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73 M. *South Gilboa* (1845 ft.).

76 M. **Stamford** (1765 ft.; *Churchill Hall*, \$2½-3½; *Grant Ho.*, \$2-3; *Simpson Terrace*, *Westholm*, *Delaware Ho.*, \$2), pleasantly situated near the source of the W. branch of the *Delaware*, is a quiet and inexpensive summer-resort. The favourite excursion is to the top of *Mt. Ulsayantha* (3365 ft.; view; 2½ M. by road).

In summer four-horse coaches run from Stamford, through the beautiful *Charlotte Valley*, to (20 M.) *Davenport Centre*, where they connect with the railway to *Cooperstown* (p. 175).

80 M. *Hobart* (1615 ft.; Commercial, \$1½-2). — 89 M. *Bloomville* (1550 ft.; *Bloomville Ho.*, \$1½) is the terminus of the railway.

Numerous other points on the N. and W. sides of the Catskills are frequented as summer-resorts.

25. The Adirondack Mountains.

APPROACHES. The principal gateways to the Adirondack Mts. are *Plattsburg* (p. 159), *Port Kent* (p. 204), *Westport* (p. 188), *Ulta* (p. 206), *Malone* (p. 197), and *Saratoga* (p. 197); and in the following description it will be most convenient to follow the routes leading from these points into the heart of the mountains. The Adirondacks are within 10-14 hrs. of New York by railway (comp. RR. 20b, 20d), and the additional time required to go from the nearest railway-station to any point mentioned below can be easily calculated from the data in the text. *Plattsburg* is 12 hrs. from Boston via *Burlington* (comp. R. 15a). Fare from New York to *Plattsburg* \$8, parlor-car \$2, sleeper \$2; to *Port Kent*, \$7.60; to *Westport*, \$6.80; to *Saratoga*, \$4.20; to *North Creek* (p. 195), \$5.95.

GENERAL FEATURES. The *Adirondack Mountains*, in the N. part of the State of New York, stretch from near Canada on the N. to near the Mohawk River on the S. (120 M.), and from Lakes George and Champlain on the E. to an indefinite and irregular line on the W. (ca. 80 M.), covering an area of about 8-10,000 sq. M. The mountains, which run in five parallel ranges from S.W. to N.E., rise from an elevated plateau and many of them are over or nearly 5000 ft. high. The highest range, or Adirondacks proper, is on the E. side of the district; and the loftiest peaks are *Mt. Marcy* (5345 ft.), *McIntyre* (5112 ft.), *Skylight* (4920 ft.), *Haystack* (4918 ft.), *Gray Peak* (4900 ft.), *Dix* (4842 ft.), *Basin* (4825 ft.), and *Whiteface* (4870 ft.). The whole of the district (the so-called *Adirondack Wilderness*), except the highest peaks, is densely covered with forest, much of which is still virgin and almost unexplored. Lumbering is carried on very extensively, and huge quantities of spruce, hemlock, and other timber are annually sent down to the Hudson and St. Lawrence. The geological formations of the Adirondacks are mainly granitic and other primary rocks. In the valleys lie more than 1000 lakes, varying in size from a few acres to 20 sq. M. (*Schroon Lake*) and in height above the sea from 807 ft. (*Schroon Lake*) to 4320 ft. (*Tear of the Clouds*). The *Hudson River* rises in the *Tear of the Clouds* (p. 192), and the *Raquette*, *Saranac*, *Ausable*, and numerous other rivers and streams connect the labyrinth of lakes. This combination of mountain, lake, and forest is, perhaps, unrivalled elsewhere, and the scenery is of great and varied attraction. The fauna of the district includes catamounts or 'panthers' (*Felis Concolor*; rare), black bears, wild-cats, numerous deer, otters, badgers, rabbits, black eagles, hawks, loons, wild-ducks, partridges, herons, etc.; while the lakes and streams are well stocked with trout and bass. There are no rattlesnakes or other venomous serpents. — A movement is on foot to set apart about 4000 sq. M. of the Adirondacks as a State Park like the Yosemite (p. 509), but all but 800 sq. M. of this are still in private hands.

RESORTS. The most frequented and fashionable region is the district of the *Saranac* and *St. Regis Lakes* (pp. 185, 186), which are closely environed by hotels and summer-camps. *Lake Placid* (p. 189) is now almost as frequented, while *Keene Valley* (p. 190), perhaps the gem of the district, is daily growing in favour. The *Blue Mt.* and *Raquette Lake* region (p. 195) is somewhat more remote from the ordinary run of travel; while the less mountainous districts to the W. are rarely penetrated by visitors except in search of sport.

A fair general idea of the attractions of the Adirondacks may be obtained by the following tour. From *Plattsburg* (p. 159) to *Paul Smith's* (p. 185); thence, viâ the *St. Regis* and *Saranac Lakes*, to *Saranac Village* and *Lake Placid*, as described at pp. 185-187; from *Lake Placid* to *Adirondack Lodge* (p. 193); thence to *Summit Rock* in the *Indian Pass* (p. 193) and back; from *Adirondack Lodge* to *Keene Valley* (p. 190), either by road or (preferable for good walkers) over *Mt. Marcy* (p. 193); thence to *Elizabethtown* (p. 188) and *Westport* (p. 188). This tour may be accomplished in 8-10 days. Those who have longer time may add the *Tupper*, *Long*, *Raquette*, and *Blue Mountain Lakes* in the ways suggested at pp. 186, 194-196.

SPORT. *Deer*, which are the chief object of the Adirondack sportsman, are generally killed by 'Still-hunting'. The somewhat unsportsmanlike practice of driving them into the water by hounds and shooting them from a boat and 'jack-hunting' (with a light at night) are now prohibited. The State Game Laws, which the visitor should study carefully, impose stringent limitations on the indiscriminate massacre of the deer, and there are now various reservations (comp. pp. 190, 194) in which the game is strictly preserved. An occasional shot at a bear may be had in the remoter recesses, but the visitor need scarcely count on this as among the possibilities. The shooting of *Partridges* (ruffed grouse, *Bonasa umbellus*) is carried on with the aid of dogs. Good *Fishing* is obtained in many of the lakes and ponds. The intending sportsman should put himself at once into communication with the local talent. His outfit should be as plain, strong, and limited in extent as possible. Comp. also p. xxv.

CAMPING is one of the chief features of Adirondack life; the camps varying from the luxurious permanent 'Camp' of the regular visitor down to the makeshift lean-to's of the sportsman. *Camping Parties* of ladies and gentlemen are frequently organized, and, with good guides, a cook, and efficient equipments, afford a very pleasant variation of ordinary summer pleasures. — Flies and mosquitoes are troublesome in June and July.

GUIDES are to be found at all the chief resorts, and the regular charge is \$3 a day, which includes the use of their boats and cooking and table ware. Their keep is also paid by the traveller. When a guide is dismissed at a distance from his home, he expects the full daily fee and allowance for food on his return-journey. For short trips one guide and boat can take two persons, but for longer expeditions there should be a guide to each traveller. The boats are small and light, so that they are easily transported over the 'carries' between the lakes on the guide's shoulders. When horses are used for the carries the employer pays for the transportation. Nothing but small hand-baggage can be taken in the boats. — The *Adirondack Guides' Association*, organized in 1891, issues certificates and badges to its members. In the absence of a graduated tariff, the same fee is demanded for a short walk as for a severe day's work.

The **HOTELS** of the Adirondacks are generally comfortable, and some of the larger ones may even be termed luxurious. Prices vary greatly according to the style of the house and its situation.

EXPENSES. The expenses of a rapid tour through the Adirondacks are apt to be somewhat high, as the guide's fee (\$3) and keep (\$1-1½) have to be added to the traveller's personal expenses (\$3-5). Camping and sporting parties live, of course, much more cheaply than hotel-guests.

