

THE ETERNAL CITY VISITED BY EX-MAYOR G.W. SULMAN

Observant Tourist Gives The Readers Of The Planet An Account Of His Experiences In Rome—Another Of A Series Of Letters

After six hours' ride on the small Italian cars, passing Capua with its ruined amphitheatre, we arrived at Rome the Eternal City, at 11 o'clock Saturday night. Here we received the greatest surprise of our trip—instead of a gloomy, desolate and the very air breathing of antiquity, we found a beautiful city of 400,000 inhabitants, with magnificent streets and stately palaces, automobiles, electric lights, busy people; in fact, modern Rome is very much like an American city. The people dress and act very similar excepting probably that they have more freedom in Italy in the way of pleasures and entertainment, as music is played in front of the large cafes and in the public squares every evening, and the sidewalks and streets are crowded with a gay throng of pleasure seekers. We rode in an automobile from the station through the Via Nazionale, the widest street in Rome, and then through the subway, which is built of white tile and which is one-half mile long, passing under the Quirinal Hill, arriving at our hotel, which was situated on the Corso. The Corso, the leading thoroughfare, is about one mile long and lined with shops, palaces, private houses, and opening every few blocks into a wide Julius Caesar. This street for crowds of promenaders, and every day from four o'clock in the afternoon until midnight it is packed with sight-seers and pleasure-seekers.

Early Sunday morning we went to hear Mass at St. Peter's, an estimate impossible to describe this beautiful church, the lofty ceiling, the immense columns of marble, the incomparable dome, the imposing canopy, the celebrated paintings and sculpture fill one with the greatest admiration, and the church made of at description futile. We stayed in St. Peter's all morning wandering from one beautiful object to another, and, in fact, during our stay in Rome we went back several times to look at St. Peter's. The statue of St. Peter in the chair, made of bronze, carved in the 15th century, has the torso of the right foot worn off by kisses of devotees. The imposing piazza in front of St. Peter's is enclosed by large colonnades, surrounded with one hundred and sixty-two marble statues, and containing in the centre the obelisk from Heliopolis and two beautiful bronze fountains. The whole effect of the piazza, the colonnade, the facade and the dome is a picture that lives with you and can never be forgotten, as its equal does not exist.

We drove in the afternoon to the Church of St. Paul. This is built on the spot where St. Peter and St. Paul took leave of one another on their last journey. The interior of St. Paul's is most imposing. The ceiling of the nave is supported by eighty columns of white marble and is adorned with beautiful mosaics, including portrait medallions of all of the Popes. The cloisters of St. Paul's are among the finest in the world, second, perhaps, only to those of St. John's Lateran, which we visited the next day, when we were shown a table used by St. Peter as an altar, a large piece of the table on which the Last Supper was held, and many other priceless and valuable relics. We visited also the Church of St. Clement, which is the most interesting old church in Rome, as the ancient columns and the built one above the other, and when you know that the last or top church was built in 1108 you can imagine how old the others must be.

There are so many interesting churches in Rome that it would take months to visit them all. We contented ourselves with the most important—St. Maria, Maggiore with its priceless relics of the Holy Manger is profuse with mosaics, some of them made of the first gold brought from America; San Lorenzo, with the tomb of Philip, King of Spain; San Pietro in Vincoli, with its great treasure, "David," by Michael Angelo; St. Maria in Cosmedin, built in the 15th century on the foundation of the Temple of Hercules; St. Cecilia, with the interesting relics of the Patron Saint; and St. Maria in Trastevere, with its antique columns and mosaics. The Church of the Capuchins, where they have the crypt decorated with the skulls and bones of their "ancient" brethren, is a unique sight.

The new Palace of Justice and the memorial to Victor Emmanuel, which are now being built, will be two of the finest buildings in the world when completed. They are being built of white marble and adorned with hundreds of statues. The streets of Rome have many beautiful piazzas and columns. The principal fountains are the Fontana del Tritone, which is built of bronze, and are works of art. The most noteworthy columns are those of Marcus Aurelius and Trajan, embellished with reliefs depicting scenes from their wars, and many obelisks, among others a huge one dated five feet high the tallest known, and another dated 1650 B. C.

