

QUEBEC TO WINNIPEG

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Quebec

eastbound, between Quebec and Cochrane, have brought East and West closer together. But little over a year ago when the through tri-weekly service between Quebec and Winnipeg was inaugurated it was predicted it would not be long before the equipment then adopted - a four-tier sleeping car would soon outlive its limited accommodation and warrant a more commodious service. That day has arrived and the "Nationals" now carry as part of their regular equipment a through standard electrically heated sleeping and dining car.

The "Nationals" via the shortest route between Quebec and the Prairie City are catering to an ever increasing travel and the latest improvements, which make them modern trains in every respect, will no doubt add to their popularity.

The full service is shown in the "Red Folder," a complete time-table of trains operated by the Canadian Government Railways.

Quebec is unique among the cities of the continent of North America from its age and interesting historic associations. Everywhere are monuments of eventful history, places about which volumes have been written to tell only a small part of their romance. There is place after place in Quebec where one may step out of the bustle of to-day back into the seventeenth century. It is the old and the new to-day being always side by side with the past. Quebec is most picturesquely situated on the base and summit of a lofty crag, projecting into the St. Lawrence, which was discovered by Cartier, who spent the winter of 1535 at the base of the cliffs, and was soon afterwards made a trading centre for furs by his compatriots. As the settlement grew, fortifications were constructed, and the town became the stronghold of French Canada, and so remained until captured by Wolfe's forces in 1759. The magnificent Chateau Frontenac is every summer filled with guests from all over the world, as also are the other hosteries. From the citadel, which crowns the summit of the cliff, and from Dufferin Terrace, the esplanade at the base of the citadel, a view of indescribable beauty is obtained. Trolley cars carry passengers to the various places of interest, such as Montmorency Falls, and to Ste Anne de Beaupré, Canada's most famous Shrine, where thousands of afflicted persons journey every year. The large and handsome Redemptorist Church with its costly furnishings and beautiful paintings contains pyramids of crutches near the entrance doors as evidences of the miraculous cures that have been made at the Shrine.

Quebec is also a city of very great business importance. Being the terminal point for the Transatlantic Mail steamers during the season of navigation, a large portion of the exports and imports of the Dominion passes through this port, while as a wholesale distributing centre the city is advantageously situated and well established. There are many important and varied industries.

The Quebec Bridge

In its general dimensions as well as in the enormous size and weight of the structural members composing it, the Quebec Bridge surpasses any other structure of the kind ever erected. The one bridge structure in the world that approaches it in magnitude is