The information in the following pages will suffice for a rapid tour through the Adirondacks, but those who contemplate a prolonged stay or shooting and camping parties should procure the guidebook of *S. R.*

Stoddard of Glen Falls, N. Y. (with maps; price 25 c.), which contains details of routes, outfit, and supplies.

a. From Plattsburg to St. Regis, Tupper, Saranac, and Placid Lakes.

83 M. CHATEAUGAY RAILROAD to (73 M.) *Saranac Lake* in $3\frac{1}{2}$ -4 hrs (fare \$3; from New York \$8.80); thence to (10 M.) *Lake Placid* in $\frac{1}{2}$ hr (fare \$1; from New York \$9.80).

Plattsburg, see p. 159. The train passes the *U. S. Barracks* (p. 159) and runs to the W. through the valley of the *Saranac*. It crosses the river before and after (12 M.) *Cadyville* and then ascends to the right, leaving the river. Beyond (17 M.) *Dannemora* (1810 ft.), with *Clinton Prison*, we make a wide sweep to the left, round *Johnson Mt.* To the left is *Lyon Mt.* (3810 ft.). — 28 M. *Chazy Lake* (1500 ft.; *Chazy Lake Ho.*, \$2 $\frac{1}{2}$ -4; steamboat from station 50 c.), at the S. end of *Chazy Lake* (4 M. long, 1 M. wide; trout-fishing).

From (34 M.) *Lyon Mountain*, an iron-mining village, coaches run to ($3\frac{1}{2}$ M.) *Ralph's* (\$3 a day; fare 75 c.) and to the ($4\frac{1}{4}$ M.) *Chateaugay Hotel* (\$3) and *Merrill's* (\$2-2 $\frac{1}{2}$; fare 75 c.), on the E. side of *Upper Chateaugay Lake* (4 M. by 1 M.). A small steamer plies on the *Chateaugay Lakes* and a coach runs from the N. end of the *Lower Lake* ($3\frac{1}{2}$ M. \times $\frac{3}{4}$ M.) to (6 M.) *Chateaugay Station*, on the *Ogdensburg and Lake Champlain R.R.* — The railway now bends to the S. (left), affording a good view of *Chateaugay Lake* to the right. 54 M. *Loon Lake Station*, at the N. end of *Loon Lake* (2 M. long), connects by stage (75 c.) with ($2\frac{1}{2}$ M.) *Loon Lake House* (\$4-5), at the S. end. To the right are *Loon Lake Mt.* and *Long Pond*. At this point our line runs parallel with the *Adirondacks Division* of the *N. Y. C. & H. R. R.* (see p. 197). — At (61 M.) *Rainbow* we see *Rainbow Lake* (p. 197) to the right. — 66 M. *Bloomington* is the station for *Paul Smith's*, 7 M. to the W. (sandy, uninteresting road; stage \$1; see below). — 73 M. *Saranac Lake* (see p. 186). — We now follow the tracks of the *Saranac & Lake Placid R. R.*, opened in 1893. — 77 M. *Ames Mills*; 78 M. *Ray Brook* (Hotel, \$3); 82 M. *Lyons*. — 83 M. *Lake Placid* (see p. 189). The station lies about 1 M. from the S. end of the lake (carr. fare to most of the hotels 25 c.; trunk 25 c.)

The *St. Regis Lake House*, known as *Paul* (properly *Apollos*) *Smith's*, a hotel (500 beds; \$4-5 a day, \$21-30 a week) on the N. bank of the *Lower St. Regis Lake* (1620 ft.; 2 M. \times 1 M.), is one of the most fashionable resorts in the district and may be made the starting-point for a guide-boat tour of the N. Adirondack lakes. It is only $\frac{1}{4}$ M. from *Paul Smith's* on the *Adirondack & St. Lawrence Division* of the *N. Y. C. & H. R. R.* (see p. 197). Both the *St. Regis Lakes* are surrounded by numerous camps, and good fishing and shooting are obtained in the neighbourhood. Near *Paul Smith's* is a large *Sanitarium*, managed by *Sisters of Mercy*.

The following *ROUND TRIP is frequently made from Paul Smith's, and affords an excellent idea both of the attractions of the Adirondacks and of the ordinary methods of travelling.

The circuit is about 40-45 M., and 3 days should be allowed for it, though more may profitably be spent, especially if any digressions are made. Those who make the round trip quickly should engage their guide and boats for the whole journey; others may hire from place to place (comp. p. 184). The guides should be expressly instructed to go by the distinctly preferable 'Seven Carry Route', as otherwise they will select the 'Big Clear Route', on which two horse-carries (\$1 and \$1½) save them some work and add to the tourist's expenses. If desired, heavy baggage may be sent to Saranac Village by railway.

Leaving Paul Smith's, we cross the *Lower St. Regis Lake* by boat (½ M.); row to (¾ M.) *Spitfire Pond*; cross this pond (½ M.), and row to the (½ M.) *Upper St. Regis Lake* (1625 ft.), which we cross to (2 M.) its S. end. To the W. rises *St. Regis Mt.* (2890 ft.).

Here begins the carry to (½ M.; fee for horse \$1) *Clear Lake* ('*Big Clear*'), a pretty little lake, well stocked with fish, on the N. bank of which stands the *Lake Clear Hotel* (\$3; well spoken of). *Clear Lake* is 2 M. long, and a carry of 4 M. leads from its S. end to *Saranac Inn* (horse for boat \$1½; seat in a carriage 50 c.).

On the Seven Carry Route we traverse six short carries and six small ponds and reach (3 M.) *Little Clear Pond*, which is 1 M. long and 2 M. from Saranac Inn (9 M. from Paul Smith's). In either case we cross the Adirondack & St. Lawrence Division of the N. Y. C. & H. R. R.

***Saranac Inn** (\$4; telegraph-office) lies at the N. end of Upper Saranac Lake, 1¾ M. from *Saranac Inn Station* on the Adirondack and St. Lawrence R.R. (see p. 197).

***Upper Saranac Lake** (1575 ft.), 7½ M. long and ½-3 M. wide, is one of the largest sheets of water in the district. It is dotted with islands and surrounded by thickly wooded and hilly banks. Good fishing and shooting. Small steamers ply on the lake (fare 75 c., round-trip \$1), calling at the *Sweeny Carry* (*Wawbeek Lodge*, \$4, with tel. office), on the W. bank, *Indian Carry* (*Rustic Lodge*, \$2½), at the S. end, and *Bartlett's* or the *Saranac Club*, on the E. side.

Wawbeek Lodge is 8 M. to the E. (stage \$1½) of *Tupper Lake Village*, on the N. Adirondack R.R. (see p. 197). — The *Sweeny Carry* (3 M.; horse for boat \$2, seat in buckboard 50-75 c.) leads to *Raquette River* (*Tromblee's Inn*, \$2), which may be ascended, with the help of a horse-carry (\$1¼, seat in carr. 50 c.) round the *Raquette Falls* (*Raquette Falls Hotel*, \$2½), to (ca. 20 M.) the N. end of *Long Lake* (p. 196). Or we may descend the river to (11 M.) *Tupper Lake* (p. 197).

Indian Carry crosses to (1 M.) the *Stony Creek Ponds* (1640 ft.; *Hiawatha Hotel*, \$2½) and to (3 M.) *Axton*, on the *Raquette River* (about 8 M. from *Tromblee's*).

A short carry from the landing for *Bartlett's* (¼ M.; horse, unnecessary, 50 c.) leads to the stream flowing into the (½ M.) *Middle Saranac Lake*, more often called *Round Lake* (1545 ft.), a nearly circular sheet of water, 2½ M. in diameter. This little lake is sometimes lashed by violent squalls coming down from the hills,

and it is advisable to keep an eye on the weather. To the S.E. rises *Ampersand Mt.* (3430 ft.; *View), the trail to the top of which (ca. $2\frac{1}{2}$ M.) leads through the woods and is not easy to follow without a guide. At the N.E. corner of Round Lake we enter its pretty outlet, descending to ($2\frac{1}{2}$ M.) the lower lake and passing about halfway a series of rapids, where a short carry is necessary.

