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POINT AU BARIL

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY

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Point au Baril Did you ever stand on the shore during the spring break-up and notice the broken ice drifting past, some large, some small, with deep water between? Nothing so much resembles the rocky pine-covered island formations that extend from five to ten miles along the Georgian Bay, for many miles on either side of the cape-like extension from the mainland ending in Point au Baril lighthouse. Beyond these islands, reefs and shoals is the open Georgian Bay.

The nearest town to the south, Parry Sound, is thirty miles away. Extending some twelve miles in that direction, and shut in from the open bay by a mass of islands several miles in width, is Shawanaga Bay, a comparatively open sheet of water through which the steamers that enter the archipelago at the lighthouse thread their way. Eastward from this bay the Shawanaga River, a wide-mouthed inlet, reaches inland between high pine-clad rock ridges, ending in a stream that winds far into the forest. Joining Shawanaga Bay on the north is Sturgeon Bay and channel, the latter the direct route from the Canadian Pacific station seven miles westward.

Fishing While the entire province of Ontario east of the Great Lakes is a recreation ground for the people of Canada and the United States, this portion surrounding Point au Baril has an added charm that is all its own. It is not only restful to the retiring and contemplative, but it spells real "Adventure" to all who love the wild and the picturesque. Here the summer visitor obtains what he most desires. Is it fishing? The black bass, living in deep, cold water, are as lively as trout, and each fish caught and landed is a triumph of the fisherman's skill; and the inexhaustible breeding places and protection among the rocky shoals that form the outer rim of the islands give them so wide a range that these waters can never be fished out. There are also the Great Northern pike, the maskinonge, and the pickerel—the wall-eyed pike or pike perch, the most beautiful of our inland fish next to the rainbow trout. But the bass fishing is the ideal sport of the fisherman at Point au Baril, and he never fails to come back to camp with bass to put on the fire for supper. In October particularly the great salmon trout furnish exciting sport trolling among the reefs in the open bay.

Camping In canoeing, a day can be spent threading the waterways between nearby islands, or weeks exploring the waters far afield, camping in a new spot every night amid surroundings as primitive as when Champlain paddled southward from the French river through these same channels three hundred years ago. And it is always within sound of the waters of the Georgian Bay breaking over the protecting shoals that fishing, canoeing or cottage life on a pine-clad island is at its best. There is a freshness to the air in its combination of lake-purified winds, sun-heated rocks and resinous pine trees. There is no earth but that made by the leaf-sweepings of the ridges of moss-clothed granite rock, with the graceful white birch decorating every point in the landscape. Wild life is abundant; and the sudden rise of the partridge, the graceful exit of the startled deer, or the lumbering gait of the porcupine, give interest to every venture afield, and

in turn provide certain sport for the hunter in the shooting season, while the black duck come in flocks in their southern migration and assemble for their southward passage in the secluded, wild rice filled bays.

Hotels Point au Baril is fortunate in having good hotels. These include the Ojibway, located on a forty-two acre island, the Bellevue, opposite Point au Baril Light at the outer edge of the islands, the Skerryvore, and others, as well as several boarding houses. The Ojibway has a tennis court, and possesses a fine sand beach for bathing. Over two hundred permanent summer cottages have already been established among the islands of the district, but a large number of islands are still for sale in Sturgeon Bay and further out towards the point.

Climate Health and Bathing The altitude above the sea is 638 feet. The Georgian Bay air is dry, cool, invigorating, pure and healthful, and may be fully enjoyed among the outer islands; those wishing the more tempered balsamic breezes will find their desire among the inner islands. Conditions are extremely beneficial for sufferers from hay fever. The water is pure, and the Islanders' Association encourages and promotes sanitary conditions. Owing to protection by the outside fringe of islands, and the shoals and shallow waters which extend still farther out, the inner waters, during the summer months, are warm and pleasant for bathing; u- like most localities of rocky formation, many islands are partially surrounded with sandy beaches.

