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Long Pond Camps

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FOREWORD

NOWHERE else can a man or woman get so close to nature and God’s out-of-doors as in camp in the Maine Woods. Nowhere else can the weary city toiler so surely find that rest and complete change from the routine of his daily life as in a Maine camp. This kind of life satisfies the mental cravings and the physical needs.

For more than a quarter of a century the Chairback Mountain section in Maine was known only to a favored few. Soon after the close of the Civil War, several prominent Maine officers went there and recuperated from wounds and disease, the altitude and the iron-impregnated waters assisting in the cure.

The most important of the Chairback waters is a beautiful mountain lake, known as Long Pond, some eighteen hundred feet above sea level, occupying a mighty basin half way up Chairback Mountain. At the east end of this lake are situated

LONG POND CAMPS

THESE comprise a chain of ten cosy cabins located at the water’s edge and embowered in a luxuriant growth of balsam trees, pine and spruce. The surrounding ground is dry, elevated and is thickly carpeted with pine needles and the outlook up the lake toward the mountain is charming.

In these mountains are the headwaters of the famous Katahdin Iron Works region’s streams. At this magnificent altitude beside this pure lake fed by mountain brooks and springs, the languid depression of the city disappears, driven out by the tonic and revivifying qualities of the waters and the surroundings. The camps, separated sufficiently to insure privacy to the occupants of each, offer every party the seclusion of true home life. Some camps have an upstairs room, others are arranged so that parties of fishermen may enjoy the sociability of a typical woods camp in a common living room.
DINING CAMP

All guests are provided for at the tables in the large dining room. The food served is wholesome in quality and generous in quantity, with a homelike flavor that will be appreciated by the added city appetite. The dining room service is looked after by competent women who thoroughly understand their duties.

FISHING

Of course, the first and natural inquiry of folks intending to spend a vacation in the woods is in regard to fishing. Not only is Long Pond one of the best fishing grounds in the state of Maine, yielding square-tail trout and salmon generously, but Long Pond Camps are the center of Maine’s most famous trout-fishing section. Within a mile and a half or two miles, and all reached by easy trails are East Chairback and West Chairback Ponds, yielding magnificent catches, Trout Pond, Hedgehog Pond and a number of others. For those who desire long tramps and good sport there is plenty of opportunity. But there is just as good sport for the fisherman who likes an easy jaunt, and if he takes “her” along she will find the woods robbed of most of the trials and discomforts.

For there is good fishing almost at the door of the camps, and the trails to Trout and Hedgehog are level and easy. There are good beds, a beautiful table and a careful housewife’s superintendence over all.

It’s not easy to pass the subject of fishing at Long Pond with these brief statements. Some of the most enthusiastic fishermen in the country have paid annual visits to Long Pond Camps and have brought their friends with them and have never gone home disappointed. It is one of those “sure as gold” places that can be depended on. At a distance of five minutes’ row from the camps, a large number of lake trout ranging in weight from 12 pounds down to six are regularly taken, many of them by women. These fish are pink fleshed and are different from and better than the ordinary togue, so-called.
An Early Morning Catch

HOW TO GET THERE

PURCHASE a round trip ticket to Brownville Junction via Bangor & Aroostook R. R. and when due notice has been given by letter or telephone, auto from Long Pond Camps will meet guests at Brownville Junction Station, conveying them to Katahdin Iron Works over the new road. Those coming by auto can drive to Katahdin Iron Works within four miles of the camps.

The last four miles up a spur of Chairback Mountain is by camp buckboard, through picturesque scenery. Transportation charges are reasonable.

Careful and painstaking guides are located at the camps.

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Rates: $3.50 per day, $21.00 per week. Boats $2.00 per week. Special rates to parties.

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