***Lower Saranac Lake** (1540 ft.), 5 M. long and $\frac{3}{4}$ - $1\frac{1}{4}$ M. wide, is one of the prettiest of the Adirondack lakes, surrounded by wooded hills and thickly sprinkled with islands, said to number fifty-two. Near the lower (N.E.) end of the lake lies **Saranac Lake Village**, with the station of the Chateaugay R. R. (p. 185), and one of the chief centres of the district for hotels, guides, and outfits.

The ***Ampersand Hotel** (\$ 4-7) is pleasantly situated on high ground on the N. bank of the lake and is adjoined by golf-links. The **Algonquin** (\$ 3-4) lies on the S. shore of the lake (omn. from station 50 c.). The *Del Monte* (\$ 3-4) is 1 M. to the N., the *Edgewood Inn* (\$ 2-3) 1 M. to the W. of the village. The ***Berkeley** (\$ $2\frac{1}{2}$ -4) is the chief hotel in the village itself. The **Adirondack Sanitarium** (for consumptives) lies 1 M. to the N.E. — *H. H. Mner*, taxidermist, near the Saranac Lake House, has excellent stuffed specimens of the fauna of the Adirondacks.

Saranac Lake is 10 M. by road (railway, see p. 185) from *Lake Placid* (see p. 189). The road turns to the right in the village, $1\frac{1}{2}$ M. from the lake, and passes ($2\frac{1}{2}$ M.) the *Ray Brook House* (p. 185). At (3 M.) the fork the left branch leads to (3 M.) *Lake Placid*, the right to (5 M.) *North Elba* (p. 189).

We may now return to Paul Smith's by railway (see p. 197).

b. From Port Kent to Ausable Chasm and Lake Placid.

Port Kent lies on the W. shore of *Lake Champlain* (see p. 204), nearly opposite *Burlington* (p. 127; steamer), and within $8\frac{1}{2}$ hrs. by railway of New York (comp. R. 20b; fare \$ 7.60).

A short branch-railway runs in 20 min. from Port Kent to ($2\frac{1}{2}$ M.) **Ausable Chasm** (*Ausable Chasm Hotel, finely situated, \$ 4) and to (6 M.) *Keeseville*.

The ****Ausable Chasm** is, perhaps, the most wonderful piece of rock-formation to the E. of the Rockies, and should not be omitted by any traveller who comes within a reasonable distance of it. The *Ausable River*, a large and rapid stream, here flows through a rocky gorge only 20-40 ft. wide, between perpendicular walls of Potsdam sandstone, 100-175 ft. high. Waterfalls and rapids add to the attractions. A visit to the chasm has been facilitated by paths and bridges; and the boat-ride through the rapids affords a novel and exciting but perfectly safe experience. Numerous interesting fossils (*lingula antiqua*, *trilobites*) have been found here.

The ENTRANCE to the chasm (adm. 75 c., boat-ride 50 c.) is a little to the N. of the **Trestle Bridge*, a few minutes from the Ausable Chasm Hotel. At the head of the chasm (to the left) are the **Rainbow* or *Birmingham Falls*, 70 ft. high, while near the point where we enter are the lower *Horse-shoe Falls*. Following the path to the right over the ledges (smooth as if made artificially), we round the *Elbow*, beyond which, across the

stream, rises the *Pulpit Rock* (135 ft.). Below the *Split Rock* (l.) we cross the stream. Farther on more or less appropriate names are attached to the various phenomena, such as the *Devil's Oven* (r.), *Hell Gate*, *Jacob's Ladder* (r.), the *Devil's Punch-Bowl* (l.), *Jacob's Well* (l.), *Mystic Gorge* (l.), *Shady Gorge* (r.), the *Long Gallery*, *Point of Rocks* (l.), *Hyde's Cave* (r.), *Column Rocks* (r.), and the *Post Office* (l.; so-named for very obvious reasons). We are now in the *Upper Flume*, at the lower end of which we cross to the flat *Table Rock*, where the boat-ride begins and where many visitors turn back. Here, to the right, tower the *Cathedral Rocks* and the *Sentinel*, 100 ft. high. The boat at first passes through the *Grand Flume*, the rocky sides of which are 175 ft. high, while at one place the river is 60 ft. deep and only 12 ft. wide. Emerging from the Flume, we pass through a quiet pool and enter the *Rapids*, through which we sweep swiftly to the landing-place at the foot of the chasm. We may now either walk or drive back to the (1½ M.) hotel.

COACHES run daily in summer from the Ausable Chasm Hotel to (32 M.) *Lake Placid* (p. 189; fare \$4), via (3½ M.) *Keeseville*, (13 M.) *Ausable Forks Station* (p. 160), and (21 M.) *Wilmington* (p. 190).

c. From Westport to Elizabethtown, Keene Valley, and Lake Placid.

Adirondack Lodge. Indian Pass.

Westport (**Westport Inn*, overlooking the steamboat-wharf, \$2-4; *Richards*, \$2; *The Westport*, at the rail. station, not to be confounded with the Westport Inn, \$2, unpretending) is a village of 563 inhab., on the W. shore of Lake Champlain, 25 M. to the S. of Port Kent (p. 187) and 10 M. to the N. of Port Henry (p. 203). It is the chief gateway to, perhaps, the finest part of the Adirondacks, coaches running hence, via (9 M.) *Elizabethtown* (\$1), to *Keene Valley* (24 M.; fare \$2½), *Lake Placid* (36 M.; \$4), and *Adirondack Lodge* (36 M.; \$4½). It is within 7½ hrs. of New York by fast train (comp. R. 20b; fare \$6.81).

THE ROAD TO ELIZABETHTOWN (9 M.) is pleasant, but calls for no special remark. — *Elizabethtown* (600 ft.; *Windsor*, \$3; *Mansion Ho.*, \$2½-3; *Maplewood Inn*, open the whole year, \$2-3), a village with 573 inhab., is prettily situated on the *Boquet River*, in the well-named *Pleasant Valley*.

Among the points of interest in the neighbourhood are *Cobble Hill* (1790 ft.), just to the S.W. of the town, with golf-links; *Raven Hill* (1970 ft.), to the E.; and *Hurricane Mt.* (3685 ft.), 5 M. to the W. (cart-road; path to the summit 2 M. more), a fine point of view. On the W. side of Hurricane Mt. is the *Willey House* (\$3). — A road leads to the S., via the (8 M.) *Split Rock Falls*, (10 M.) *Euba Mills*, and (23 M.) *Schroon River P. O.*, to (82 M.) *Schroon Lake* (p. 194; coach thrice weekly, \$2½). — To the N. a road leads to (22 M.) *Keeseville* (p. 187), via *Poke o' Moonshine Mt.* and *Augur Lake*.

