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From Seattle north and west for over three thousand miles along the coasts of British Columbia and Alaska there are the most marvelous cruising, hunting and fishing grounds perhaps in the world. Vivid blue waters, island studded, stretch encircling arms far into the depths of high and rugged mountains, whose evergreen slopes and snow covered heights combine to make a setting of unbelievable beauty. For days at a time one is completely surrounded by lofty peaks upflying from the very waters themselves. There are fjords, inundated mountain valleys, a mile or two wide and a hundred miles long. There are dead and living volcanoes side by side with dead and living glaciers, mighty frozen rivers carrying icebergs to the sea. It is a land of enchantment, of wonder—a land of the midnight sun, of the valley of ten thousand smokes—of ever shifting scenes.

And above all else it is a land of fish and game—to the man who knows and has the key. Trout, steelhead, salmon, light tackle and a slender canoe amid such surroundings. Ducks, geese, grouse, ptarmigan, falling at the crack of the close-hitting, hard-hitting twenty. Deer, caribou, moose, sheep, the young black bear and white bearded marmot, paying toll to the larder. The great grey timber wolf, and the cunning cougar pitting their wits against yours. The Alaska grizzly, the mightiest of all carnivorous animals, growing defiance at intrusion. Have you ever heard the roar of a wounded, infuriated grizzly at close quarters? The mere memory of it, years after, quickens the blood and tens the muscles!

All of this and more for the man who knows how. For years we have been hunting, fishing and exploring this country. It is raw, crude, wild; the few scattered inhabitants unprepared to care for travelers and hunters off the regular tourist routes. Yet to the man who knows how, it is so easily accessible that he may take his wife, boys, and girls into the heart of it in comfort and ease, at relatively small expense, and make big game hunters of them all.

The answer is the “Westward.” She is a sturdy, rough-hewn, eighty-six footer, wide of beam and deep of hull, faithfully designed from the type proved best for that particular coast by generations of hardy fishermen. Massive timbers, heavy construction through-
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out. three water-tight compartments, full Diesel-powered, with auxiliary sails, capable of going anywhere, anytime. Outside she is a bear—but what a contrast within! Three commodious double cabins below, a large combined living room and dining salon on deck, bath, hot and cold, salt and fresh water, roomy clothes cupboards, electric lights, hot-water heat, open fire place, comfortable lounging chairs, divans, fur rugs, book case, writing desk, gun and rod case, etc., etc.

In short she is an ideal combination of comfort, seaworthiness, and adaptability to hunting, fishing and cruising in that country for three couples and several youngsters. She carries outboard motor boat, rowing skiff, power canoe and two light river and lake canoes.

The season lends itself naturally to three cruises of about two and a half months each.

From early in April to the middle of June makes a wonderful trip. The days are long, the weather mild and comfortable, due to the Japan current. Snow lies low on the mountains, making them particularly beautiful at this time of year. Spring is in the air and it is a joy to be alive. Black bear, timber wolves, cougar and Kadiak grizzly are in season, and the skins are prime. Fishing is excellent.

From the middle of June until the latter part of August is the time above all others to take the kiddies on a long vacation cruise. There are a thousand places to go and a thousand things to do. Visiting Indian and Esquimaux villages—fishing and supplying the table with game—exploring the countless islands—climbing the mountain sides into the snow—taking camping trips by motor boat and canoe up some of the lovely wooded streams that flow into the heads of the fjords—catching and taming fawns, cub bears, seal pups, and other wild animals—taking moving pictures of game in their summer haunts. The new, low priced, light-weight movie cameras, that anyone can operate, lend themselves perfectly to extensive use on a trip of this kind.

From September first to the middle of November there is splendid hunting—deer, mountain goat, moose, caribou and sheep. The great Kadiak grizzly is down on the lower reaches of the salmon streams putting on his winter blanket of fat for his long sleep. The hide is prime—the fur not so long as in the spring, but very rich and glossy. It is the ideal time for a woman to hunt him, for there is not the arduous climbing that is necessary in the spring when he first comes out.
out from his winter quarters, high up in the mountains. Ducks and
goose are wending their way southward in great numbers and the
shooting is wonderful.

