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Present in Cameron Island Club Camp this year were J. G. Watson, Mrs. J. G. Watson, Clara Hamilton, Belle Callum, Ida Graham, John G. Read and Dr. Herman H. Sanderson. Dr. Herman H. Sanderson would go on to join Robert Morton as one of the founding members of our Camp in 1910. The Camp was opened by Mr. & Mrs. Watson and Clara Hamilton on July 14th, 1904. They were followed in by Ida Graham, Belle Callum, John Read and Herman Sanderson on August 2nd. J. Newell and E. Robinson joined the group in Camp on August 9th, the day that J. G. Watson and H. Sanderson went with Ed Paul on a canoe trip and returned on August 10th at 3 pm. On August 11th, the group enjoyed a tour around Deer Lake on the Brownell's steam ship stopping off in places to cut wood along the way. Camp closed August 12th at noon when the group was escorted out by James Kelly. (see Cameron Island Club log book 1904 attachment next page)

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The Party: Mr J. Watson
Mrs J. Watson
Clara Hamilton
Belle Callan
Ira Graham
John G. Read
Hemond H. Sanderson

Mr & Mrs Watson & Clara opened camp in
the middle^{14th} of July. They saw a great many
deer around camp before the noise of housekeeping
began and had several encounters with porcupines.
Aug 2. Ira Belle^{John} & H.H.S. arrived via Dunsmuir and
Belle's first glimpse of the woods will never be
forgotten the girls walked nearly all the way to Camp I
and could hardly speak for fear of breaking the
"impressive silence of the woods" They were enthralled.
Mr W. Gow & Clara met the party at Camp I with open arms, they had
expected us at noon and had a grand dinner prepared
with (Rabbit) stew as an entrée and no one said mustkrat
till everyone had enjoyed to his full capacity. The house
was beautifully decorated with moss suspended from the
ceiling and mingled with flags & lanterns of all colors.

It was difficult to persuade the girls that they had not reached Fairyland. The fishing was good as usual and on Saturday Aug 6, H.H.S. Caught a black bear at the lower rapids weighing 4 lbs 8 oz and no one can ever forget how it tasted after M^{rs} Watson had stuffed it with onion dressing and baked it to a turn. Then served it whole on a large platter with the head hanging over one end and the tail over the other. On the 8th Aug. Clara (an expert angler) hooked a pickerel weighing 8 lbs which was treated in the same way. On Aug 9. J.G.W. H.H.S. and the man Ed Paul made an excursion to Lake Kosshe-schel-biquand? leaving in the morning. Jno Newell & E. Robinson joined the party at Camp 11. A splendid trip in, ~~and~~ they saw 8 deer, ^{while} going up Kosshe-creek! Some fine big bucks, the party camped on White Lake and cooked fish on the old deserted stove while J.G.W. told some of the best stories in his repertoire. He was in grand form and happier than a King. It was no trouble to catch fish as we brot. out over a hundred lbs of the choicest of the catch and sent some to Windsor & Sandwich. Time of return trip 10.30 AM to 3 PM. Thursday Aug 11 we made a trip around Deer Lake on Brownell's Steam ^{boat} stopping off in places to cut wood, called at Robinson's tin house where we were refreshed with red Soda. The party: M^{rs} M^{rs} W. Clara Ida & Belle Jno R. & H.H.S. At Noon Aug 12 Jno R & H.H.S. left camp. with "Kelley's" plenty of bait aboard.