THE *ROAD FROM ELIZABETHTOWN TO LAKE PLACID (28 M.; from which the roads to Keene Valley and Adirondack Lodge diverge) passes through one of the most beautiful parts of the Adirondacks. It leads to the W., passing between *Hurricane Mt.* (see above) on the right and several lower hills on the left. 10 M. *Keene Valley* (see

p. 190) opens to the left. Our road turns N. to (2 M.) *Keene Village* or *Keene Centre* (1000 ft.; Hotel, D. 75 c.). Beyond Keene the road turns sharply to the left (S.E.) and ascends to the (4 M.) beautiful **Cascades Lakes* (2040 ft.; well stocked with trout), with *Pitch Off Mt.* (3520 ft.) rising so abruptly to the right as barely to leave room for our passage. *Cascade Mt.* (4090 ft.) rises equally sheer on the other side of the lakes. The **Cascade Lake House* (6 M. from Keene; \$ 3, D. \$ 1) is a favourite resort of fishermen and others. Ahead of us we now obtain a fine **View* of the mountains enclosing Lake Placid. — 4 M. *Ames's Mountain View House* (\$2). Among the mountains seen to the S. (left) are *Mts. Marcy* and *McIntyre* (p. 193), the two loftiest peaks in the district. At *North Elba*, about 1 M. farther on, the road to (5 M.) *Adirondack Lodge* (p. 193) diverges to the left, and after 1 M. more the road through the *Wilmington Notch* (p. 190) leads to the right. Just beyond this point we cross the *Ausable River*, and on the left, $\frac{1}{2}$ M. farther on, is a sign pointing to ($\frac{1}{2}$ M.) *John Brown's Farm* (see below). 1 M. *North Elba Post Office*, where the road to (2 M.) *Lake Placid* diverges to the right from the main road, which goes on to (10 M.) *Saranac Lake Village* (p. 187).

***Lake Placid** (1860 ft.), 4 M. long and 2 M. broad, is surrounded by finer and higher mountains than any other of the larger Adirondack lakes, and numerous hotels and cottages have been built on its banks. It contains three islands, *Hawk*, *Moose* (owned by the *Placid Park Club*), and *Buck*. At its S. end it is closely adjoined by the small *Mirror Lake* (1858 ft.), 1 M. long and $\frac{1}{3}$ M. wide. Boating and fishing are carried on on both lakes, and golf-links have been laid out. The beautifully-shaped *Whiteface Mt.* (see below) is conspicuous at the N.E. end of Lake Placid, while *McKenzie Mt.* rises to the W. The **View* to the S. includes the following peaks (named from left to right): Gothic, Saddleback, Basin, Marcy, Coldden, and McIntyre, with Indian Pass (p. 193) to the right of the last. Small steamers ply on Lake Placid.

Most of the hotels and other houses are clustered round the S. end of Lake Placid and Mirror Lake. *Stevens House* (1965 ft.; \$4), on the ridge between the two lakes; *Mirror Lake House* (\$3-4), at the S. end of Mirror Lake; *Grand View House* (\$3 $\frac{1}{2}$ -7), to the S. of the Stevens Ho.; **Lake Placid House* (\$3), a small and comfortable house, to the E. of the Stevens Ho., with view of both lakes; **Ruisseauumont Ho.*, to the N. of the last (\$4-6); *White Face Inn*, in a sequestered site on the S.W. side of Lake Placid, \$3; *Castle Rustico*, *Undercliff* (\$12-20 per week), W. bank of Lake Placid. The *Summer Camp of Mr. E. D. Bartlett*, near the White Face Inn, is one of the finest in the Adirondacks.

EXCURSIONS. The path to (3 M.; ca. 2 hrs.) the top of *Whiteface Mt.* (4870 ft.) begins at the N. end of Lake Placid (guide desirable; road in progress). The **View* includes the main Adirondack peaks (S.), Lake Champlain (E.), and the Saranac and Tupper Lakes (W.), while on the N. it reaches to Canada and the St. Lawrence. The descent may be made by bridle-path and cart-track to (6 M.) *Wilmington* (p. 190). — *McKenzie Mt.* (3190 ft.) may be ascended in 2 hrs. (no path). — *John Brown's Farm* route, see above) is in a lonely spot, 3 M. from Lake Placid. The sturdy old

Abolitionist (comp. p. 292) had his home here from 1849 till his death (1859), and now lies buried in a small enclosure near the house, with a huge boulder marking the spot (shown by the present occupant of the house, who has photographs for sale). Adjacent is a monument with the names of twenty persons who bought the John Brown Farm and presented it to the State, to be kept as a public park (1896). Walkers may cut off 2 M. of the route to *Adirondack Lodge* (p. 193) by descending to the *Ausable* from John Brown's, crossing the river by stepping-stones, and following a path through the woods, which joins the road in 2 M.

The *ROAD THROUGH THE WILMINGTON NOTCH TO AUSALE FORKS* (26 M.) diverges to the left (N.) from the road to Elizabethtown, at a point 4 M. from Lake Placid (see p. 189; coach \$2½). The *Notch* (10 M.) is a defile on the S.E. flank of *Mt. Whiteface* (see p. 159), through which flows the W. branch of the *Ausable*, scarcely leaving room for the road. *Wilmington* (Bliss House, \$2), 6 M. farther on, is a good starting-point for an ascent of *Whiteface* (see p. 189; saddle-horse \$4, guide \$3). At *Ausable Forks* (10 M. farther on), where the two branches of the *Ausable* unite, we reach the railway (see p. 160).

Among the numerous other excursions made from Lake Placid are those to *Adirondack Lodge* (10 M.; see p. 193) and *Keene Valley* (21 M.; see below).

**Keene Valley* (approaches, see pp. 188, 193), extending for 8 M. to the S. from *Keene Village* (p. 189), is, in its combination of the gentler and the sterner beauties of scenery and its convenience as a centre for all kinds of excursions, perhaps the most desirable headquarters in the Adirondacks. It is watered by a branch of the *Ausable*, and is enclosed by two mountain-ranges, including *Hopkins Peak*, the *Giant of the Valley*, and *Noon Mark* on the E., and *Mt. Porter*, *Twin Mts.*, and the *Wolf's Jaws* on the W. The autumn colouring of the trees is often rich beyond expression.

The valley is traversed by a good road, which passes various hotels and (5 M.) *Keene Valley Village* (1030 ft.). The following list of the hotels names them in consecutive order from N. to S., as we penetrate the valley; but the tourist is advised to fix his quarters as near the head of the valley as possible. *Estes House* (\$2), on the E. bank of the river, at the foot of Prospect Hill; *Adirondack House* (\$3), to the W. of the village; *Tahawus House* (\$2-3), in the village, to the right; *St. Hubert's Cottage*, to the right, near the head of the valley. **St. Hubert's Inn* (1350 ft.; from \$4) is a large and well-managed house at the head of the valley, occupying the site of the well-known Beede House, which was burned down in 1890. It is surrounded by groups of private cottages, many of the occupants of which take their meals at the hotel. The *View* is superb. Immediately facing *St. Hubert's Inn*, to the S.E., rises *Noon Mark*, with the long ridge of the *Giant* and *Hopkins Peak* to the left and the conical *Mt. Colvin* to the right. To the N. we look down the *Keene Valley*, and to the S.W. is the road to the *Ausable Lakes*, between *Mt. Colvin* and *Mt. Resegonia*. In front of *St. Hubert's Inn* lie the *St. Hubert Golf Links*. Adjacent is a small circulating library. — On the farm of *Glenmore*, at the N. end of the valley, is the *Summer School of Philosophy*.

The following *Excursions* are described with *St. Hubert's Inn* as centre, but it will be easy to make the necessary rectification for other starting-points in the valley. — *Keene Valley* has an excellent *Guides' Union*, a list of the members of which may be obtained at the hotels. The regular fee is \$3 a day for any excursion; a graduated tariff is an obvious desideratum which has not yet been adopted. — Many new trails are being constructed by the *Adirondack Trail Improvement Society*.

