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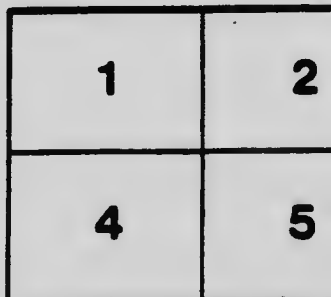
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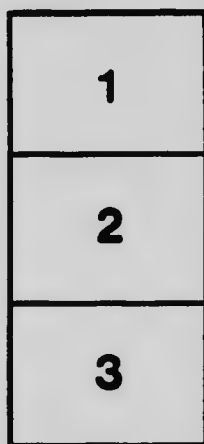
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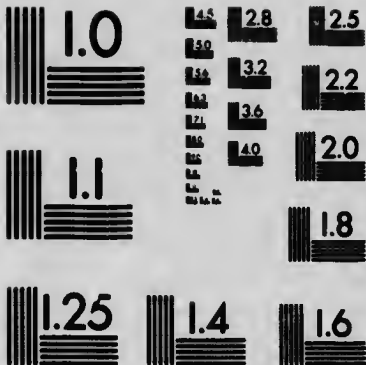
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" The Thousand Isles ! the Thousand Isles !
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 Kissed by a thousand red-lipped flowers ;
 Gemmed by a thousand emerald bowers ;
 A thousand birds their praises wake,
 By rocky glade and plummy brake ;
 A thousand cedars' fragrant shade
 Falls where Indian's children played ;
 And fancy's dream my heart beguiles,
 While singing thee, the Thousand Isles."



No wonder the first of the United Empire Loyalists, having struggled up the rapids in rude bateaux from Montreal, thought he had reached his promised land when he arrived at the foot of the Lake of the Thousand Isles and landed upon the present site of beautiful Brockville.

He had given up his comfortable Colonial home in New England rather than forsake his connection with Old England ; had brought his wife and children through forests and hardships to Canada ; had returned himself to fight throughout the war against many who had been firm friends until the flame of rebellion had broken out, and, when all was lost, had made his way to Canada to commence life once more, with nothing but stout hands and heart wherewith to hew out a new home for himself and those he loved.



Among the American Islands of the St. Lawrence.

Upon the site selected has arisen a city as charming as any in Canada—"Brockville," as christened by Canada's hero, Major-General Sir Isaac Brock, and the "City of the Thousand Islands," as she is designated by many tourists and visitors.

Here the St. Lawrence flows majestically seaward; a body of the purest water, nearly two miles wide, and averaging an hundred feet in depth. The flow past a city of such a stream would of itself form a charm sufficient to attract thousands, but, dotted as it is with many beautiful islands, the situation of Brockville is beyond comparison.



Revere House, Brockville.

Here is an ideal spot in which to spend one's summer holidays. The yachtsman may sail to his heart's content upon the clear bosom of the old St. Lawrence eastward of the city, while the canoeist may cruise among the lovely islands above, thirty of which have been purchased from the Indians and preserved as a public park. Under the cool shade of these he may idle away the hours, gaining the much needed rest. Or on these islands the pleasure of picnic parties may be enjoyed, or from them he may plunge into the green depths and refresh himself by bathing.

At Brockville good hotel accommodation can be obtained at the Revere House, which is well equipped and conveniently situated.



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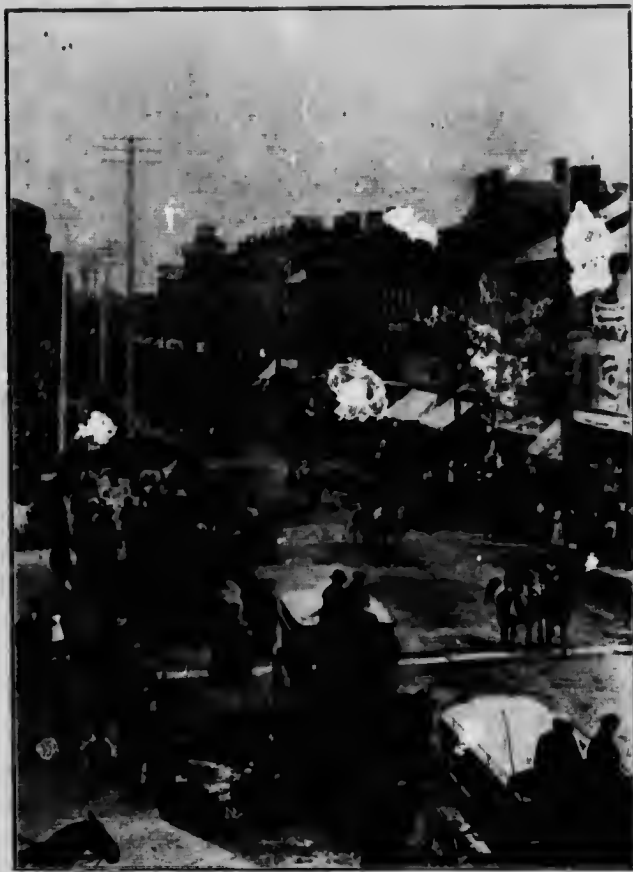
Senator Fulford's new Residence at Brockville.

Along the beautiful banks many well-to-do Brockvillians have built themselves magnificent homes, while others perhaps not as well off have purchased river lots west of the town, where they spend the summer months in cottages of varied sizes and shapes. These cottages extend for a distance of upwards of seven miles, more or less scattered from one another. Ottawa and Montreal citizens have been attracted by the charms of the situation, and have here built for themselves summer residences.



Lily Bay, at Hillcrest, in the Brockville Park.

