

# Saturday House,

JAMES RIDEOUT, Proprietor,  
HIGHLANDS. WESTERN N. C.

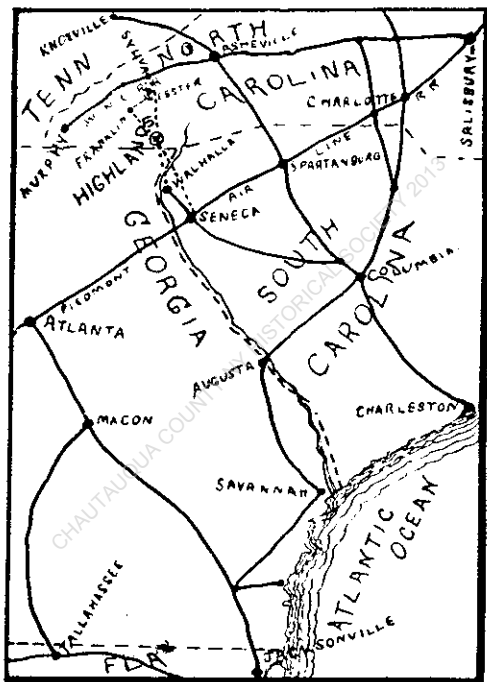


Table supplied with fresh milk, butter, eggs,  
berries, vegetables, pure spring water, etc.

For summer rates, rooms, and any informa-  
tion desired, address as above.

"HIGHLANDS STAR" PRINT.



**HO! FOR THE MOUNTAINS!**



With all the beauty at Nature's hands,  
HIGHLANDS like an empress stands.

## WHERE

# Shall I Spend the Summer?

Come up among the mountain tops,  
Then you are nearing Heaven.

**H**IGHLANDS, situated on an undulating plateau on the very crest of the Blue Ridge, at its most southern terminus, is in Macon county, Western North Carolina. It offers greater attractions as a health and summer resort than any other town east of the Rockies.

Its main street is 3,877 feet above the sea, according to U. S. Geological Survey of 1884-5. It is over 3,800 feet above Charleston, Savannah or Jacksonville; 2,767 feet above Atlanta, 2,230 feet above Mt. Airy, and over 1,500 feet above Asheville and Hendersonville. When at HIGHLANDS you are actually in the *highest town east of Colorado!*

In this pure, bracing, life-giving air it is a very luxury to breathe, a balm for all affections of the head, throat and lungs; a cure for hay fever and catarrh, and also for consumption if invalids will only come in its early stages. A few weeks or months stay will do more for those having malaria in their systems than all the drugs ever discovered, for this poison cannot remain at this altitude. A wonderful appetite, rosy cheeks and renewed energy are certain to result from a summer residence at the "Gem of the Mountains."

The countless springs of sparkling, ice-cold water, ever-flowing from the granite depths, furnish the purest and most healthful beverage known, and are among our chief attractions.

The temperature is delightful—all that the most particular person could ask or desire. The records of our Signal Service Observer show that the *highest temperature during 1889 was 84°*, on May 11th; highest in June, 82°; July, 83°; Aug., 77°; Sept., 79°. The *highest in 1890, 85°*, July 13th; Aug., 80°; Sept. 76°. The mercury rose *as high as 80° only sixteen times*, and above 80° only *eight times*, in 1890! The maximum thermometer is self-registering. The monthly means for July and August are lower at HIGHLANDS than at any other town east of Colorado. Daily forecasts of the weather are received from Washington by wire.

Pen cannot portray the beauty and grandeur and wealth of scenery on every hand. From Mt. Satulah, nearly 1,000 feet above the town, and only a few minute's walk, one looks off on a perfect maze of mountains and valleys and lowlands, extending into four States, in the distance blending like billows of the ocean with the most azure skies. On a clear day numerous towns can be seen, with a glass, from 30 to 75 miles away. Many enchanting views and points of interest are near at hand and easily accessible. The country abounds with charming waterfalls and cascades, which go leaping and tumbling, foaming and thundering, over bold precipices and down rocky canyons, a never-failing source of delight and awe.

Among the principal amusements, are numbered horseback riding along the mountain roads and drives, and fishing for the famous speckled trout in

the numerous streams. Botanists and mineralogists also find it a perfect paradise.

Mosquitoes are unknown, high winds never experienced in summer, and heavy thunder storms of extremely rare occurrence. The almost entire absence of mud, even after the heaviest rains, enables visitors to walk about at pleasure—a unique advantage.

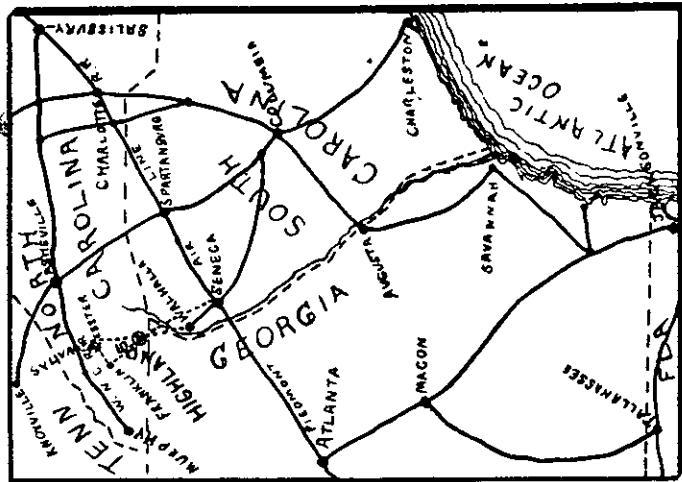
HIGHLANDS is 161 miles from Atlanta and 291 from Charleston. The nearest railroad station is at Walhalla, Oconee Co., S. C., 30 miles to the south-east, on the R. & D. system. Comfortable hacks bring visitors and their baggage up in nine hours, over a mountain road of panoramic attractions, a pleasing relief from the close and dusty coaches. Parties come from all sections of the South and various Northern cities. Some occupy their own summer residences annually.