Ausable Lakes, ca. 15 M. (there and back). This is the favourite excursion from *Keene Valley* and should on no account be omitted. The lakes are included in the *Adirondack Mountain Reserve*, a tract of about 40 sq. M. to the S. of *Keene Valley*, bought and controlled by a com-

pany. Ordinary tourists, however, are freely admitted to the Reserve, though none but the authorized guides are permitted to have boats on the upper lake. The entrance to the Reserve is a little to the S.W. of St. Hubert's Inn (toll for carr. \$ $\frac{1}{2}$ -1, walkers free). A good road, constructed by the company, leads hence to the ($3\frac{1}{2}$ M.) *Lower Ausable Lake (1960 ft.; boat-house, with rfmts., boats to hire, etc.), a small sheet of water, about 2 M. long, surrounded by beautifully wooded mountains descending sheer to the water. To the left rises *Indian Head* (2535 ft.; *View), a knob of Mt. Colvin; to the right are the finely formed *Gothics* and *Mt. Resegonia* or *Sawteeth*. [From the boat-house we may make a trip by boat (1-3 pers. 15 c., each pers. addit. 5 c) to (10 min.) the landing for *Rainbow Falls*, a veil-fall of about 100 ft. (rainbow 12-2 p.m.)] From the upper end of the lake a good trail leads to ($1\frac{1}{4}$ M.) the *Upper Ausable Lake (1990 ft.), which is $1\frac{3}{4}$ M. long. In the sweep of its wooded shores, and the lovely contour of the lofty mountains that guard it, this lake is probably the most charming in America' (*Warner*). To the right (named from left to right) are *Skylight*, *Haystack*, *Mt. Bartlett*, *Basin*, *Saddleback*, *Gothic*, and *Resegonia*; to the left, *Colvin* and the *Boreas Range*. (Mt. Marcy is not seen from either lake.) The lake is surrounded with camps belonging to the guides, where meals are usually cooked and eaten before returning. Many parties also spend days here in one of the camps, the charge being 25c. per night for each person. Before returning we may row up the inlet of the lake as far as ($\frac{1}{2}$ hr.) the *Elk Lake Trail* (see below) and then follow the general course of the stream (avoiding paths to the left) to (20 min.) *Panorama Bluff*, which commands a splendid View of the mountains (from left to right: Allen, Skyliht, Marcy, Haystack, Bartlett, Basin, Saddleback, Gothics, Resegonia). Route to *Mt. Marcy*, see p. 192. — A trail beginning about $1\frac{3}{4}$ M. above the Upper Ausable Lake, a little beyond the Marcy trail (p. 192), leads to the E. over the *Boreas Mt. Range* to ($5\frac{1}{2}$ M.) *Elk Lake* (1980 ft.), whence a road leads S. to (5 M.) the road from *Tahawus* (p. 194) to *Schroon River P. O.* (p. 194; 5 M. to the E.).

SHORT WALKS. The *Russell Falls* are reached in 10 min. by a path descending from the back (S.W. corner) of St. Hubert's Inn — The foot of *Roaring Brook Falls*, descending for about 300 ft. over a cliff on the W. side of the Giant, is about $\frac{3}{4}$ M. to the E. of the hotel. We follow the Port Henry road to (10 min.) the fork, turn to the left, cross a small bridge, and then cross a field to the right to bars leading into the wood. The cart-track in a straight direction leads to the foot of the falls. By following the Port Henry road for $1\frac{1}{2}$ M. farther, we reach *Chapel Pond* (1600 ft.; right). A steep path, a little farther on, to the left, ascends to (20-30 min.) the *Giant's Washbowl* (2250 ft.), a solitary mountain-tarn at the foot of a gigantic cliff. A new trail (marked by 'blazes' on the trees) leads hence to the W. to (1 M.) the top of *Roaring Brook Falls* (see above), whence we regain the road by descending on the right side of the stream (a round in all of 4-5 M., taking 2-3 hrs.). — With the last-mentioned walk may be combined a visit (2 hrs. more) to *Round Pond* and *Boquet Falls* (trails indistinct; guide desirable). — To reach the (3 M.) *Cathedral Rocks* we follow the Ausable Lake road for $\frac{1}{2}$ M. and then cross a rustic bridge to the right. With this may be combined a visit to the small *Cathedral Falls* (someone to point out the way desirable). — *Artist's* or *Chapel Brook*, $1\frac{1}{2}$ M. We proceed as in the *Roaring Brook Walk* to (20 min.) the bars leading into the wood, and follow the first path to the right. The scenery somewhat resembles the *Torrent Walk* at *Dolgelley*.

ASCENTS. The following ascents are condensed, by permission, from papers by *Mr. Frank W. Freeborn* in 'Appalachia' (p. 135). Experts may dispense with guides in the first six. — **Noon Mark* (3550 ft.; $1\frac{3}{4}$ -2 $\frac{1}{2}$ hrs.). We diverge to the right from the Chapel Pond road, just beyond the last cottage on the right (Prof. Felix Adler's), and follow the broad path, which soon climbs along the left side of a ravine to (35-45 min.) a bare ledge (view). The path then follows a gentle ridge and (in 25-35 min.) begins to ascend steeply to (30-40 min.) the top. The View includes *Keene Valley* and its bounding mountains, *Mt. Dix*, with its curious knob (S.), *Nipple-*

top, and the Marcy group. — **Mt. Colvin** (4074 ft.; 2-3 hrs.). The path leaves the Ausable Lakes road to the left, about $\frac{1}{4}$ M. on this side of the lower lake, and ascends the left side of *Indian Head* (p. 191; sign-board^s). 35 min. Path to (5 min.) *Wizard's Washbowl*, to the left. $\frac{1}{2}$ hr (1.) Path to (8 min.) *High Falls*. 5 min. (1) Trail to *Fairy Ladder Falls* and *Nipple-top* (4620 ft.). 35 min. (r.) High white cliff, a little beyond which are a large rock and a small spring (r.). 20 min. Top (highest point reached by ladders). The °View to the N. includes the Ausable Lakes and the highest peaks of the Adirondacks (named from left to right: *Skylight*, *Marcy*, *Haystack*, *Basin*, *Saddleback*, *Gothic*, with *Sawteeth* in front, and *Wolf's Jaws*). — °**Giant of the Valley** (4623 ft.; $2\frac{1}{2}$ - $3\frac{1}{2}$ hrs.). The path diverges to the left from the track to *Roaring Brook Falls*, just beyond the bars (1250 ft.) mentioned at p. 190. 12-15 min. We follow the path to the left. 15-20 min. *Corduroy Bridge*, beyond which we follow 'blazes' through the wood to the left and reach (3 min.) the brook. A foot-worn trail, also indicated by blazes, ascends hence steadily for 1- $\frac{1}{4}$ hr. (The right branch at the fork is of easier gradient.) Then follows $\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{3}{4}$ hr.'s scramble over rocks to the end of the S. spur. Hence to the top $\frac{1}{2}$ hr. more. (A little to the N.E. of the Signal is a small pool of water.) The °View includes Lake Champlain and the Green Mts.; and *Mt. Washington* (p. 144) is said to be visible in clear weather. — **Hopkins Peak** (3135 ft.; $2\frac{1}{2}$ -3 hrs.). We follow the road down the valley for about 3 M., and before reaching the *Tahawus Ho.* (p. 190) turn to the right and cross the *Ausable*. We then turn to the right and follow the road to (10 min.) a house, at the back of which the path begins. $1\frac{1}{2}$ - $1\frac{3}{4}$ hr. Spring, a little beyond which the path emerges on the bare ledges. (It is well to mark this point in some way as a guide in returning.) 35-45 min. Top. Good view of the Giant, etc. — **Mt. Baxter** (2400 ft.; $1\frac{1}{2}$ - $2\frac{1}{2}$ hrs.). The path begins about $\frac{3}{4}$ M. to the W. of the cottage of 'Old Mountain Phelps,' which is $\frac{3}{4}$ M. from the *Tahawus Ho.* The °*Balcony*, a bare ledge on the W. summit, commands a splendid View of Keene Valley, and it is hardly worth while to climb (20 min. more) to the top of the highest (middle) peak. — The *Gothics* (4740 ft.; $2\frac{1}{2}$ - $3\frac{1}{2}$ hrs.). The trail begins to the right of the Ausable Lake road, 2 M. from *St. Hubert's Inn*. It is not very clear at first, but, after crossing ($\frac{1}{4}$ hr.) the *Ausable*, improves. 3 min. *Cascade*. $1\frac{1}{2}$ hr. Ridge at right angles to our course, which the trail skirts to the right. $\frac{1}{2}$ hr. Hollow, with swampy pool. The (15-20 min.) top commands a good near °View of *Mt. Marcy*, with *Mt. McIntyre* to its right. *Lake Placid* and *Whiteface* are seen in the distance (N.). *Dix Mt.*, with its singular notch, is conspicuous to the E. — °**Mt. Marcy** or *Tahawus* ('Cloud-splitter'; 5345 ft.; two days; guide necessary), the highest of the Adirondacks. This is a grand but somewhat fatiguing excursion, which should not be lightly undertaken. The night is spent in *Boulder Camp* (see below), and the descent may be made to *Adirondack Lodge* (p. 193). Campers on the Upper Ausable Lake can make the trip in one day (ascent 4-5 hrs., descent 3-4 hrs.). The path (7 M. long) begins at the little bay called '*Cold Slough*' in the inlet of Upper Ausable Lake, about $1\frac{1}{2}$ M. beyond its S. end, and at first crosses boggy ground. 25 min. Path diverging to the left (our path straight on). $\frac{3}{4}$ hr. *Lookout Point*, a high sandy bank. The path becomes steeper and in 40 min. crosses *Marcy Brook*. 10 min. Path leading to the right to (5 min.) *Boulder Camp* (see above). The main path becomes steep and wet. 40 min. Col between *Skylight* (l.; 4920 ft.) and *Mt. Marcy*, with a spring of good water and the remains of *Summit Camp*. The trail crosses a tract of low balsams to (25 min.) the open ledges, beyond which there is no trail. The top is reached in $\frac{1}{4}$ hr. more. The °View embraces the whole of the Adirondacks, with Lake Champlain and the Green Mts. to the E. To the S.E., between us and the dark *Haystack*, lies the deep and narrow *Panther Gorge* (3350 ft.). At our feet (S.W.) lies the *Tear of the Clouds*, a small lake 4320 ft. above the sea, which is the highest source of the Hudson. The trail from the top to *Adirondack Lodge* is $7\frac{1}{2}$ M. long (p. 193). — Among other mountains that may be ascended from Keene Valley, with guides, are *Dix Mt.* (4842 ft.; one long day), *Haystack* (4918 ft.; one day), *Nipple-top* (4685 ft.; 8 hrs.), and *Mt. Porter* (E. end, 3790 ft.; $3\frac{1}{2}$ - $4\frac{1}{2}$ hrs.).