While the "Westward" is designed to stand any and all weather,
the cruising is among the islands and along the coast in comparatively
sheltered and quiet waters. At night the boat is anchored usually
in some picturesque cove or inlet, and everything is made snug and
comfortable before dark. In this way one gets the maximum of safety
and pleasure.

A word in closing. The boat is a private cruiser. The owner has
had it built recently for the use of himself and family. It is his
summer home. He usually takes one cruise each season of two or
three months—and will charter the "Westward" for the other three
or four months to desirable parties.

The boat, fuel, crew of three, (captain, engineer and cook), and
all running expenses except food, for a two and one-half months'
cruise for a party of six comes to $13.33 1/3 per day each—or where
youngsters are included, for a party of ten it is only $8.00 per day
each. Shorter trips of several weeks or a month will increase the
expense somewhat.

It is more satisfactory to supply one's own provisions. This is
easily done with the help and advice of the captain. The cost
averages a dollar a day apiece.

The staterooms each have a double bed and a single couch.
There are two single couches in the upper deck cabin. In the fore-
castlere there are eight bunks—two of which are in a small stateroom
opening into the former.

The captain is an excellent hunter and guide and takes charge
of hunting parties when ashore if desired. He is head guide for the
owner, knows the game thoroughly and loves it.

The accompanying cuts were made from snapshots taken on
recent cruises in Alaska and British Columbia waters on the Nooya,
the Westward's seventy-foot predecessor.

CAMPBELL CHURCH,
Eugene, Oregon.
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Mar 26/06.

Mr. Geo. Eastman,
State Street,
City.

Dear George:

I have written the names of the cow punchers underneath each, as directed in your letter of the 3rd inst. and think that they are correct, except that it is my impression that Perry has substituted the name of Jack Boyle for Sam Soovil apparently because Boyle happened to be in town the night he wrote you and thought he would like a set of the pictures. The No. 9 which he indicates as to left of grand stand Frank Hadseal I remember as a familiar name, and would suggest that in addition to the names written on the pictures it would be wise to send Boyle and Hadseal each a set of the prints, as they are evidently men whom we met or at least men whom Perry would like to have receive the prints.

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]

Eml.

The names Big Bill and Shag Bill
and aren't anything &c &c.
Print No. 1:
No. 1. A. B. Eastwood, Rochester, N. Y.
   " 2.
   " 3.
   " 4.

Print No. 2:
No. 1. Otto Plaga
      " 2. Harry Hart
      " 3. Jenney Murray
      " 4. Carl Smith

Print No. 3:
No. 1. Jack Boyle
      " 2.
      " 3.
      " 4.
      " 5.
      " 6.
      " 7.
      " 8.

"Frank Hadel to left in grand stand.
THE
NORTHWESTERN MUTUAL LIFE
INSURANCE COMPANY.

No. 1,999. Amount, $1,000.

Life of George Eastman
2nd day of April, 1879.

READ THIS STATEMENT WITH CARE.

This Policy is payable at death of the person insured.
Premiums payable during life, as follows:

$25 quarterly, cash payable. 

2nd day of April

Total Annual Premium, $75.00.

At the third annual renewal the dividend of the first year will be due,
and can be applied as cash towards the payment of the third year's
premium, or if the party insured is at the time in good health may be
used for purchasing full paid additional non-forfeiting insurance due
and payable with this policy at death, or temporary insurance expiring
at the end of one year, and due and payable in case of death during this year.

If payments of premium are discontinued at any time AFTER THIS
POLICY HAS BEEN IN FORCE THREE YEARS, it can be exchanged
for a FULL PAID POLICY (on which no further payments are required),
as stated in the body of the policy, provided this policy be then freed
from all indebtedness to the Company, and provided also that written
application for such exchange be made to this Company within six
months after lapsing of this policy.

If you change your place of residence and Post Office address, please
 notify the Company immediately.

L.I.P.E.-1-H. *
May 14th, 1879.

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SURRENDER OF POLICY.

[Handwritten text]

For a valuable consideration, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, we surrender to the Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Company the within Policy, No. 7893.9

N. B.—To be signed by the insured and the person for whose benefit the policy is made.

[Signature]

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