

enjoyment. Fountain Creek ripples through the place, along the banks of which are many trees—cottonwood, pine, cedar and willow. Cozey little cottages peep out here and there from among the trees, rocks, and gulches, as though afraid their secluded retreat would be discovered.

There are three large hotels at Manitou—besides several small ones. The Beebe can accommodate 200 guests; the Cliff, 100; while the Manitou House—open summer and winter, and the pleasantest in point of location—has ample accommodations for full 250 guests.

From Manitou, the distance to the following places are: Garden of the Gods, 3 1-2 miles; Glen Eyrie, Queen's Canyon, to Devil's Punch-Bowl, 5 1-2 miles; to Cheyenne Canyon and Seven Falls, ten miles; Summit of Pike's Peak, nearest trail, ten miles; Monument Park, with Mammoth Anvil, Dutch Wedding, Vulcan's Workshop and Dunce's Parliament, ten miles; Ruxton's Glen, Iron Spring and Ute Pass, 1 1-2 miles;

To *Billy Goat Canyon* the distance is 1 1-2 miles. Those who wish to hunt game as *is* game, will find that their heart's fondest desire in that direction can be gratified in this region.

We now return to the railroad at Colorado Springs, and proceed to the south. Half-a-mile south we come to Fountain Qui Bouille Creek, where our course changes to the eastward, and follows along down its northern bank. In places the bluffs are close on our left—and then some well-cultivated fields appear on either hand.

The old Military wagon road—via Jim's Camp—Squirrel Creek Divide, Russellville on Cherry Creek, to Denver—branches off to the north just before reaching the next station.

WIDEFIELD—8 8-10 miles from Colorado Springs. The fields here *are* wider than

we have seen before, and better fenced, some with wire. Passing on 4 6-10 miles, we come to

FOUNTAIN—here the sage and brush land shows the effects of irrigation. The town is a few hundred yards to our right, contains about 30 places of business and residences, situated on an elevated table-land, most of which is under cultivation.

Between the railroad and the mountains on the west, is spread out as fine a grazing section of land as there is in the State, extending southward 100 miles along the eastern base of the mountains, and from five to 15 miles in width. The old wagon road from Colorado City runs along the foot of these mountains to Canyon City, 25 miles distant

Continuing down, the sand-bluffs close in on the left, and our train rolls down on to the creek bottom, where the cottonwoods and willows are very dense, and after crossing the creek, we stop at

LITTLE BUTTES—Near this station, Little Fountain Creek comes in from the west, upon which is some fine farming land, which produced abundant crops—*never failing a crop.*



DEVIL'S GATE, WEBER CANYON, U. P. R. R.