

The St. Lawrence Route to Europe

To travel via the St. Lawrence Route adds immeasurably to the pleasure of a holiday or business trip overseas. To journey down the great river enjoying the grandeur of majestic cliffs and primeval forests, the beauty of green sunlit meadows and of the quaint towns and villages which dot the shore, to see the many places famous in history and legend that pass before one in entrancing panorama, comes as a delightful and never to be forgotten prelude to the Ocean voyage.

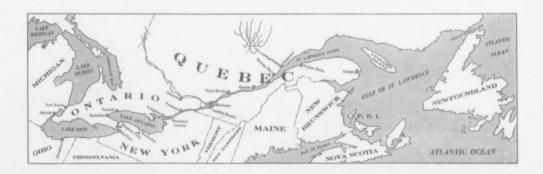
Associated with a trip down the St. Lawrence are the stories of the pioneer French explorers - that gallant and picturesque band of soldiers, sailors and churchmen who left their mark on the New World. It was up this great river and across the great lakes that Louis Ioliet, accompanied by Father Marquette, and several years later, Sieur de La Salle and his few followers, made their memorable pioneer vovages by canoe to the St. Ioseph (now the Illinois) river and the Mississippi. In 1535 Jacques Cartier journeyed up the river to the Indian village, Hochelaga (now Montreal). In 1608. Samuel de Champlain sailed up its waters and founded Quebec. Roberval, Maisonneuve, Laval, Frontenac, Wolfe, and Montcalm are others of the famous names inseparably connected with the story of the river.

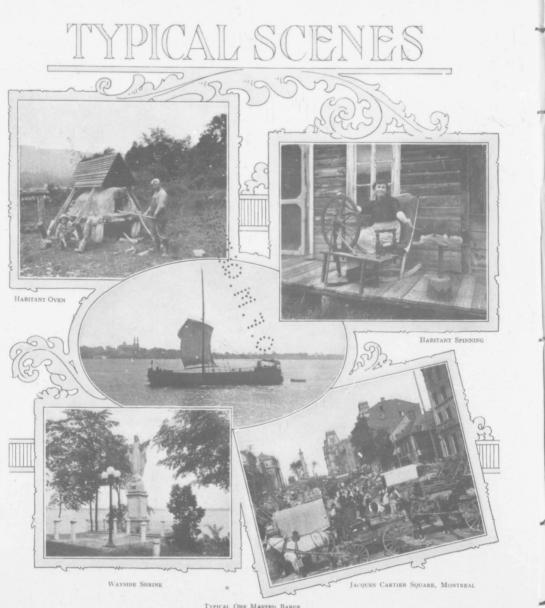
Along the banks of the St. Lawrence are many places that still retain much of the charming quaintness of more than two centuries ago. They are indeed parts of the Old World transplanted into the New.

In addition to the pleasure and historic interest of the river trip, the enjoyment of the Ocean voyage itself is enhanced by the passage down the sheltered waters, which helps the traveller to become accustomed to the vessel before reaching the open sea.

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In the following pages is a very brief outline of some of the many interesting places which may be embraced in the itinerary of those who take the St. Lawrence Route to Europe. Comment on Niagara Falls, Toronto, and certain points West of Montreal, from which port the Ocean Liners sail, is included for the benefit of tourists who may wish to plan to visit some of these places en route to the steamer.





TYPICAL ONE MASTED BARGE



Niagara Falls

NIAGARA must be seen to be appreciated. It is one of the great wonders of the world. Falling in an almost solid wall, the entire outflow of five Great Lakes thunders over the edge of the precipice 160 feet high, amidst a perpetual shower of spray through which the sun shines in a gorgeous arching rainbow.

On both sides of the river beautiful parks form a soft dark green setting in which the cataract, like a huge gem, sparkles and flashes with fascinating brilliancy.

Almost underneath, a small steamer approaches the base of the Falls through the mist, and takes the visitor, garbed in oilskins, to obtain, from below, a closer view of the tremendous mass of falling water.

