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Its Boat House on Chautauqua Lake is to be Torn Down

WORK TO BEGIN AT ONCE

When the Old Building is Razed to the Ground an Elegant New Clubhouse is to Be Erected on the Site – New Building Will be Ready for the Opening of the Season of 1906 – Present Building Has Served Purposes of the Club For Nineteen Years – Brief Historical Sketch of the Club From the Date of its Organization.

The board of trustees of the Chadakoin club has decided that the clubhouse on the east shore of the lake near Greenhurst shall be torn down at once in order to make room for the elegant new clubhouse to be erected this spring and all members of the club are requested to take the 2 o'clock J. C. & L. E. train for Greenhurst Tuesday afternoon in order to remove the club property from the building. A force of men will be set to work tearing down the building Wednesday morning leaving only the ______ portion, which includes the locker room, shower baths and ladies room, for temporary storage of property. The club's racing shells will be stored in the Greenhurst hotel.

For several years the Chadakoin club has been contemplating the erection of a new club home to replace the present structure and it has finally been decided that the new building shall be erected this spring, work to be finished in time for the opening of the season of 1908 on the water. The plans for the new clubhouse have not been prepared as yet but it has been decided that the building will be much larger and much more conveniently arranged than that which has swerved the purposes of the club since 1889. The new building will be erected on the site of the old but will be partly over the water and there will be a new dock for the accommodation of boats of various kinds.

The club has purchased from A. N. Broadhead and the Charles S. Abbot estate, the strip of land between the clubhouse and the summer home of Ralph C. Sheldon and hereafter the club will not only have a larger clubhouse, but larger club grounds as well. Work on the new building will be commenced as soon as the plans are prepared and the season of 1908 will doubtless be the most successful season in the history of the club.

Now that the clubhouse which for 19 years has been the home of the Chadakoin club, is to be destroyed, it is timely and interesting as well to review briefly the history of the club since the date of its organization in 1889.

Boat clubs have never thriven extensively on Chautauqua lake when the Chadakoin club was founded in 1889. The last previous attempt at an aquatic organization was the Chautauqua Lake Boat club formed in 186 with great promise of success but after securing for the regatta of the National Association of Amateur Oarsman in July, 1887, the club went into decline and disbanded in the spring of 1889. Immediately after its demise a few enthusiastic watermen determined to make another attempt to form a club founded on more conservative lines, and accordingly circulated an agreement in which sthe sunbathers