Schroon Lake (p. 194) is reached from Keene Valley by the Port Henry road (see p. 191) to (8 M.) *Euba Mills*, and thence as at p. 188. — There is no very direct or easy route connecting Keene Valley with the *Long Lake* and *Blue Mountain* district. Perhaps the best route is by the trail over the *Boreas Mt. Range* (p. 191) or by the *Tahawus Trail* (see below). Or we may go viâ *Saranac Lake* as described at p. 186. Lastly, we may return by train, viâ Westport, to *Saratoga*, and proceed thence as in R. 25d.

***Adirondack Lodge** (2160 ft.; \$ 4 a day, from \$ 16 a week), a comfortable little hotel, completely hidden in the dense forest to the N. of Mt. McIntyre and 5 M. from the highroad (transfer-coach \$ 1; comp. p. 189), is a favourite resort of anglers, sportsmen, and pedestrians. It is tastefully built in the style of a rustic log-house, while the internal fittings are in a corresponding style, the bark being left intact on part of the furniture. In front of the house lies the pretty little *Clear Lake*, reflecting the form of *Mount Jo*, opposite Mt. McIntyre. The view from the tower extends over an ocean of forest, with not a sign of human habitation. Beyond the hotel (to the S.) all roads cease, and the only means of communication are 'trails' through the virgin forest, sometimes followed by the 'blazes' only (guides generally desirable). — *Indian Pass*, see below.

Excursions. To *Avalanche Lake*, 5 M. The trail leads to the S., through the woods. This pretty little lake (2860 ft.) lies between Mt. McIntyre and Mt. Colden. The trail is continued along its W. side to (1½ M.) *Lake Colden* (2770 ft.; log-camp). From Lake Colden a trail leads to the W. to (7 M.) the Adirondack Club (p. 194), viâ (2 M.) *Calamity Pond*. — *Mount Jo* is climbed in ½-¾ hr. and affords a good view. — *Mt. McIntyre* (5112 ft.), the highest but one of the Adirondacks, is ascended hence in 2-3 hrs. (descent 1½-2 hrs.; path steep, esp. towards the top; guide desirable, but may be dispensed with by an expert who has received a few directions). The trail winds round the W. side of *Mt. Wright* (to our left). About halfway up are the small *Crystal Falls*. The view includes Mt. Marcy (close by, to the S.E.), Lake Colden (but not *Avalanche Lake*), *Avalanche Mt.*, *Saranac Lakes*, the finely formed *Gothics*, the noble form of *Whiteface*, the splendid precipice of *Wallface* (see p. 194), *Mt. Seward*, etc. Lake Champlain is said to be visible in clear weather. — *Mt. Marcy* (p. 192) is climbed hence by a trail 7½ M. long, in 4-5 hrs. (descent 2½-3½ hrs.; guide necessary). The first half of the ascent is generally very muddy and fatiguing. Those who mean to descend to Keene Valley telegraph for a boat to meet them at the inlet of Upper Ausable Lake (comp. p. 191), and should arrange to pass the night in Boulder Camp (p. 192).

View, see p. 192. — A trail leads through the woods from Adirondack Lodge to (5-6 M.) *John Brown's Farm* (p. 189). — The *South Meadow Trail* (easy to follow) diverges to the right from the road to the highroad, 1 M. from the Lodge, and leads to the W. viâ the *South Meadow Marshes*, and then to the N. to the highroad, which it reaches about 2 M. to the W. of the *Cascade Lakes* (p. 189). This is the shortest route for walkers to Keene Valley, but is uncomfortable in wet weather.

FROM ADIRONDACK LODGE THROUGH THE INDIAN PASS TO THE ADIRONDACK CLUB, LAKE HENDERSON, AND TAHAWUS, 23 M. (9-10 hrs.; guide necessary).

The trail begins at the S. end of *Clear Lake* and leads through the woods. A divergence of a few hundred yards on either side of the path would bring us into virgin forest, where, perhaps, no white man had ever been before. After about 5 M. (2 hrs.) we reach a small open camp, where meals are sometimes cooked by the guide. The next mile involves a good deal of rough clambering over rocks (no danger) and leads us to (½ hr.) **Summit Rock*, in the centre of *Indian Pass* (2940 ft.), a magni-

ificent ravine between Mt. McIntyre and Mt. Wallface. In front of us the View stretches over a sea of forest to (5 M.) Lake Henderson, 1300 ft. below us, while to the right the majestic rocky wall of **Wallface** (3890 ft.) rises sheer to a height of 1300 ft., one of the grandest cliffs in the New World. The headwaters of the *Hudson*, flowing to the S., and the *Ausable*, flowing to the N., rise here so close to one another that they are said to mingle in time of flood. [Those who do not wish to go on by this route to the Blue Mt. country may turn back here, as this view commands the entire pass and the trail farther on is rough and neglected. Good walkers, however, may go on to Lake Henderson and return to Adirondack Lodge by the Lake Colden route (see p. 193), spending a night, if desired, at the Adirondack Club (see below).] Our path then begins to descend rapidly, at first over rocks. Farther on it is easier and more gradual. In 5 M. (2 hrs.) from Summit Rock we reach *Lake Henderson* (1875 ft.), the E. bank of which we follow to (2 M.; $\frac{3}{4}$ hr.) the deserted hamlet of **Adirondack** or the *Upper Iron Works*, where accommodation may be procured in the house of the *Adirondack Club* (\$3), which holds 40 sq. M. of the surrounding country as a game and fish preserve. *Mt. Marcy* (p. 193) may be ascended hence in 5-6 hrs. by a trail (12 M.) leading viâ *Calamity Pond* to *Lake Colden* (as described at p. 193) and then striking to the right and passing the *Tear of the Clouds* (p. 192; guide necessary). To the W. rises (1 M.) *Mt. Santanoni* (4645 ft.), and to the N.W. (8 M.) *Mt. Seward* (4385 ft.). The Iron Works were established in 1826 by a Mr. Henderson, who was killed by an accident at Calamity Pond (p. 193) in 1845, after which they were abandoned. — From the Adirondack Club a fair road leads to the S., passing *Lake Sanford* (1800 ft.; $3\frac{1}{2}$ M. long), to (21 M.) *Tahawus Post Office*. Hence we may either drive to the right (W.) to (19 M.) the *Sagamore*, at *Long Lake* (p. 196), or to the left (E.) to (19 M.) *Schroon River Post Office*, 8 M. to the N. of *Schroon Lake* (see below).

d. From Saratoga to North Creek.

