

TACONIC LAKE.

An Adirondack Altitude and Surroundings Within Eighteen Miles of Troy.

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Taconic Lake, July 13.—Within eighteen miles of Troy, in the Grafton Mountains, two and three-quarters miles from the Grafton and Petersburg state road, and within fifteen minutes' walk of Kendall Pond and the other lakes in the Berlin Mountains, lies Lake Taconic, at an elevation of 1,850 feet.

Its Discoverers.

In a wooded section of Rensselaer County's mountains, this attractive lake was discovered about twenty years ago by former Assemblyman C. W. Reynolds and J. H. Duffe, of Petersburg, to be an ideal place to fish and hunt. Soon after their invasion they were joined by Harry A. Lewis, H. Jesse Moses of Petersburg, former Congressman E. W. Greenman and Supreme Court Justice Wesley O. Howard of Troy and Dr. Edward Webb of New York, who founded a little summer colony, which has grown steadily from year to year until there are fifty cottages around the shores of this mountain summer playground.

An Indian Relic.

Many years ago the Indians occupied this locality, and in leaving they left a log dugout. The boat is now the property of the Lake Taconic Association, and is exhibited to the lake's newcomers.

The Cottagers.

Practically all the cottagers at Lake Taconic are now occupied, and the summer season is in full swing. R. W. Wolf of New York is President of the Association and J. H. Duffe of Petersburg is Vice President.

Among the early comers are Dr. A. Bleiman and Dr. Mandel, of New York; Baldwin Palmer of Brooklyn, Mr. Chambers, Thomas Rourke and Mrs. Cornelius Rourke, of New York; Mrs. Howard of Long Island and Mr. and Mrs. George I. Miller of Troy.

Four Hundred Acres.

The members of the Lake Taconic Association own about 400 acres, including the lake. There are all outdoor sports, a public dock and the camps are supplied with water from mountain springs. Lake Taconic is equally distant from Grafton village, Petersburg and Berlin.