

has Mr. Warren H. Manning, of Boston, made the wilderness to blossom like the rose.

We stop before the Holly Inn, the Casino, and the other larger buildings; next the new hall, then the capacious department store; and realize what a symmetry is in the architectural design of the village. Selecting the Casino we visit the spacious reading and social rooms which occupy nearly the whole of the second story. The little red school-house, where a cultured preceptress from Little Rhody teaches the young idea how to shoot, adds a charm to the situation. This is the museum. The "shack" itself is an object of interest, and the relics it contains are more interesting. If you pass by the printing office it is at your peril. Editor Spinney will spot you, sure, and your name and pedigree must be given before your passport is issued. But, laying aside jest, THE PINEHURST OUTLOOK has one of the best outfits in the state, and one gentleman avers that the enterprise shown in the make-up of this paper had no small part in inducing him to spend the winter here. The deer park, with its beautiful family, a part of whose domain the gorgeous peacocks share, will attract visitors daily, and in the adjoining grove the children may swing and "teter" at their own sweet will. We must not forget to speak of the croquet and lawn tennis grounds.

But we are headed for the nursery. Herr Katzenstein honors and dignifies the place he so well fills. It is our sober judgment that by his experiments he is doing more for the farmers of this section than any other agency. Were we legislated out of New England by Old Boreas and an impoverished soil, we should strike for North Carolina, consult Herr Katzenstein as to where we had best locate, and secure his advice in the matter of profitable crops. If we mistake not, future visitors to Pinehurst will see a greater range and variety of fruits, flowers and vegetables at the Pinehurst nursery than anywhere else in our country.

"Are the visitors social, and do they readily fraternize?" one gentleman writes. We looked in upon the company gathered in the Casino parlors not long since, to prepare for Christmas and also to organize an entertainment club, and the query was quickly answered. No plan met with favor which did not include everybody. "What are the educational and religious privileges?" another asks. The school house and schoolma'am have been referred to; and the other part of the question is answered by the statement that union religious services and a Sunday school are held every Sunday in the beautiful new hall. Here, also, entertainments will be given all through the season.

We might choose to call this village Tuftsborough; but the modest man who planned and controls it for the pleasure and profit of his fellow men is better honored because everything suggests him and his genius. The sight of St. Paul's cathedral brings vividly before us its famous architect. Of Mr. Tufts, no less than of Sir Christopher Wren, can it be said: "*Si quaeris monumentum circumspice.*" Some one has said that Pinehurst was founded in a philanthropic spirit. This may be true. But while we must dismiss from mind any mercenary considerations or any form of selfishness, it is easy

to understand that as "*noblesse oblige*" is an axiom, so Mr. Tufts believes that wealth too, imposes obligation, and that he would prefer it should be said that ethical considerations largely controlled him as first in his anticipation and then in realization Pinehurst satisfied his sense of duty.

A word more. Ozone and sunshine as well as medical skill make slow progress in curable cases in a community where at the same time victims of chronic or fatal diseases are dragging out a painful existence. There has been a crying need of a place where weary, overworked men and women and semi-invalids might be coaxed back to health and strength by the most favorable surroundings. These are found in Pinehurst. The mild policy of exclusion here adopted is in favor of the many who have longed for, but never expected to find, a resting place where everything conduces to the highest mental and physical results.

We are indebted to the courteous secretary of the State Board of Agriculture for much of the data about North Carolina. R.

AN ATTRACTIVE VILLAGE.

A Winter Resident from the North Gives His Impressions of Our Village.

PINEHURST, N. C., Dec. 8, 1897.

