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The incidents recorded in the following pages have been neither invented nor exaggerated to any appreciable degree. I have written in the belief that the actual doings of real personages, always and everywhere, have an interest of themselves quite independent of the manner of the telling, if the telling be truthful. So much I meant to be sure of at all hazards. What we said, also, is perhaps as veraciously set forth as the average interviewer reports his unwilling victim. I have endeavored, indeed to give to the reader truthful pictures of the actual summer vacation life in the Adirondacks, to refresh the recollection of those who have camped and tramped where we did, and to bring back somewhat of their enjoyment of the lakes and mountains and streams; and also to give to others who may read these records a reasonable, vivid and fair impression of the wilderness and the experiences of summer life there. The chapters on Grayling Fishing have been added, as having at least a cousinly relationship to the general subject of the book. The wisest of men, off in the woods, on a summer vacation, are boys out of school; and they seldom carry much of the shop with them from office, store or desk. The personages who appear in the following pages are no exception to the rule. Doubtless they could have talked any amount of philosophy, law, poetry, and wisdom of all sorts; but, indisputably, they did not.