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famous twin cities at the head of Lake Superior is reached. The station is situated close to the wharves, and almost directly below the Prince Arthur Hotel, which overlooks the harbor and bay.

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| 1018 5 | Port Arthur  | Alt. 615 ft | Port Arthur and its neighbor to the west, Fort William, occupy a commanding position at the head of the Great Lakes. They together form |
| 1031 5 | Fort William | " 612 ft    |                                                                                                                                         |

the gigantic spout through which there pours each year the golden flood of grain from the vast agricultural areas of the Prairie Provinces, while as the connecting points between the navigation of the Great Lakes and the rail systems of the West, their importance in the transportation life of the country is paramount.

The Twin Cities have a spacious outlook. On the opposite side of the bay rises the bold rocky promontory of Thunder Cape, beyond which lies Silver Islet. Here, years ago, silver was mined in large quantities, though operations were finally stopped by an influx of water. Overlooking the harbor is Pie Island, a mountain of columnar basalt, with Mount Mackay towering to the west.

Naturally, one of the most interesting features of the Twin Cities are the facilities provided for the transshipment of grain from cars to ships, and this is effected by means of immense elevators. At Port Arthur there is located the Canadian National Railways terminal elevator, the largest consolidated elevator plant in the world, with a total capacity of 10,000,000 bushels. It has a track capacity of 30 cars, and it has been estimated that under conditions of urgency 600 cars of wheat could be unloaded in a day. With cars averaging 1,000 bushels, this feat would mean the elevating, weighing, and binning of 600,000 bushels within the twenty-four hours. The grain is conveyed in hoppers from the cars to the



The Sleeping Giant, Thunder Bay