

# Rome, Watertown <sup>AND</sup> Ogdensburg R. R.

## IMPORTANT FACTS.

THE public is respectfully informed that by taking the Rome, Watertown & Ogdensburg Railroad to Clayton (to which point solid trains are run from Niagara Falls, Suspension Bridge, Rochester, Charlotte, Oswego, Syracuse and Utica), from four to twelve hours in time, and from ten to fifty miles in distance, may be saved en route to St. Lawrence River points, the White Mountains, Sea-coast resorts of Maine and Canada. These solid trains carry elegant coaches and Wagner Palace Drawing-room Cars on day trains, and Sleeping Cars on night trains; they run direct to steamboat dock at Clayton, and make immediate connections with the palace steamer "St. Lawrence," the queen of the fleet of seven steamboats running in connection with the R., W. & O. R. R., and the largest, swiftest, costliest, and the most comfortable boat on the St. Lawrence River, for Round Island, Thousand Island Park, Alexandria Bay, Westminster Park, and all resorts among the Thousand Islands. The St. Lawrence is now equipped with a new and powerful electric search light, which dispels the darkness of night, making it clear and bright as noon-day. Electric light excursions have been arranged for every night during the summer. First-class meals are furnished on the steamer at price of 50 cents each. Connection is also made at steamboat dock at Clayton, without transfer, with powerful steamers of the Richelieu & Ontario Nav. Co. (Royal Mail Line Steamers) for Montreal, Quebec, the River Saguenay and Lower St. Lawrence, passing all the Thousand Islands and Rapids of the River St. Lawrence by daylight. We wish to emphasize the fact that the steamboats running in connection with the R., W. & O. R. R. are staunch, safe boats, built expressly for, and adapted to, the waters they navigate; that they are not old boats remodeled, nor boats brought from calm and smooth river waters, and therefore unfit for navigation on such a large body of water as Lake Ontario, liable to sudden and violent storms. By taking the R., W. & O. R. R. to Clayton, the traveler avoids the unpleasant and monotonous trip over Lake Ontario, with its inevitable "mal de mer" when the lake is rough, and also the liability to delays and detentions when the lake steamers haul off from their regular trips and refuse to leave their moorings at Charlotte or Oswego, on account of squalls on the lake or tempestuous weather. The fast trains of the R., W. & O. R. R. run every day, unhindered by squalls or stormy weather, and passengers are always certain of making connections. These trains are run to Clayton expressly to avoid the lake trip, and to enable tourists and pleasure-seekers to enjoy among the Thousand Islands, the loveliest river resort in the world, the time thus gained, and which otherwise would be consumed in an uncertain and uninteresting lake passage.

The track has been re-laid with steel rails, the road-bed newly ballasted with gravel and stone, and the train service has been augmented and improved by the introduction of new, heavy and powerful locomotives, especially designed to haul heavy passenger trains at a high rate of speed.

In former years, before the construction of through rail lines to the River St. Lawrence, this business was compelled to go via lake ports, but the R., W. & O. R. R., realizing the great dissatisfaction occasioned by people being obliged to take the lake route, extended its rail line to Clayton, and established there the central point of the St. Lawrence River Steamboat System. Clayton at once became the great objective point for all travel destined to the St. Lawrence River, and the perfect train service, with its steamboat connections, maintained by the R., W. & O. R. R., meets the exacting requirements of all classes of travel.

St. Lawrence River and Thousand Island passengers will find it to their interest and comfort to take the R., W. & O. R. R. at Niagara Falls, Suspension Bridge, Rochester, Charlotte, Syracuse, Oswego or Utica.

## Routes and Rates for Summer Tours.

A beautiful book of 200 pages, profusely illustrated, contains maps, cost of tours, list of hotels, and describes over 500 Combination Summer Tours via Thousand Islands and Rapids of the St. Lawrence River, Saguenay River, Gulf of St. Lawrence, Lake Champlain, Lake George, White Mountains, to Portland, Kennebunk, Boston, New York, and all Mountain, Lake, River and Sea-shore Resorts in Canada, New York and New England. It is the best book given away. Send ten cents postage to General Passenger Agent, Oswego, N. Y., for a copy before deciding upon your summer trip.

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