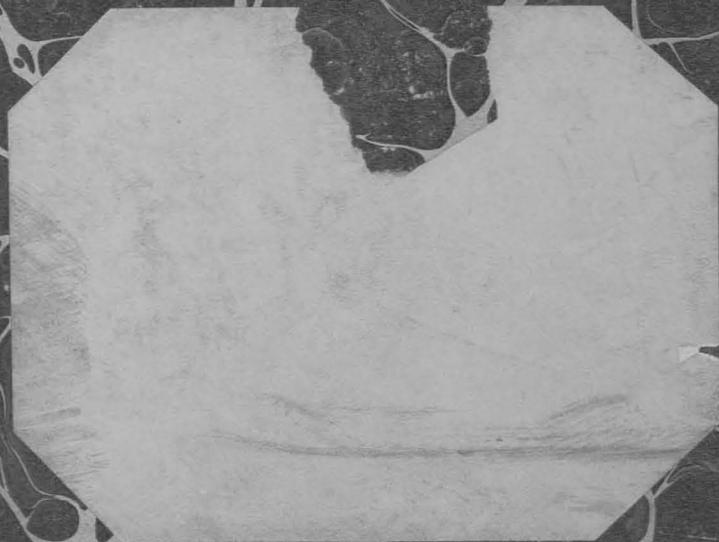


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# CHAUTAUQUA AS A CONVENTION CENTER.

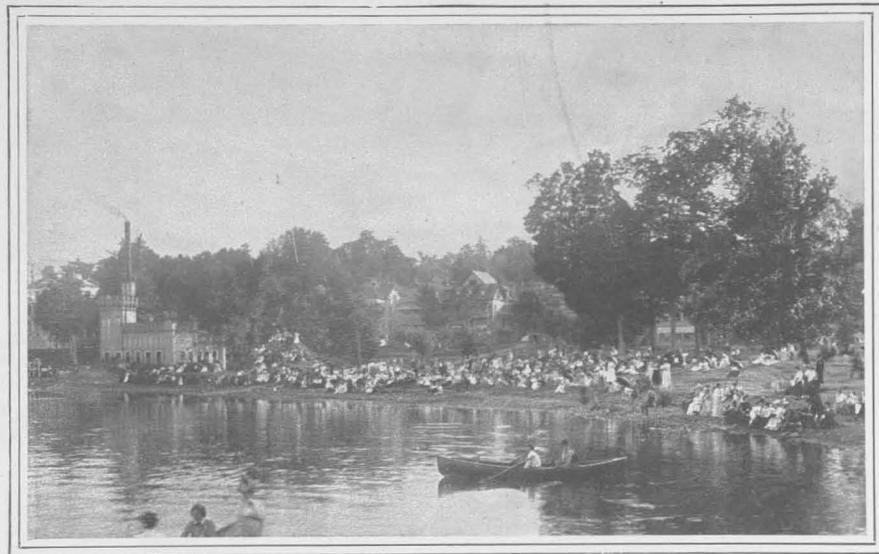


**D**URING the quarter century of its life Chautauqua has acquired a wide and favorable reputation, not only as an assembly city but also as a center of educational work and a pleasant spot for recreation. Situated 1,350 feet above the sea level on the shores of Chautauqua Lake, surrounded by hills and interesting geological formations, it is equally attractive from an esthetic point of view. The climate is all that could be desired, and the temperature is uniformly cool and the air always pure.

Situation.

Accessibility.

The primary requisite for a convention point is accessibility. Chautauqua, located almost in the center of our population, in Western New York, and at the head of the lake of the same name, may be approached almost directly by means of a majority of the large railroads of the country. Every year numerous excursions are conducted to this point by the different railroads from the Mississippi on the west, the Gulf on the south and the seacoast on



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the east. The companies are accustomed to have these excursions and they can be easily arranged for convention parties. A union ticket office has been established at Chautauqua, where tickets are sold and baggage checked to all parts of the United States and Canada. Excursions are run from many points, including the following, and the tickets are good from June 1 to October 31, except when otherwise stated:

*New York.*—1. Erie Railroad via Jamestown

and Lakewood. 2. West Shore Railroad via Buffalo and Niagara Falls (see Buffalo). 3. New York Central & Hudson River Railroad via Buffalo (see Buffalo). 4. Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad via Buffalo (see Buffalo). 5. Lehigh Valley Railroad via Buffalo (see Buffalo).

