

and whoever shall experience this rare pleasure will carry away vivid and enduring memories.

The bridal chamber is the most attractive of the several rooms. The bed quilt, which is of large size, is a marvel of skillful and elaborate workmanship. It is a combination of 19,732 pieces of satin of every conceivable shade and color, forming a whole of the richest and rarest effects.

The most remarkable feature of the Octagon's unique exhibits is the casket in which the professor intends to be buried. At the foot of a staircase on the fourth floor is a kind of a vault set in the wall. This vault is kept under lock and key, as it contains this wonderful casket, which is Egyptian in shape and is upholstered inside with no less than 7,425 small shells formed of white satin, the outside being covered with heavy black satin, elaborately embroidered in gold. The lid is a heavy full length piece of finest plate glass. Kingly form never rested in a richer casket. This, also, is the work of this strange man. Thousands of visitors to Octagon Castle have viewed it with awe and admiration.

While Octagon Castle is one of the greatest curiosities, it is at the same time a resort for parties in quest of recreation and for those who seek a quiet and charming retreat. Pleasant rooms are provided, with a liberal table, and tourists may find here a peaceful home for a brief or a prolonged stay.

The views from the Octagon are at once extensive and beautiful. A landscape for twenty miles in extent is presented to the eye, including Conception Bay, in which may, far into the Summer, be seen icebergs, and lovely lakes, meadows and forests, with all the lights and shadows by which the sun lights up this beautiful land.