F. T. SPINNEY, PUBLISHER:

MY DEAR SIR,—During the past year I have, from personal interviews with individuals and from circulars and magazine and newspaper articles, learned what I could of the unique and attractive scheme of Mr. James W. Tufts for building up "a New England village in the southern pines," primarily with the object of benefitting "a large class of people of refined tastes who require the restorative effects of a winter sojourn in the South, but who cannot afford to pay the usual prices of hotels and boarding houses where such accommodations can be had." Feeling the need of the health-promoting advantages which it was claimed might be secured here, I decided, with my wife, to come to Pinehurst. Owing partly to the cautions of doubting friends, and in part to the fact that usually in similar cases allowance has to be made for discrepancies between promise and fulfillment, we were prepared to find such discrepancies in this instance; but on our arrival we found, instead, a beautiful park-like village, with appointments equalling if not surpassing the glowing descriptions we had heard and read. It seems as though scarcely anything required for the comfort and convenience of residents has been overlooked in Mr. Tufts' comprehensive plan. The facilities provided for economic living; the provision made for furnishing, at reasonable cost, milk, eggs, and vegetables, fresh from the village farm; the establishing of a general store where goods can be purchased at moderate prices; the opening of a reading-room and a library for the use of all within the town limits; the erection of a large public hall for religious services and amusements; the establishing of a graded school, in a suitable building, with modern appliances, for the accommodation of the children of visitors; the lighting of all the houses, public and private, by electricity; the supplying of them with pure water; the running of electric cars for the conveyance of passengers to and

from Southern Pines, the nearest point at which trains of the Seaboard Air Line railroad can be reached; the instituting of a perfect system of drainage throughout the town; the affording an opportunity for studying the nature and habits of a large variety of vines, shrubs and trees; and exemption from all manner of nuisances—these and numerous other devices for the well-being of his patrons attest the wise foresight of the man to whom not only his guests but the community at large are indebted. And I am happy to feel warranted in assuring those who wish to spend the winter months in a warmer climate and among the long-leaf pines, where the water is pure and the atmosphere is unusually dry, that in my opinion they can make no mistake in coming here. The drawbacks that I was told I would in all probability meet with I have not yet encountered. Venomous reptiles and insects such as are said to abound in some sections of the South seem not to infest this place. Respecting the difference between the temperature of Pinehurst and that of New York and New England, I cannot speak from actual knowledge, but I hope to be able to obtain a daily record of the state of the thermometer in these several localities, and shall be pleased to report the result to THE OUTLOOK if it is thought that its readers would be interested in the comparison.

My reply to the objection that is sometimes raised to what is termed "one-man power" in the management of a village or city, is, that much depends upon the kind of man in question. If he is of the right sort, and studies the best interests of all under his jurisdiction, and is favored with ample means for carrying his beneficent designs into effect, there may be decided advantages in his supremacy; and such, I have reason to believe, is the case with Pinehurst.

Of course the improvements that have been inaugurated here are incomplete; some of them are in their early stages; but this condition of things lends a charm to the scene so far as I am concerned. I like to see a good thing grow, and I have no doubt that others who are here for rest and recreation will also find wholesome diversion in witnessing the finishing touches for the season that are now being put on the hotel, the other public buildings, the flower beds, and the lawns.

One peculiarity of Pinehurst that has especially arrested my attention, is the fraternal spirit which appears to prevail among the residents. I understand that the custom largely obtains here of waiving the ceremony of formal introductions, so that all, whether new-comers or otherwise, may feel at liberty to address each other without waiting to be introduced. And this can be done with safety by all who reside at Pinehurst, inasmuch as Mr. Tufts has taken the precaution to see that only persons of good character and standing in their own communities shall become guests here. It is intended that practically all the visitors in this village shall be members of one great family. The outcome of this manifestation of fraternity goes far toward obliterating the feelings of loneliness and homesickness which are so frequently experienced at summer and winter resorts. I am convinced, from what I have observed and learned, that the capacity of the cottages and hotels in

Pinehurst, although greatly increased since last year, will be insufficient for the demands that will be made upon them this winter, and I predict that the time is not far distant when, if the town continues to prosper as at present, its area will of necessity be greatly enlarged, so that many thousands from season to season will be grateful recipients of its benefactions.

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