Boat Liveries and Guides There are several boat liveries, where gasoline launches, rowboats and canoes may be rented, and competent guides are also available. Guides are usually cooks, but it is not necessary to board guides except when going into camp. In Shawanaga Bay, in Sturgeon Bay or in one of the innumerable channels leading in either direction, up or down the shore, a different excursion trip, protected from the heavy seas and rough weather by the outermost guard islands, may be arranged for every day in the season. A very interesting trip is about six miles out to McCoy's Island, attractive for its natural beauty.

Canoe Trips Apart from the numerous trips in and around Point au Baril, an intensely interesting trip may be arranged—of course, with an experienced guide—up the Shawanaga River, passing through Five Mile, Birch, Partridge, Wallace, Trout, Little Shawanaga, Le Vale, Gull, Dog Fish, Big Wilson, Little Wilson, and Six Mile Lakes, the latter of which is 2½ miles south of Naiscoot Station; there are less than twenty portages, most of them under seventy-five yards, a few reaching 200 yards, and three from three-quarters of a mile to a mile and a quarter.

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POINT AU BARIL AND MAGANETAWAN DISTRICTS

Showing islands and other points of interest.

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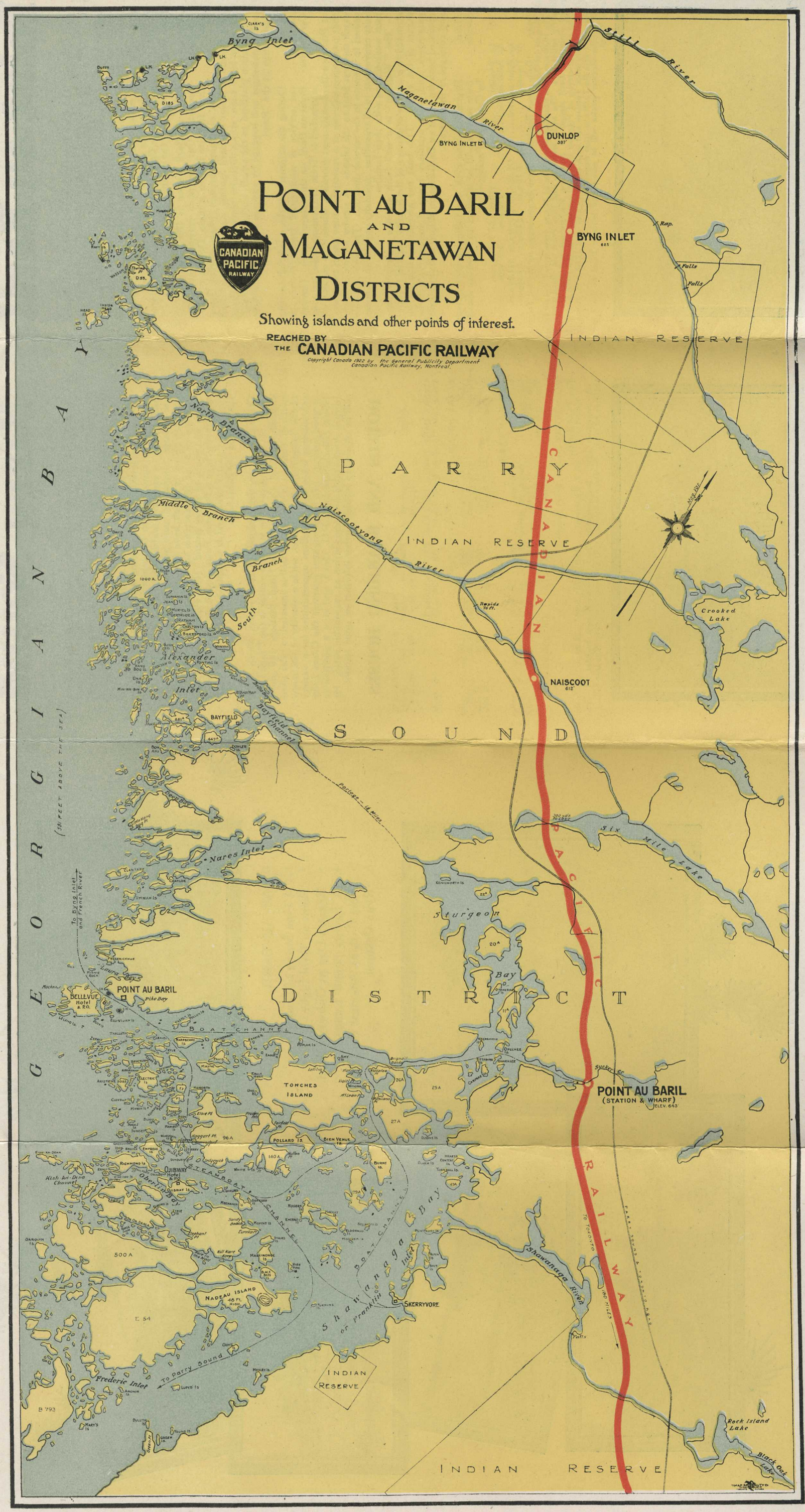