*Boston.*—1. Fitchburg Railroad (Hoosac Tunnel route) via Albany to Binghamton, thence by the Erie Railroad via Jamestown or Lakewood. 2. Fitchburg Railroad (Hoosac Tunnel route)

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and the West Shore Railroad via Buffalo, or New York Central & Hudson River Railroad from Troy via Buffalo and Niagara Falls (see Buffalo). 3. Boston and Albany Railroad, and New York Central via Buffalo (see Buffalo). 4. Fall River and Providence steamers to New York (see New York).

*Philadelphia.*—1. Pennsylvania Railroad, or Philadelphia & Reading route to New York (see New York). 2. Pennsylvania Railroad to Pittsburg (see Pittsburg). 3. Philadelphia & Erie Railroad to Corry, and thence by the Western New York & Pennsylvania Railroad via Mayville. 4. Lehigh Valley Railroad via Buffalo (see Buffalo).

*Chicago.*—1. Erie Railroad via Lakewood or Jamestown. 2. Lake Shore & Michigan Southern Railroad via Brocton and Mayville. 3. New York, Chicago & St. Louis Railroad (Nickel Plate route) via Brocton and Mayville. 4. Chicago & Grand Trunk via Detroit, Niagara Falls and Buffalo (see Buffalo). 5. Michigan Central Railroad via Detroit, Niagara Falls and Buffalo (see Buffalo). 6. Pittsburg, Fort Wayne & Chicago via Mansfield and the Erie Railroad.

*Cincinnati.*—1. Erie Railroad via Lakewood or Jamestown. 2. Cleveland, Cincinnati, Chicago & St. Louis Railroad (Big Four) via Brocton, N. Y., and Mayville.

*Columbus and Indianapolis.*—1.

Mount Vernon & Panhandle route and the Erie Railroad via Lakewood and Jamestown. 2. Cleveland, Cincinnati, Chicago & St. Louis Railroad (Big Four) via Brocton, N. Y., and Mayville. 3. Cleveland, Cincinnati, Chicago & St. Louis Railroad (Big Four) and Nickel Plate via Brocton and Mayville.

*Baltimore and Washington.*—1. Pennsylvania Railroad via Philadelphia (see Philadelphia). 2. Baltimore & Ohio Railroad via Philadelphia and Pittsburg (see Philadelphia and Pittsburg).

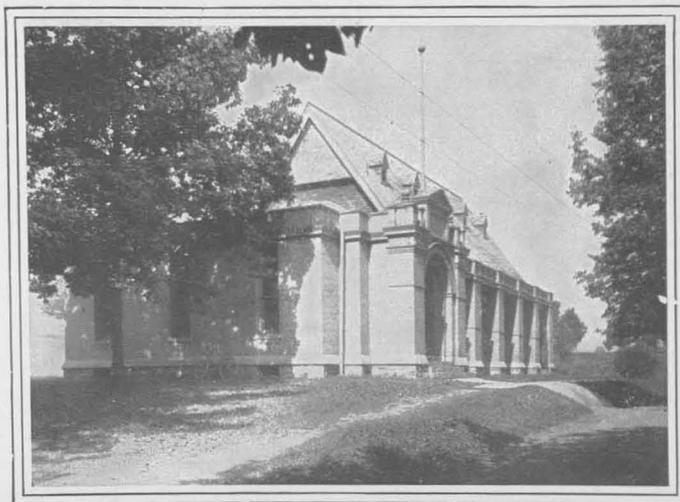
*Pittsburg.*—1. Allegheny Valley Railroad and Western New York & Pennsylvania Railroad via Mayville. 2. Pittsburg & Western via New Castle and Western New York & Pennsylvania Railroad via Mayville. 3. Pittsburg & Lake Erie Railroad to

Youngstown, thence via Lake Shore & Michigan Southern Railroad via Brocton and Mayville, or from Youngstown via the Erie Railroad via Lakewood and Jamestown.