The museums, Kircheriano and Capitoline contain thousands of interesting relics and fragments of ruins, but the museum not far from the Vatican is the Vatican, with its old pictures, among which is the treasure of Raphael's "Transfiguration," and its world renowned sculptures, Apollo, Belvedere, the Laocoon, Mercury, Niobe, Zeus and hundreds more, also its incomparable Etruscan antiquities.

We visited the Loggia and Stanzas of Raphael and the Sixtine Chapel of Michael Angelo. These works of art are unequalled and remain to us in an almost perfect state of preservation, showing the climax of art reached by those old masters in the 16th century. Before finishing

about the Vatican I must mention the Swiss Guards, with their bright, gaudy uniform of yellow and red, said to have been designed by Michael Angelo, and continued in use to this time. The Pantheon, built in 27 B. C., is the best preserved building in the world of that age, and is a magnificent specimen of ancient architecture. The Pantheon is one hundred and forty-two feet in diameter, the walls are twenty-two feet thick and are faced with marble. The dome is concrete and was faced with bronze, without supports of any kind. This bronze was removed by Urban VIII, to make cannon, and weighed 450,000 lbs. The building is lighted by an aperture thirty feet in diameter in the centre of the dome, providing a beautiful effect and perfect light. The length of the dome and width are equal, 142 feet; the interior contains the tomb of Raphael, Victor Emmanuel and King Humbert. The portico is borne by sixteen Corinthian columns of granite, fifteen feet in circumference and forty-two feet high, and is imposing and awe-inspiring.

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We drove out the Appian Way and visited the Church of Quo Vadis, where Christ appeared to St. Peter and turned him back to Rome when he was fleeing from persecution. We visited the Catacombs of St. Calixtus, the burial place of the ancient Christians. We all had to have candles and follow our guide, a monk, who showed us through and gave us a good account of these remarkable old burial places. Their extent is unknown, as they run for miles, and contain the bones of thousands of the ancient Christians. The ruins of the Circus of Maxentius, where the chariot races were held, saw the ruins of the aqueduct of Claudius and the tomb of Cecilia Metella, which is in a fairly good state of preservation, and were shown the original paving stones in the Appian Way, placed there many years B. C.

We used every minute of our stay in Rome in looking at its treasures, unnumberable, and about which I must quit attempting to write. Mark Twain says there is so much in Rome to write about that the best way is to write nothing, and you can imagine, if it staggered the genius of Twain, how foolish it would be for me to make the attempt.

One night, sitting in front of a cafe, the Corso, listening to a fine band, a young lad came to our table and said in good English, "Do you want some postcards?" I turned around surprised and said, "Where did you learn English?" He said, "In Boston," that he came to the U. S. to learn the language and was now back in Rome making lots of money selling curiosities to tourists. This was a real up-to-date Roman sure.

After a week's stay in Rome we reluctantly took our departure for Florence.

G. W. SULMAN.

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WHEN I GO HOME AGAIN.

It comes to me often in silence,
When the freighted spatters low—
When the black, uncertain shadows
Seem wreaths of the long ago;
Always with throbs of heartache
That thrills each pulsive vein,
Comes the old unquiet longing
For peace of home again.

I'm sick of the roar of cities,
And of faces old and strange;
I know where there's warmth of welcome,
And my yearning fancies range
Back to the dear old homestead,
With an aching sense of pain;
But there'll be joy in the coming
When I go home again.

When I go home again! There's music
That may never die away
And it seems the band of angels
On a mystic harp to play.
Have touched with a yearning sadness
On a beautiful broken strain—
To which is my fond heart wailing—
When I go home again.

outside of my darkening window
Is the great world's crash and din,
And slowly the shadows
Come drifting, drifting
Seebing, the night winds murmur
To the crash of the autumn rain;
But I dream of the glorious greeting
When I go home again.
—Eugene Field.