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Post Office Telegraph There is a Post Office at each hotel. Mail should be addressed Ojibway Island P.O., Skerryvore P.O., or Bellevue P.O., Ont., etc., respectively, not simply "Point au Baril." All points can be reached by the Canadian Pacific Commercial Telegraph Service and its connections. Messages will be carried between the station and the hotels on the direct steamer channels free. Off the regular channels a small fee will be charged for delivery.

The Dominion Express Company operates over the Canadian Pacific Railway and the steamer line.

Location of Point au Baril Point au Baril station is 180 miles north of Toronto. Our American friends should take their favorite line to Buffalo, Detroit or Toronto, obtaining through tickets reading Canadian Pacific to Point au Baril Station, and Point au Baril Transfer Boat Line, which includes conveyance of baggage from station platform to the wharf, about 450 yards distant, and of passenger and baggage by steamer to hotel or cottage destination at the "Point."

Special Sleeping Car Service During the summer months, a special sleeping car service is maintained from Toronto to Point au Baril, on three days a week. This car is attached to Train 27 (evening train) arriving at Point au Baril early next morning, where it is set out, so that passengers can rise at a reasonable time and if necessary catch the first boat to the islands. A similar service is maintained to Toronto in the reverse direction. This service, while very convenient to all travellers, especially appeals to business men week-ending with their families.

The "Waukon" is a well built steamer especially constructed to meet the exigencies of the locality and the requirements of the traffic. This boat has accommodation for 50 passengers, and, with auxiliary boats if necessary, will be operated between Point au Baril Station Wharf and the hotels and cottages of the district.

Train Service Beginning June 25th, the following accelerated train service will be in effect to Point au Baril by Canadian Pacific;—

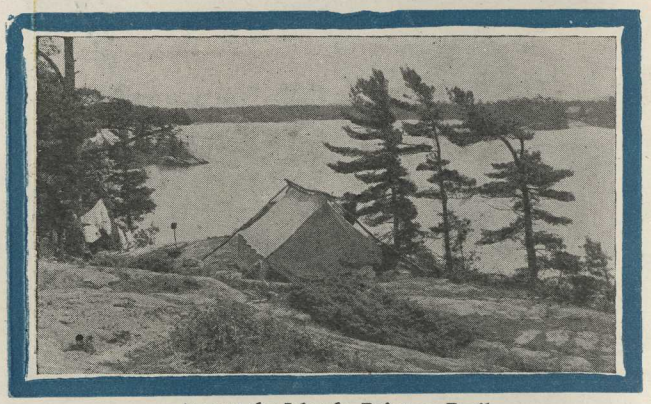
Lv. Toronto	†10.00 a.m.	* 7.05 p.m.	
Ar. Point au Baril	4.32 p.m.	1.37 a.m.	
Lv. Point au Baril	*12.55 a.m.	‡10.09 a.m.	†11.19 a.m.
Ar. Toronto	8.10 a.m.	4.00 p.m.	5.40p.m.

*Daily. †Daily except Sunday. ‡Stop for passengers for beyond Toronto only, August 1st–September 13th.