Schroon Lake. Blue Mountain Lake. Raquette Lake. Long Lake.

FROM SARATOGA TO NORTH CREEK, 57 M., *Adirondack Railway* in $2\frac{1}{4}$ hrs. (\$2; sleeping-cars from New York to North Creek without charge \$2; from Saratoga to *Blue Mt. Lake* \$4 $\frac{3}{4}$).

Saratoga, see p. 197. The train runs to the N., passing *Hilton Park* (p. 199; r.). Near (17 M.) *Corinth* we reach (r.) the *Hudson*, the pretty upper valley of which we follow. At (22 M.) *Hadley* we cross the *Sacandaga* (bridge 96 ft. high).

Hadley is the station for *Luzerne* (*Wayside Inn*, \$3 $\frac{1}{2}$ -4; *The Elms*, \$2 $\frac{1}{2}$), a pleasant summer-resort beyond the *Hudson*, on the pretty little *Lake of Luzerne*.

The wooded sugarloaf hill to the right, beyond *Hadley*, is known as the *Potash Kettle* (1735 ft.). The valley contracts, and the hills are prettily wooded. — 49 M. *Riverside* (815 ft.) is the starting-point of the stage-coaches for (7 M.) *Schroon Lake* (see below).

The coaches run viâ (6 M.) the *Pottersville House* (\$2, D. 75c.) to the landing at the lower end of the lake, whence a small steamer plies to the hotels at its (9 M.) head (fare from *Riverside* \$2), touching at the *Watch Rock Hotel* (\$3 $\frac{1}{2}$), on the E. shore, the *Taylor House* (\$2 $\frac{1}{2}$ -3), on the W. shore, and other points. — *Schroon Lake* (807 ft.), 10 M. long and 1-2 M. wide, is surrounded by rugged hills and affords good fishing. Near its head lies the village of *Schroon Lake*, with numerous hotels, the largest of which are the *Leland House* (\$3-3 $\frac{1}{2}$), the *Adirondack Inn* (\$2 $\frac{1}{2}$), the *Ondawa* (\$2), and the *Windsor* (\$1 $\frac{1}{2}$). The road (stages) to the N. runs hence viâ (4 M.) the beautiful *Paradox Lake* and *Schroon River Post Office* (p. 188) to (22 M.) *Euba Mills* (p. 188), where it forks, one branch going to (6 M.) *Keene Valley* (p. 190), the other to (10 M.) *Elizabethtown* (p. 188).

57 M. North Creek (975 ft.; *Adirondack Hotel*, \$2-3) is the terminus of the railway and the starting-point of the coaches to Blue Mt. Lake.

FROM NORTH CREEK TO BLUE MOUNTAIN LAKE, 30 M., coach in 5-6 hrs. (fare \$3). This is not a very attractive drive, especially as the road is bad and passes through an extensive 'burnt district'. — To the left rises *Gore Mt.* (3540 ft.). 5 M. *North River Hotel* (D. 75 c.). The road now quits the Hudson and ascends rapidly. *Mt. Marcy* (p. 193) may be seen in the distance to the right. We cross (17 M.) *Indian River* (poor inn). 18 M. *Indian Lake Post Office* (inn); 20 M. *Cedar River* (Hotel, \$2). We cross the watershed (1760 ft.) between the Hudson and the *Raquette*. — 29 M. *Blue Mountain Lake* (see below).

Blue Mountain Lake (1800 ft.), 3 M. long and 2 M. wide, lies at the base of *Blue Mt.* (3760 ft.), which rises to the N.E.

The hotels on the lake are the *Prospect House* (500 beds; \$4), on the S. shore; *Blue Mt. Lake House* (\$3-4), at the E. end; *Blue Mt. House* (225 ft above the lake; \$2-2½), at the foot of *Blue Mt.* — **Blue Mountain** (3760 ft) is ascended by a bridle-path in 2 hrs. — A road leads N. from *Blue Mt. Lake*, through the woods, to (10 M.) *Long Lake Village* (p. 196; stage in 3 hrs., fare \$1½).

FROM BLUE MOUNTAIN LAKE TO RAQUETTE LAKE, 12 M., steam launch in 3 hrs. (fare to *Marion Carry* 75 c., to the *Hemlocks* or the *Antlers* \$1.25, to *Forked Lake Carry* \$1.75). — The little steamer traverses *Blue Mt. Lake*, affording a good view of *Blue Mt.*, passes through a small outlet into *Eagle Lake* (with *Eagle's Nest*, a solitary farm-house on the N. bank, formerly the home of 'Ned Buntline', the author), and then threads another connecting stream and reaches the narrow *Utowana Lake*, 2½ M. long. At the W. end of this lake we leave the boat and pass across a short carry (½ M.) to the *Marion River*, the intricate course of which we descend in another steam-launch to (6 M.) *Raquette Lake*, where we disembark at the *Hemlocks* or the *Antlers*.

***Raquette Lake** (1775 ft.), the most irregularly shaped of the Adirondack lakes, with numerous promontories and bays, is about 10 M. long (5 M. in a direct line) and 1-2½ M. wide. It is surrounded by low hills, and the environing forests teem with game.

The following are the Lake Raquette hotels: *Antlers* (\$3-4), on the W. bank; *The Hemlocks* (\$3-3½), near the *Marion River Outlet*; *Sunset Camp*, on *Wood's Point*, to the N. of *The Hemlocks* (\$2); *Blanchard's Wigwam* (\$2), W. bank. — The *Private Camps* round *Raquette Lake* are the most elaborate in the whole district, and *Camp Pine Knot* (P. Huntington, Esq.), on the S. side of the promontory below the *Marion River*, is, perhaps, the most beautiful place of the kind in America, if not in the world. An introduction to the owner of one of these camps will double the pleasure of a visit to the lake.

To the S.W. of *Raquette Lake* stretches the *Fulton Chain of Lakes* (1680-1800 ft.), eight in number, a favourite resort of sportsmen and anglers. They are reached hence viâ the *Brown Tract Inlet*, and a small steamer plies on some of the lakes. They may be approached from *Utica* by the *Adirondack & St. Lawrence Railway* (p. 196). — Other parts of this W.

district of the Adirondacks are frequented by sportsmen; but the means of locomotion are scanty and the accommodation somewhat primitive.

FROM RAQUETTE LAKE TO LONG LAKE, 12 M., by small boat, with guide. From the N. end of Raquette Lake we cross a short carry ($1\frac{1}{2}$ M.) to **Forked Lake** (1750 ft.; *Forked Lake House*, \$2 $\frac{1}{2}$), a picturesque sheet of water, with several private camps.