A telephone line connects with the telegraph at Walhalla. There are good stores, skilled physicians, liveries, etc. A summer school for the children of visitors will be opened May 1st, by an accomplished lady teacher.

The most exacting person would be satisfied with the management of the numerous hotels and boarding houses. The tables are bountifully supplied with the choicest beef, mutton, poultry, pure milk, fresh butter and eggs, vegetables, berries, etc. The rates for board are from \$5 to \$10 per week, with special rates to families. It is well to engage rooms early.

Those who start the first of May will arrive when the mountains are gorgeous with azaleas, rhododendrons and other beautiful flowers.

A copy of the Highlands STAR, containing further information, will be sent to any address, on application to Coe Brothers, the publishers.



**HOTELS:**

- DAVIS, Mrs. M. A. Davis, \$7 to \$10 wk.
- HIGHLANDS, J. Jay Smith, 7 to 8 wk.
- SATULAH, James Rideout, 6 to 8 wk.
- ISLINGTON, Miss M.H.Dixey, 7 to 9 wk.
- CENTRAL, David Norton, 5 to 7 wk.

**BOARDING HOUSES:**

- Vineyard Dairy, Albert Staub, \$7 per week.
- Mrs. S. Clark, - - - - 6 per week.
- Mrs. T. D. Walden, - - - 7 per week.



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"Like a Diamond in the Sky."

# Satulah House,

JAMES RIDEOUT, Prop'r.

Highlands, Macon Co., N. C. 5-17-1891

Mr. Albion W. Tourgee -

Dear Sir: I trust you will pardon me for trespassing on your valuable time - For I have long been an admirer of your writings and often thought of writing you - But business and fear of annoying you prevented - I have read "Fool's Errand" and other works of yours - and the most interesting article in Inter-Ocean each week is from your pen - I agree with you all though -

I am from Maine - Served in Maine 7<sup>th</sup> 15 Regts from May 61 to July '66 over 5 years - Always at the front and since 68 have lived in the South viz - Alabama Fla and the last 10 years here - and have experienced either directly or indirectly all you write of in Fool's Errand. and know how it is myself

When the Election Bill came up in Congress - I to our Congressman a protest against it - as it had begged that it might be made unusual impulsion for the election of President & Members of

Congress - without any petition - The petition  
 business <sup>would</sup> kill it - where it was most needed  
 Just as Republican Post Masters are killed -  
 I published a letter of the same import in a Maine paper -  
 In June '66 while in the Army in S.C. at our Regt  
 headquarters - This question of the negroes voting for the  
 Republican party came up - and the opinion was then  
 ventured that - As soon as the Southern people were  
 freed from the Army and got the state machinery  
 in their own hands that they would not allow the negro  
 to vote the Republican ticket - But by various methods of intermediaries

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DISTANCE TO  
 Points of Interest About Highlands, N. C.

MOUNTAINS.

Mt. Satulah, altitude nearly 5,000 ft.	1/2 m.
Bear Pen Mountain, 4,400 ft.	3/4 "
Fodderstack " 4,400 ft.	1 "
Short Off " 5,000 ft.	4 1/2 "
Whiteside " 4,908 ft.	5 "
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GRAND FALLS AND CASCADES.

Naiad Cascades, 300 feet	1 1/2 "
Satulah Cascades	2 "
Satulah Falls, 60 feet	1 "
Highlands Falls, height, 50 feet	2 1/2 "
Bridal Veil " " 50 "	3 "
Norton's Cascades, 400 feet	3 "
Glen Falls, 104 ft.	3 1/2 "
Mill Shoal Cascades, 200 feet	4 "
Cullasagee, Upper, 70 feet	4 "
" Lower, 150 feet	4 "
Turkey Tail Falls	4 "
Tuckaseegee " Upper	4 "
" " Lower	4 "
Whitewater " "	4 "

CHARMING MOUNTAINS.

Sunset Rock	4 "
Kallalanta	4 "
Sedgee	4 "
The Bowery	4 "
Rock House	4 "
Granite City	4 "
Picklesimer's Cave	4 "

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and find time them away or keep them away from the polls or destroy their votes after being cast &c - so that the South would really have more representation and power in Congress than they had before the war in proportion to the votes cast. To this was replied that this end could largely be averted by an act of Congress requiring that the President & vice, and all members of Congress be elected at a separate election all over the United States - and that representation be based on the actual numbers of votes actually cast at the previous election. With the most stringent provision for investigating and punishing political fraud - ~~which~~ to be done now while we had the untrammelled power. Then if any <sup>voter</sup> persons or <sup>any</sup> number of voters were prevented in any way from voting - or did not care enough about national matters - (North or South) to exercise their right of franchise then they would not (they should not) be represented or rather <sup>be</sup> misrepresented - as occurred in this and one of that opinion still - I have often wondered that our lawmakers should be so - and are so stupid. Heaven knows who



where all this will end or when - I am not an ex-  
 tremest only when it comes to the point of final issue - Never  
 have quarrelled with any man on account of his political  
 or Religious opinions I state my views and then quit. But  
 I am down on the political cowardice of the Republican  
 party - It was this kind of cowardice that killed the force of  
 our armies for two years - Live or die South or South - I  
 believe that the salvation of our party lies in standing by the  
 faith of Jeez and Garrison and fighting it out on that line.

We have a paradise in the South here - A prosperous northern Colony  
 All white except one - 2/3 do Republican majority

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