AN M. P. BUT NOT A VOTER.

It is strange for people on this side of the Atlantic—with its registration of income voters in Ontario and Manitoba and its recording of all qualified voters across the border—to read in The London Daily Chronicle that, although Mr. Austen Chamberlain has been a member of the House of Commons at Westminster since 1892, he only became an elector after his marriage a few days ago, when he became a householder on his own account, and thus qualified to exercise the Parliamentary franchise. Hitherto, although an M. P., he could not legally enter a polling place. The fact was once utilized by his father to illustrate some of the anomalies and absurdities of our electoral system. "Let me take a concrete case. I have a son. He does me the honor to dwell under my roof. He is legally qualified to occupy a seat in this House, but the law will not permit him to vote in any election of a member of this House." And that son was Chancellor of the Exchequer, and controlled all the manifold strings of John Bull's purse. Yet he could not vote at a Parliamentary election!

A Davitt Story.

The Tribune of London in speaking of Michael Davitt gives this characteristic story of the Irish patriot while in prison: "This high-strung and keenly intelligent man was put to task for which he was physically unfitted, that of pulling trolleys loaded with stones through the quarry, and many a time a poor the one armed man, would give an extra pull to spare his disabled arm. A few months ago Davitt was passing down the Ludgate Hill and was startled to see this Christian criminal selling pennyworths at the kerb. Needless to say, Davitt bought his whole stock and a day or two later, and his up in business with a new and better stock. He kept straight, Mr. Davitt, so help me, God, the poor fellow protested."

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THE STAGE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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At the Brisco Opera House—
EVELEEN DUNMORE AND HER POSTAL CARDS.

Miss Eveleen Dunmore, the dainty, pretty prima donna of the C. S. Williams Company's comedy success, "The Arrival of Kitty," which is now to be seen in this city, has contracted what is known as the postal card fad, and in the dramatic profession she has been called "the postal card girl." She was probably one of the first to take up the fad of collecting postal cards, and she is now the proud possessor of eighty-one thousand four hundred and ninety-five of these postal creations and almost every country in the world is represented.

Allowing five inches to each card, Miss Dunmore has over five miles of postal cards and were it possible to stand them on end, they would be other, a string of cards would be made that would be higher than any mountain or anything else on the face of the globe. The most peculiar card in her possession is one from "Thibet" and there are also quite a number of others that are dainty and peculiar, that have been sent to her from every corner of the world. The one in particular sent to her from Thibet was from a young officer, a member of Col. Clendenning's expedition into the hermit country. The young man is a great friend of Miss Dunmore's; in fact, rumor has it that some day she may listen to the protestations of the young English officer and retire from the stage.

Miss Dunmore hopes to obtain a sufficient number of cards before the close of the tour of 1905-07 to enable her to hold the record for souvenir postal card collectors. The fad has many friends in the theatrical profession that they vie with each other in sending her cards every day, during the theatrical season from all parts of the United States, and her mail has become so large she will soon be compelled to employ a secretary.

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Heavy ribbed Cotton Hose, fast color, tan and black, reg. 20c., sale price..... 14c
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Black Lustre Skirts

1 dozen rich silky finish, black mohair skirts, 20 styles, well finished, assorted sizes, reg. \$4, sale price..... 35c

Underskirts

Black Satin Underskirts, trimmed with tucks and worth up to \$1.50 each, sale price..... 98c

Ladies' Shirtwaists

White Lawn Shirtwaists, tucked back, front collar, reg. 75c, sale price..... 35c

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CLERK JOHN WELSH, DOVER, VINDICATED

To the Municipal Council of the Township of Dover.