To provide easy and pleasant means of access to the city for these summer residents, the Brockville Navigation Company has an excellent ferry service, running four round trips per day between Brockville and Union Park, a charming resort seven and a half miles up the river, stopping *en route* at five conveniently located wharves. It will be noticed in the time bill that the steamer leaves Union Park at 7.15 a.m., thus bringing the business men and pleasure seekers to Brockville at 8.00. At 9.30 a.m., 1.30 p.m. and 4.15 p.m., round trips are run to Union Park and return, occupying nearly two hours in making the trip, and affording as pleasant a little sail as can well be imagined. A pretty and circuitous route among the islands is taken, and many visitors to Brockville enjoy one or more of these trips daily. At 6.15 p.m. the steamer runs again to



A Bit of King Street, Brockville.

Union Park, carrying up the tired business man to his summer home, to enjoy the evening upon the banks of the river in coolness and quiet.

"AROUND THE HORN."

On Tuesday of each week in July and August, the staunch and swift steamer "Brockville" makes a trip of sixty-five miles, for which she was especially designed, and which has become famous as the finest trip on the River St. Lawrence. It is designated as the "Trip Around the Horn." Leaving Brockville at 9.30 a.m., with an orchestra on board, the handsome and commodious craft runs up the river (westerly) a distance of thirty miles,



Steamer Brockville.

entirely through Canadian waters, calling at all points along the Union Park route, at Poole's Resort, a famous fishing summer hotel, eighteen miles above Brockville, and at the pretty little Canadian village of Rockport (two miles further west), where is situated a popular hostelry known as the Island View House, and thence through what is perhaps the prettiest group of islands in the St. Lawrence, called the Carnegie group. The tourist has been carried through the prettiest and most picturesque Canadian channels, where the islands are much the same as Nature made them. He has been through narrow passes where no other steamer of the same size as the "Brockville" travels. Now the course is directed across the river to American waters, and the scene changes, for the



In the Carnegie Group, Canadian Islands.

tourist comes suddenly among a number of fashionable watering-places and islands, upon which millions of dollars have been spent in the erection of magnificent summer homes of wealthy Americans. It is about time for luncheon, so (although a lunch may be obtained on board) a stop of three-quarters of an hour is made at Thousand Island Park, a veritable city of summer cottages.

From Thousand Island Park to Alexandria Bay, six miles easterly (we are now "around the horn"), the islands are all built upon, and the skill of architects and landscapers is now seen in varied forms. Millions of dollars have been spent upon these islands by wealthy Americans from various States



A Regatta Day at Brockville.

of the Republic, among the most striking of which may be noticed the Pullman Castle, at which the celebrated Pullman family of Chicago congregate each summer. To give a list of the names of millionaires who have built summer residences upon these islands would occupy much space, and would give but little idea of the appearance. Among these islands, also, has been erected the Thousand Island Club, a magnificent building erected by its members, all of whom are supposed to be millionaires.

It may be remarked that in running through these islands, the channel taken by the steamer "Brockville" is varied from the regular channel, and a view of these magnificent buildings and islands is furnished which cannot be obtained upon



The "Brockville" passing through Brockville's Island Park.

any of the regular passenger steamers. The "Brockville" winds in and out among these islands, in many cases going so close to them that one can almost jump ashore; but yet the passengers are assured perfect safety, because the management has taken precautionary measures, at some expense, to lay out this trip for their patrons.

Alexandria Bay is the Mecca of the Thousand Islands, and is one of the most famous summer resorts on this continent. Here the steamer stops for about an hour, and the time is pleasantly passed by her passengers wandering around the magnifi-



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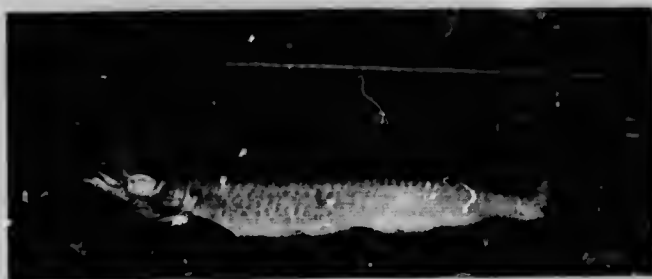
cent hotels or through the Japanese Bazaar, where curios in unlimited varieties are offered for sale.

On leaving Alexandria Bay, the steamer passes through another group of beautiful islands, and, turning her course northward, again runs across to the Canadian channel. The trip home is now quickly made, and Brockville is reached at six o'clock sharp.

WEEKLY OGDENSBURG TRIP.

On Friday of each week the "Brockville" runs through from Union Park to Ogdensburg, touching at all the wharves along her regular route, and at the Canadian Pacific Railway Wharf, Brockville, which she leaves at 11.15 a.m. Three hours are

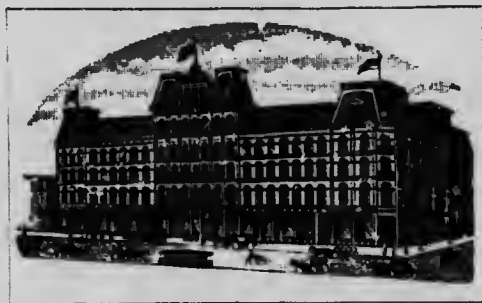
given to her passengers in the *Maple City*, and they are brought back to Brockville, arriving there at 4.15 p.m. This weekly excursion, which is run at the low cost of 25 cents, is one of the most popular



A 30-lb. Maskinongé, caught at Hillcrest (in the Brockville Park), by ex-Mayor D. S. Booth.

of the company's trips, for many avail themselves of the opportunity of seeing the pretty little American city twelve miles down the river.

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