The 10.00 a.m. train from Toronto and the 11.19 a.m. train from Point au Baril will carry parlor cars. The night trains to and from Point au Baril carry a special Point au Baril sleeper on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

The steamer service at Point au Baril will connect with the 10.00 a.m. and 7.05 p.m. trains from Toronto and with the 11.19 a.m. and 12.55 a.m. trains to Toronto; and with the 10.09 a.m. from August 18th.

A regular steamer service will be maintained between Point au Baril and Parry Sound.



Among the Islands, Point au Baril

Parry Sound

Parry Sound Parry Sound, the largest town between Toronto and Sudbury, is the gateway to one of the finest regions of the Georgian Bay, which amongst its other attractions has thirty thousand islands. For charming natural beauty there are few places more favored than this. With inlands of every conceivable size and shape, separated by beautiful, secluded nooks resembling inland lakes, the district offers every inducement to the camper and fisherman. The fishing for bass and deep-water salmon-trout is good. There are a large number of very picturesque sites for summer cottages, many of which have already been utilized for the erection of some fine cottages on the islands in the waters north and south of Parry Sound. Rose Point is a charming spot about three miles from Parry Sound, reached by motor road or by motor boat, and is a popular resort for the vacationist and the fisherman.

Crane Lake Another uncrowded lake region which offers much to the summer visitor is the Crane Lake district, reached through Black Road Station, 140 miles north of Toronto. Crane Lake itself is reported to offer some of the 'lunge fishing in Ontario, while a number of the many surrounding lakes have excellent opportunities for a variety of good fishing. Mr. Vankoughnet operates the Crane Lake House (Blackstone Lake P.O., Ont.), and is in a position to furnish comfortable accommodation at reasonable rates. He will be pleased to furnish further information upon request.

HOTELS AND BOARDING HOUSES

Town	Proprietor or Manager	Plan	No. of Rooms	Rate per Day	Rate per Week	Distance from Station
CRANE LAKE (Station, Black Road, P.O. Blackstone Lake)						
Crane Lake House	A. Vankoughnet	AS	20	3.00	.....	6 [miles
PARRY SOUND						
Adanac	J. G. Haggart	ASB	24	2.50 up	15.00 up	23 miles
Belvedere	A. G. Peebles	ASB	101	5.00	25.00	5 min.
Kipling	O. M. Johus	AB	50	3.00	20.00	¾ mile
Mansion House	W. D. Quinn	E	40	1.50	9.00	¼ mile
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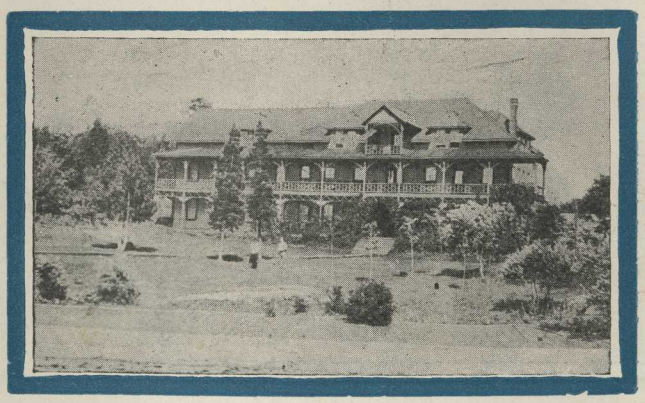
Bellevue	A. Stokes	ASCB	50	3.00	17.50 up	6 miles
Skerryvore	Miss E. M. Barker	ASB	44	4.00	20.00 up	7 miles
The Ojibway	H. C. Davis	ASCB	70	5.00	21 00 up	7 miles
The Cardinals	Mrs. H. I. Van der Hulse	ASC	6	On Application		
ROSE POINT (Station, Parry Sound)						
Rose Point Summer Resort	W. F. Thomson	ASB	75	5.00	25.00 up	2 miles

A—American Plan. E—European Plan. B—Sends own booklet. C—Has cottages for rent. S—Open in summer only (in some cases extending into fall).



Rose Point, Parry Sound

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1. A Fine String of Bass.
2. Point au Baril Light.
3. Regatta Day at Ojibway Island.
4. A Twenty-pound 'Lunge.
5. Fine Bathing Amongst the Islands.
6. Ryan Channel.

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