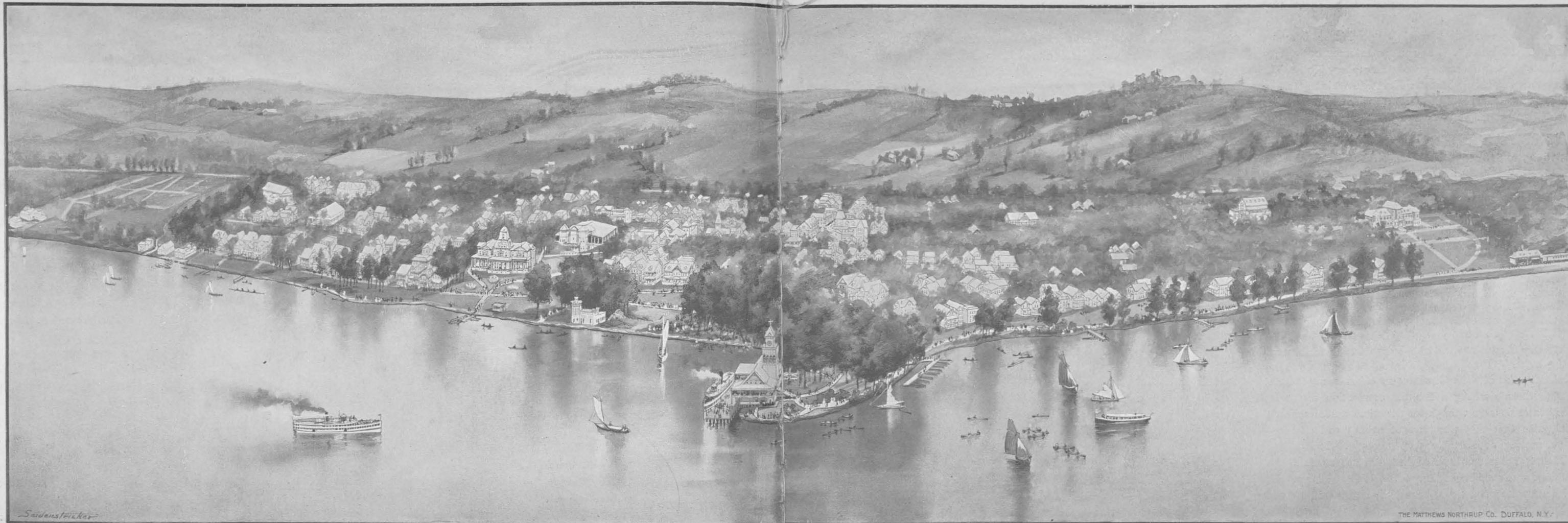
*Cleveland.*—1. Lake Shore & Michigan Southern Railroad via Brocton and Mayville, N. Y. 2. Erie Railroad via Lakewood and Jamestown. 3. New York, Chicago & St. Louis (Nickel Plate route) via Brocton, N. Y., and Mayville.

*Rochester, Syracuse, Utica and Albany.*—1. New York Central & Hudson River Railroad via Buffalo (see Buffalo). 2. West Shore Railroad via Buffalo.

NOTE.—Mayville, 3 miles from



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Chautauqua. Hotels: Thompson House, Barton House, Mayville House. Jamestown, 16 miles, 1 hour and 30 minutes by boat; 1 hour by rail. Hotels: New Sherman House, Humphrey House, The Everett. Lakewood, 12 miles. Hotels: Kent and Waldemere.

Red Stack Line of steamers and the Jamestown & Chautauqua R. R. run between Chautauqua, Mayville and Jamestown.

### ROUND TRIP RATES FROM CHIEF POINTS.

New York,	\$16 25 to \$18 50	Buffalo, N. Y.,	\$ 2 75
Boston,	14 20 to 21 30	Cleveland, O.,	5 50
Philadelphia, Pa.,	17 60	Detroit, Mich.,	9 85
Baltimore,	18 80 to 20 70	Pittsburg, Pa.,	7 00
Washington, D. C.,	19 10	Chicago, Ill.,	20 00
Albany, N. Y.,	13 75	Cincinnati, O.,	15 00
Utica, N. Y.,	10 05	St. Louis, Mo.,	28 30
Syracuse, N. Y.,	8 10	Birmingham, Ala.,	31 40
Omaha, Neb.,	40 50	New Orleans, La.,	43 55
Lexington, Ky.,	19 00	Norfolk, Va.,	23 80
Minneapolis, Minn.,	38 40	Savannah, Ga.,	46 20
Chattanooga, Tenn.,	29 00	Atlanta, Ga.,	32 10
Charleston, S. C.,	47 55	Jacksonville, Fla.,	50 00
Binghamton, N. Y.,	10 00		

Special Thirty-Day Excursions will also be run during the season.



