe I would rather have the nuts," said the squirrel.  
"Oh, my, that's just like you!" replied Mr. Rabbit. "Now, why don't



"HELLO, COUSIN SQUIRREL!"

you try a change of food? Come with me, and I will show you how to eat and what to eat to enjoy life.

"Just as I expected! Some man has put a big bunch of lettuce in this box for safe keeping. He didn't think I would find it. Look in there, Cousin Squirrel, and you will be able to see it."

"Sure enough, there it is!" exclaimed the squirrel as he looked in.

"Now, I am going to let you have it just to show you how good it is," said the rabbit.

"But I don't want it," replied the squirrel.

"Well, then, if you act that way about it I'll get it and eat it myself," said the rabbit, and into the box he ran.

Click, clack! A little door of the box sprang shut as quick as you could wink, and poor Mr. Rabbit was tightly caught in a trap that had been set for him that very morning.

Over the fields ran a man, and up into a tree sprang the squirrel, and as poor Mr. Rabbit was carried away the squirrel shed a tear and declared:

"I believe I'd rather have the nuts to eat after all."—Pittsburg Dispatch.