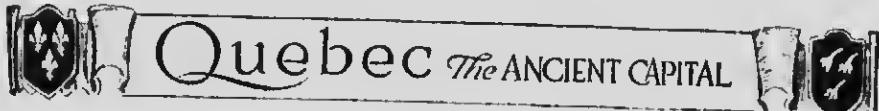




Looking down the River

offering, doubtless, of some youth who valued it above all his possessions. It was the best material gift he could make in token of his gratitude to La Bonne Ste. Anne. The offerings thus made are of every class. The solid gold and silver in the treasury have already been referred to, and there are besides costly watches, some richly adorned with jewels, down to the humble habitant's offering of his cheap ring or even his favorite tobacco pipe.

In the vicinity of the church are a number of objects of interest. There is the fountain, to the waters of which marvellous virtues are ascribed, and there is the grotto by the roadside. In the old chapel are many things which were in the church of 1666, on this site, and there are curious paintings, each of which has its history. The Seala Santa, on another part of the hill, is a copy of the stairs on which the Saviour walked on the way to and from judgment. These stairs are intended to be ascended kneeling, with a prayer at each of the twenty-eight steps, and strangers who wish to reach the upper floor will find ordinary stairways by going around to the rear on the first floor. Then there is the convent of the Franciscan nuns, where meals may be had, and to many visitors a very curious place is the burial ground with its peculiar monuments. On the hill above this is the Calvary with the open air Stations of the Cross, each cross having in it a piece of stone from the Holy Land. In the immediate vicinity of the church are numerous hotels and

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