



"The Last Wonderland"

IT has been the privilege of the Grand Trunk Railway System to open up, and introduce to tourists and travellers from time to time, fresh new outing places

Broadly speaking, all the "Highlands of Ontario" are the territory of the Grand Trunk, and it was by the efforts of that railway that the charm of the highlands was made known. Later when the Temiskaming & Northern Ontario Railway pushed its rails into the wilderness north of North Bay, and reached Temagami, the builders found the publicity men of the Grand Trunk already on the spot.

Through the co-operation of the railway, two attractive hotels were built on this great lake, and were ready to receive tourists by the time the first train arrived, and so it has been for the past ten or fifteen years, the Grand Trunk has pioneered until Muskoka, Lake of Bays with Temagami, Algonquin National Park, and all that vast and varied Summerland known as the Georgian Bay district, has become the Mecca for thousands of tourists from the South. And now we are coming to the Grand Trunk Pacific. Already the Prairie section of that line is under operation, and during the coming summer express trains will be running from Westfort (Fort William) to the Rocky Mountains, 200 miles west of Edmonton. There will also be stretches of the road in the Eastern provinces over which trains will travel before the end of this year. West of Quebec the line is complete for nearly 200 miles, but the "Last Wonderland," which we are to introduce here, is that portion of Canada, Edmonton to Fort George. This is a land abounding in big things, a vast and hitherto unknown section, in the central and north western part of western Canada, probably the most wild and romantic region on the American continent.

So little was known of this section that the early explorers who were pioneering and path-finding for the Grand Trunk Pacific, found waterfalls higher than Niagara, actually unknown. They also found rivers, mighty rivers, wide and deep that were from 50 to 100 miles out of place on the map.