FROM a local point of view Chautauqua offers many inducements to those desiring a suitable convention city. Its amphitheater is large enough for the most numerous body of delegates that might be present at any ordinary convention, seating comfortably 5,000 people. In addition to the amphitheater numerous halls of less size are available for committee meetings and smaller bodies. The Hall of Philosophy, Grecian in form and with open sides, beautifully situated in a grove of trees, is an inspiring place for any meeting. It will hold 450

people. Higgins Hall, at another end of the grounds, is well equipped for meetings of about 300. It is closed and weatherproof. There are also other halls equally available and accessible.

For the entertainment of guests Chautauqua presents unusual advantages. The Hotel Athenaeum, with its wide verandas overlooking the lake, is spacious and modern in every respect. It accommodates comfortably 300 guests, at the rate of \$3 a day and upwards.



HOTEL ATHENAEUM.

For conventions in early July or late August, a special rate of \$2 a day is made. Except at the height of the season, when it is crowded to its full capacity, this would be a most attractive place for delegates. There are also a great number of cottages scattered over the grounds, that furnish a home for the thousands of Chautauqua's summer citizens, and accommodations may be had at a comfortably low rate, ranging from \$5.00 to \$8.00 per week, and a corresponding day rate.

Chautauqua offers also, in addition to the opportunities for the proper conducting of the business of the convention, many other attractions for the delegates between sessions. The public lectures and entertainments during the months of July and August are well worth the trip to Chautauqua. It offers free to those inside the grounds three or four lectures each day by eminent men and women, two concerts a week, and some form of entertainment each evening, in addition to many other interesting features. It has been the custom of Chautauqua to offer free gate admission to the delegates during the convention. This is an opportunity which many have been glad to avail themselves of, as it leads them to easily become acquainted with the many interesting points in connection with Chautauqua. The summer schools, which during the six weeks' session enroll upwards of 2,500 students, are also extremely interesting to visitors, especially those wishing to study methods of instruction.

Bi-weekly excursions are run from Chautauqua to Niagara throughout the season for the small fare of \$1.50 for the round trip. This is a very popular form of recreation for Chautauqua visitors and many parties are organized for each excursion. In this way it is possible to leave Chautauqua in the morning, spend most of the day at the Falls, and return in the evening. Buffalo, the home of the Pan-American Exposition, is but two hours' ride from Chautauqua, with trains

running back and forth frequently. The Red Stack Line steamers, plying between lake points, land at Chautauqua pier at frequent intervals and carry passengers to the different points of interest. Among these may be mentioned Point Chautauqua, a pleasant summer resort, Mayville, Celoron, an amusement center, Bemus Point and Jamestown, the business center of the region. On the lake are also many row-boats and small steamers which may be chartered for private excursions. Fishing and bathing are among the popular means of recreation.

These points concerning the life and situation of Chautauqua are mentioned to call attention to the fact that it is not only a desirable place as a convention center because of its accessibility and the natural conditions surrounding it, but also because of the splendid opportunities offered to those who visit the Assembly when it is in session. It is distinctly an educational institution of the broadest type, and as such should attract conventions which have for their purpose the furthering of educational ideas and principles. It stands for the highest and conservatively broadest precepts of religion and so has become popular as a place for holding religious conventions. It is a spot for recreation and as such should attract the bodies who wish amusement and recreation while attending sessions of the convention.

The following conventions were held at Chautauqua in recent years: Past

The American Economic Association. Conventions.

The Friends' Biennial Meeting (National).

The National Association of Elocutionists.

The National Association for the Teaching of the Deaf.

Fourth General Conference District Epworth League.

