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THE BERKSHIRE HOTEL

Opened for Another Season Last Monday.

This Popular Hostelry is Now Ready for Guests.

Pinehurst, acknowledged by all to be one of the most delightful places in which to spend the long winter months, where one may escape not only the severe cold of the North but also the malaria and rheumatism of the extreme Southern States, is particularly fortunate in its hotel accommodations. Among the hotels which have helped to earn for Pinehurst such an enviable reputation, none are more justly famous than the Berkshire, which opened Monday under the management of Mr. F. B. Kimball, of Orwell, Vt. This is Mr. Kimball's second season as manager of this house.

Under the direction of Mr. Kimball, who has, since his arrival with his assistants, been a very busy man, the hotel has received a thorough renovating. The house, which proved so popular with our Northern visitors last season, will not lack patronage this season. The main building is two stories high and extends along the street facing the southeast. Three two-story ell's extend to the rear with wide spaces between them, thus all the rooms in the house receive an abundance of pure air and sunlight. The hotel now provides accommodations for over one hundred guests. A broad covered piazza extends along the whole front of the building, commanding a fine view across the lawns to the beautiful pine grove, and on the south side is a large sun piazza. The grounds are attractively laid out and planted with ornamental plants and shrubs, among which are some fine specimens of the box bush. The whole front of the southwest part is occupied by the parlor. This is one of the handsomest apartments in the village, with its walls and ceilings decorated in Louis XIV style. The centre of the ceiling is painted to represent a patch of blue sky, with masses of fleecy white clouds and dotted with numerous bright colored birds and butterflies, while about the edges are clusters of roses and other flowers. The color effects are especially fine and show the touch of the hand of a master. Surrounding the centre-piece, and around the upper part of the wall also, are relief decorations. All the decorations in this building are the work of the New York artist, Mr. Axel Selen, whose work is the finest in the village. The parlor is well lighted by large windows, and a door opens on to the piazza in front. At the rear a large corridor runs through the building with a ladies'

toilet room close by the entrance. One of the main stairways lead from the parlor to the floors above. The balance of this end of the building is devoted to sleeping apartments. These are among the most desirable in the house. They are large and airy with their windows opening toward the South and having large commodious closets, will prove especially attractive to elderly people and those in poor health. These sleeping apartments are very convenient to all the public rooms. Leading from the parlor at the right is the ladies' writing room, an attractive room furnished with several colonial desks in mahogany, an attractive room which is sure to prove popular. This room connects the parlor with the main hall of the house. It also has a door opening to the piazza. The main entrance to the hotel is in the centre of

comfortably seated at the tables in this room. Back of the dining hall is the serving room containing a steam table and every convenience for the proper serving of the food. Just beyond is a large kitchen fitted with a double French range, Aeme oven, charcoal boiler and all the apparatus needed to supply the epicurean tastes of the guests. Adjoining is a fine pantry and cold storage room, the latter being connected with the Pinehurst cold storage and ice making plant. The office and smoking rooms at the right of the hall are bright, cozy apartments. They have been thoroughly renovated and refurnished, and the walls and ceilings decorated in the Louis XV style. Connecting with this room is the gentlemen's writing room which is tastefully fitted with writing tables and every convenience for the

prominent attraction at this house and is presided over by an experienced French chef, and the waitresses are all white girls from the North.

Mr. Kimball needs no introduction to his guests of last season—one of the most genial and courteous of gentlemen he has always been a popular landlord. A hotel man of many years experience he has made a most enviable reputation in his business. For the past fourteen years he has owned and managed the Eagle Inn, an attractive summer hostelry charmingly located in Orwell, Vt., where he has met with signal success in catering to the constantly increasing number of people who annually visit the picturesque Lake Champlain valley during the summer months. He possesses in a marked degree that rare talent of the ideal host, the art of making a stranger feel like an old friend whose presence is an honor and whose every wish it is a pleasure to gratify. In his efforts to make his guests comfortable and happy, Mr. Kimball is ably seconded by his efficient clerk, Mr. R. H. Butterworth, who last summer was at Hobbs Inn, Woburn, N. H. A hotel man of many years experience, Mr. Butterworth, with his happy faculty of anticipating the wants of the guests together with his pleasing personality, will be deservedly popular with the patrons.

Mr. Kimball brought with him several of his employes from his Northern hotel, among them being his cook, the quality of whose work has been tested and proved in the past. The waitresses and other help are experienced and capable in their several lines and all who patronize the Berkshire this season are assured competent service.

Mr. Kimball wishes to extend to his guests of past seasons here and in the North his thanks for their patronage and hopes to greet them again this season. A large portion of the rooms have already been engaged and every indication points to an exceptionally successful season.

The following letter from one of our old residents and subscribers shows the esteem in which THE OUTLOOK is held by the people in the North.

NEW YORK, Nov. 2, 1900.

EDITOR OUTLOOK:—

Although I do not expect to be in Pinehurst this winter, I still feel a friendly interest in the place for old acquaintance sake, and I would like to subscribe to your interesting little paper, THE OUTLOOK, in order to keep in touch with all that is going on, and also to send you my present address, so that if you have any new and interesting printed matter this winter you could kindly forward it to me, as I always have, and shall still continue to do so, speak a good word for the place and people to my friends.

Yours truly,

Mrs. G. E. W.

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the building and opens directly into the main hall. Directly in front is the entrance to the dining hall, and on the right is the office and smoking room. On the left is one of the main stairways and at the end of the hall is the door leading to the ladies' writing room mentioned above. In all of Pinehurst's hosteries, special effort has been made to make the dining room particularly bright and attractive, and the Berkshire is no exception. It is a fine, well lighted apartment 38 x 56 feet, with high ceiling, and is finished in North Carolina pine. A large open fire place of finished brick is located at one end where the blazing fat pine logs diffuse a pleasing warmth and light on cool days. The walls and ceiling are beautifully decorated in colonial style. The sides of the room contain numerous large windows, and myriads of electric lights hang from the ceiling providing an abundance of light. About one hundred people can be