Those who are bound for the *Tupper Lakes* (p. 197) cross Forked Lake (pron. 'Forkéd') to the N., pass through the outlet into (6 M.) *Little Forked Lake*, and thence proceed, by boat ($2\frac{1}{2}$ M.) and carries ($5\frac{1}{2}$ M.), viâ *Carry Pond*, *Bottle Pond*, and *Rock Pond*, to (8 M.) *Little Tupper Lake* (p. 197).

We turn to the right (E.) on Forked Lake and from its E. end descend through the picturesque *Raquette River* to (8 M.) **Long Lake**, about 2 M. of the route being the 'carries' required to pass the *Buttermilk Falls* and other unnavigable parts of the river.

Long Lake (1615 ft.), 14 M. long and $\frac{1}{2}$ -1 M. wide, is pretty, though tamer than many of the other lakes. To the right and left as we enter it are *Mt. Sabattis* and the *Owl's Head* (2825 ft.). On the right (E.) bank, about 2 M. below the head, is the *Grove House* (\$2 $\frac{1}{2}$), a great hunting and fishing resort; and about 1 M. farther on, on the same side, is *Long Lake Village*, with the *Sagamore House* (\$3-4) and *Long Lake House* (\$2).

Nearly opposite Long Lake Village begins a boat and portage route to *Little Tupper Lake* (p. 197) viâ *Clear Pond*, *Little* and *Big Slim Ponds*, and *Stony Pond*. — Stage to *Blue Mt. Lake*, see p. 195.

Farther on Long Lake expands. At its lower end (W. bank) is the small *Island House* (\$2). To the right rises *Mt. Seward* (p. 194).

From Long Lake to *Upper Saranac Lake*, see p. 186.

e. From Utica to Malone viâ the Tupper and Saranac Lakes.

167 M. ADIRONDACK AND ST. LAWRENCE RAILWAY (N. Y. C. R. R. system) in 6 hrs. (fare \$5; parlor-car \$1). Through-carriages run from New York to all points in the Adirondacks reached by this railway (to *Tupper Lake Junction* in 10 hrs., \$8.10; to *Saranac Inn* in 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ hrs., \$8.55; to *Malone* in 12 hrs., \$9; parlor-car or sleeper \$2). The line traverses the whole of the Adirondack Wilderness from S. to N.

Utica (Rail. Restaurant), see p. 206. — The line runs towards the N.W. 13 M. *Trenton Falls*, see p. 206. We cross the *West Canada Creek*. 21 M. *Remsen*, see p. 206. At (43 M.) *McKeever* we cross the *Moose River*. — 52 M. *Fulton Chain* is $1\frac{1}{4}$ M. from *Old Forge* (*Forge Ho.*, \$3-3 $\frac{1}{2}$), whence a small steamer ascends the *Fulton Lakes* (see p. 195) to the head of *Fourth Lake* (*Cedar Isle Camp*, \$2 $\frac{1}{2}$ -3; *Rocky Point Inn*, \$3-4; *Hess Inn*, \$2-4; *Eagle Bay Hotel*, \$3; *Bald Mt. Ho.*, on *Third Lake*, \$3). Thence we may ascend by small boat and 'carries' to (3-4 hrs.) *Raquette Lake* (p. 195). — 63 M. *Big Moose*; 81 $\frac{1}{2}$ M. *Nehasane Park* (private station of Dr. Webb); 84 M. *Bog Lake*. From (88 $\frac{1}{2}$ M.) *Long Lake West* stages run to (5 M.) *Little Tupper Lake* (p. 197) and (18 M.) *Long Lake* (see above). — 100 M. *Childwold*, the station for (5 M.; coach \$1) the *Childwold Park House* (\$3-4), on *Lake Massawepie*.

107 $\frac{1}{2}$ M. *Tupper Lake Junction* is 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ M. (stage) from *Tupper Lake Village* (Altamont, \$2 $\frac{1}{2}$ -5), the terminus of the Northern Adirondack R. R. (see below), situated on *Raquette Pond*, 2 M. below the foot of Tupper Lake (see below). In summer a steamer plies hence to the head of the lake, calling at the various hotels. The station is 8 M. from *Wawbeek Lodge* (p. 186), on Upper Saranac Lake.

Tupper Lake (1555 ft.), 7 M. long and 3 M. wide, is surrounded by low but wild hills and is much frequented by sportsmen. It contains several islands. On the E. bank, near the N. end, are the *Mt. Morris Ho.* and the *Redside Ho.* (*Moody's*; \$2). — From the head of Tupper Lake we may proceed by boat and portages to (4 $\frac{1}{4}$ M.) *Round Pond*, cross this (2 $\frac{1}{2}$ M.) by boat, and carry to (1 M.) *Little Tupper Lake*. — *Little Tupper Lake* (1730 ft.) is 4 M. long and 1 M. wide. — From *Little Tupper Lake* to *Long Lake*, see p. 196; to *Raquette Lake*, see p. 195.

The line now passes several small lakes. — 122 M. *Saranac Inn Station*, 13 $\frac{1}{4}$ M. from *Saranac Inn* (p. 186; omn. 50 c.). From (125 $\frac{1}{2}$ M.) *Lake Clear* (1 $\frac{1}{2}$ M. from *Lake Clear Ho.*, p. 186) a branch-line runs to the right to (5 M.) *Saranac Lake* and (15 M.) *Lake Placid* (see p. 186). To the left lies *Clear Lake* (p. 186). — 130 M. *Paul Smith's* is 4 M. from the *St. Regis Lake House* (see p. 185; stage). — To the left, at (133 M.) *Rainbow Lake Station* (*Rainbow Lake Hotel*, \$2-3), we see *Rainbow Lake* (3 M. long; trout). 142 M. *Loon Lake Station* is 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ M. from *Loon Lake House* (p. 185; stage). The line now runs parallel to the *Chateaugay Railway* (p. 185) for some distance and then skirts the *Salmon River*. 154 M. *Mountain View* (hotel); 156 $\frac{1}{2}$ M. *Owl's Head*.

167 M. *Malone* (*Howard*, \$2-3), an industrial village with (1890) 4896 inhab., is a station on the Central Vermont Railway from *Rouse's Point* to *Ogdensburg* (see p. 207). Hence to *Montreal*, see p. 161.

The *Tupper Lakes* and the *St. Regis Lake House* may also be reached by the *Northern Adirondack R. R.*, starting from *Morra* (p. 207), another station on the Central Vermont line to *Ogdensburg*, 14 M. to the W. of *Malone*.

26. Saratoga.

Railway Stations. *Delaware and Hudson Station*, Division St., near the back of the U. S. Hotel, for New York, Albany, the Adirondacks, etc.; *Mt. McGregor Railway Station*, Catherine St.; *Fitchburg R. R. Station*, Henry St., for Saratoga Lake, Boston, etc.

Hotels. GRAND UNION, occupying the square between Broadway, Congress, Federal, and Washington Sts., and enclosing a large tree-shaded court, with 2400 ft. of street-front and 2000 beds, \$5; UNITED STATES HOTEL, Broadway, cor. Division St., an enormous structure 300 yds. long, with nearly 2000 beds, \$5; CONGRESS HALL, Broadway, between Spring St. and East Congress St., with 1000 beds, \$3-4; WINDSOR, Broadway, cor. E. William St., a fashionable house, from \$4; CLARENDON, Broadway, cor. William St., frequented by Southerners, \$4; *WORDEN, Broadway, cor. Division St., \$3, open all the year round; AMERICAN-ADELPHI, next door to the U. S. Hotel, \$3-3 $\frac{1}{2}$; COLUMBIAN, near the Clarendon, from \$2 $\frac{1}{2}$; EXCELSIOR SPRING HOTEL, Excelsior Park, \$5; HURSTIS (\$2 $\frac{1}{2}$), ALBEMARLE (\$2-2 $\frac{1}{2}$), and many other small hotels and boarding-houses, at all prices. — *Dr. Strong's Sanitarium*, Circular St., with good baths, \$2-3 $\frac{1}{2}$