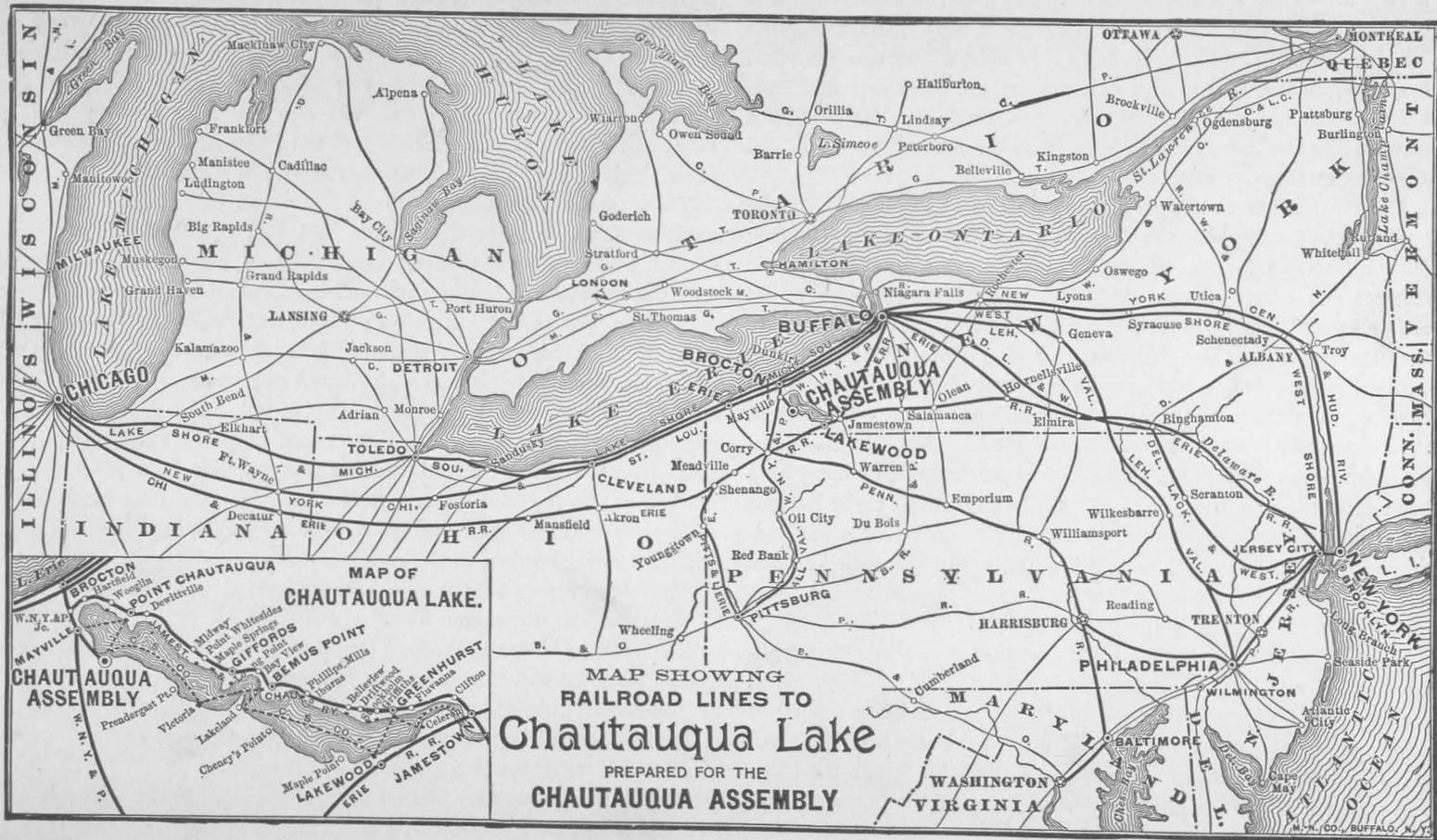
Annual Convention of the Deaconess Movement.

Further particulars may be had upon application to the Chautauqua Assembly, General Offices, Cleveland, O.

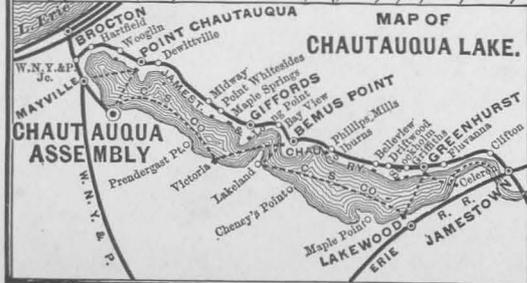
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