I beg leave to report as follows:

This article in the Wallaceburg Herald Record, of the fifteenth day of August, 1906, referring to the Municipal Printing Contracts for the Township of Dover having been brought to my attention, I spoke to the clerk with reference to the same and he assures me that he has not received a dollar out of any printing contract and that if the proprietor of the Wallaceburg Herald Record shows any such document over his signature as he alleges, that the same was obtained from him without a knowledge of its contents. I thought it best to lay the matter before the solicitors for the township and was advised by the solicitors that in view of the fact that the clerk is charged with the gravest misconduct in his public capacity that he should take some steps to free himself from the charge and that unless the clerk should take some steps promptly for that purpose the Council would have good reason for suspending the Clerk until the County Judge, under a resolution from the Council should investigate the matter, but that it would be better for the Council to wait a reasonable time to give the Clerk an opportunity to clear his character from this charge. I am informed by the Clerk that he has laid the matter before his solicitor and the clerk informed me that he expected to be in a position to advise me as to what course he would pursue before this meeting, but he now advises me that owing to his solicitor being detained out of town he has not been able to give the matter the full consideration which he wishes to give it before taking action. In view of the serious nature of the charges involved it seemed to me to be a matter of which the Council should take official cognizance at a special meeting called for that purpose, but in view of the fact that Mr. Welsh has not yet been able to obtain an opinion from his solicitor as to the course which he ought to pursue in the matter, I would recommend that before taking any steps to suspend the Clerk from his office and to bring on an investigation of the charges the Clerk should be given a further opportunity of deciding what course of action he will take with reference to the matter, and that the matter should be laid over until the regular meeting on Friday next.

The Clerk has laid the following affidavits before the Council at their meeting to-day, which speak for themselves:

C. PURSER.

Reeve, Dominion of Canada, Province of Ontario, County of Kent, to wit: In the matter of the charge of the "Herald-Record" of Wallaceburg, against the Clerk and Council of

Dover, respecting printing contracts.

I, Sydney Stephenson, of the City of Chatham, in the County of Kent, Publisher, do solemnly declare that I am the proprietor of the printing and publishing house carried on under the name "The Chatham Planet" at Chatham, Ontario.

2.—That I have read the editorial in the "Herald-Record" of Wallaceburg, of the 15th August, 1906, headed "DOVER MUNICIPAL PRINTING GRANT."

3.—That I have done a lot of printing for many years for the Township of Dover, and for about the last two years the contracts that I have got for printing from the Township of Dover have been obtained on tender after fair competition.

4.—The tenders go in for each class of work that the Township requires to be done, and are not bulk tenders, and the Council has been in the habit of dividing up the work to the lowest tenderers for each class, a prudent and economical method, and the Township gets the lowest rates of printing for each class of work that they require to be done.

5.—During the whole of the time that I have been doing printing for the Township of Dover, I have never, either directly or indirectly, paid any commission upon the work done by me as aforesaid, to the Clerk of the Township of Dover, nor to any Reeve, Councillor, or other officer of the Township, nor have I paid him or them or any of them any consideration whatever for obtaining such printing, nor have I paid them any part of the price of the printing, nor have I paid or done anything that might in any way be fairly characterized as grafting.

6.—In all my relations with the said Township of Dover in connection with the business aforesaid, I have never known any dishonest proposition being made by the Clerk of the Township, neither directly or indirectly.

And I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing it to be true and knowing it is of the same force and effect as if made under oath and by virtue of "The Canadian Evidence Act, 1893."

S. STEPHENSON.

Declared before me at the City of Chatham, in the County of Kent, this 28th day of August, A.D., 1906.
J. G. REBE,
A Commissioner, &c.

Similar affidavits are in the hands of the Council from A. C. Wood, ward, proprietor of the News, and W. R. Baxter, printer.

The following resolution was unanimously carried at a special meeting of the Council, held in the office of the Clerk, on Tuesday, 28th inst., all members of the Council being present:

Moved by Joseph Lewis, seconded by John M. Terry, that the report of the Reeve to the Council re the charges of the Wallaceburg Herald-Record, in reference to the Clerk, be adopted, and that the said report and affidavit be published at once in both of the Chatham Daily and Weekly papers.

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