

# NIAGARA FALLS AND VICINITY. 500

## CANADA-SIDE.

Places of interest.

### HORSE SHOE FALLS.

Height 158 feet — width 2376 feet. Sheet of water in centre 20 feet thick. Amount of water passing over every minute Thirteen hundred and fifty millions of cubic feet.

### TABLE ROCK

Overhangs the cauldron close to the Fall.

MUSEUM a few feet from Table Rock.

CLARKHILL ISLANDS AND BURNING SPRING. Half a mile from Table Rock.

RAILWAY SUSPENSION BRIDGE. Two miles below the Falls built by Great-Western B. R. of Canada in 1855 is for both Railway and Carriage use, 825 feet long, 200 feet above the water, depth of water underneath 250 feet.

THE WHIRLPOOL (See view).  $3\frac{1}{4}$  Miles below the Falls or  $\frac{3}{4}$  below the Susp. Bridge it was in trying to swim these Rapids and Whirlpool that Captain Webb came to an untimely end in 1883.

THE CANTILEVER BRIDGE. The only one of the kind in the world-built for the N. Y. Central and Michigan Central Railroads-opened Dec. 20/1883 and tested by 20 Locomotives and 24 Cars of Gravel. Its location is about 300 feet above the old Suspension Bridge-spanning a Chasm 870 feet between the Bluffs and the Rails are 240 feet above the water. The Towers are of steel 132 feet on Stone Piers 89 feet high.

LUNDY'S LANE BATTLE GROUND  $1\frac{1}{2}$  miles west of the Falls. Battle of Lundy's Lane fought July 25th 1814.

BROCK'S MONUMENT seven miles below the Falls. Erected in 1853. Height 185 feet.

MEMORANDA. Sam Patch's leap 1829. „Maid of the Mist“ passed through the Whirlpool June 15th 1861. Francis Abbot (the hermit) drowned June 1831. Blondin first crossed on tight rope 1859. The first white visitor — Father Hennepin in 1678. Rates of fare for carriages 1.50 per hour. The name „Niagara“ is a corruption of the Indian word „Onyagara“ meaning „Mighty, wonderful, thundering“ water.

## AMERICAN-SIDE.

### AMERICAN FALLS.

Height 164 feet. Width quarter of a mile — Amount of water passing over every minute one hundred and fifty million cubic feet.

### GOAT ISLAND GROUP.

Consisting of Goat Island. Bach Island. Luna Island. Terrapin Rocks. Three Sisters Island. Hermits Cascade. Cave of the winds. Biddle-stairs &c. The Islands Contain over 60 acres and are Connected with the Main-land and each other by seven bridges. Goat Island is situated at the brink of the precipice and separates the American from the Canadian Falls.

### PROSPECT PARK.

Contains about seven acres and situated at the edge of the American Falls: The principal features of the park are Prospect Point, Ferry House and Inclined Railway. Shadow of the Rock. Hurricane bridge. Ferry to Canada. Electric light and Art Gallery.

### NEW SUSPENSION BRIDGE.

For Carriages and foot passengers about three fourths of a mile below the Falls-length 1268 feet and 190 feet above the water-depth of water underneath 150 feet.

### WHIRLPOOL RAPIDS AND DOUBLE ELEVATOR.

$2\frac{1}{4}$  miles below the Falls-width of River here only 300 feet and depth estimated 320 feet. Fully fifteen hundred million Cubicfeet of water rush through this Gorge every Minute at the rate of nearly 30 miles an hour. A double Elevator — Cost 20000 Dollars and worked by water power — conveys visitors from above to the water edge.

### DEVIL'S HOLE.

Three and one half miles from Falls.

### INDIAN VILLAGE.

Eight miles from Falls.