A visit to Goat Island, a view of the famous Suspension Bridge, and a trip over the river, above the Whirlpool Rapids, in the hanging cage of the great cable bridge, are all in the day's journey.

Then, on an electric railway at the river's edge, one may travel for about an hour down the deep rocky gorge through which the troubled waters wildly dash, twisting, turning, boiling, whirling. The continuously wonderful and thrilling view of the Great Whirlpool, and of the entire course of the Rapids will never be forgotten.



RAPIDS IN THE NIAGARA GORGE



SUSPENSION BRIDGE AND WHIRLPOOL RAPIDS

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THE NIAGARA RIVER FROM QUEENSTON

Queenston Heights

A^T Queenston, a visit to Queenston Heights unfolds to view a panorama of many miles of most picturesque scenery.

From Queenston (or Lewiston on the United States side) a steamer carries one down some miles of winding river, the slopes on either side of which are high and for the most part beautifully wooded, until as Lake Ontario is approached the land becomes clearer and slopes down gently to the water.

Toronto The queen city of canada

 $\mathbf{F}^{\mathrm{ORTY}}$ miles across the lake — two hours by steamer — lies Toronto, "The Queen City" of Canada. Steaming through the Harbour one sees the canyons of the commercial and financial section, centering around King and Yonge Streets, including the highest building in the British Empire and the lofty tower and "Big Ben" of the City Hall, and notes the harbour improvements under way, which, when completed, will give Toronto one of the finest inland harbours in the world.

Travellers who prefer it, may take the train journey from Niagara Falls to Toronto, passing through "The Garden of Canada," which, particularly in blossom-time with its riot of color, make: an indelible impression on the minds of all who are fortunate enough to see it. The train passes through Hamilton, "The Birmingham of Canada," and enters Toronto by way of the famous Sunnyside Boulevard on the shore of Lake Ontario, where will be seen the Club Hou as of the widely known canoe clubs, an amusement park, bathing beaches and pavilions, and other Summer attractions.

Although a manufacturing and industrial center, Toronto is a beautiful, clean, well paved city of



SECTION OF THE WATERFRONT, TORONTO

pretty individual homes, fine public buildings and picturesque parks. It is the capital of the Province of Ontario and is proud of the beautiful and dignified Parliament Buildings, situated in Queen's Park. Close by are the many handsome edifices of the University of Toronto; also, the General Hospital, which latter, in design and equipment, is one of the inest on the continent.

Toronto is internationally famous as the home of the Canadian National Exhibition, the greatest annual fair in the world, boasting an attendance of a million and a quarter people in two weeks. The beautiful permanent buildings are situated in Exhibition Park, on the Lake front. A little West, just behind Sunnyside Boulevard, is High Park with its wooded hills and valleys whose natural beauties are still preserved.

The Thousand Islands

FROM Toronto, Montreal may be reached either by train or by the famous boat trip through the Thousand Islands and the several rapids of the upper St. Lawrence River.

Leaving Toronto in mid-afternoon on one of the handsomely appointed steamers, travellers wake up next morning in time to enjoy the unparalleled beauties of the Thousand Islands.

The boat winds through a veritable fairyland in and out — sometimes almost touching the



SHOOTING LACHINE RAPIDS



KING STREET TORONTO, NEAR YONGE STREET

islands as it passes. At each turning a new and more enchanting scene bursts into view — here a beautiful little sylvan paradise — there a wonderful Summer palace, nestling among the trees at the water's edge or perched high above on a rock. Islands, and islands, in infinite variety of shape and beauty stretch as far as the eye can reach on every side.

The Rapids

SOON the traveller gets the first taste of shooting the rapids. The Galops and Rapids du Plat are the first, then comes some real excitement as the boat shoots through the nine miles of the Long Sault Rapids. Some miles further on the Coteau, Cedar and Split Rock Rapids and the Cascades are reached. In succession come boiling, bubbling rapids, quiet, sparkling little lakes and beautiful little wooded islands.

The interest and excitement of the passage increase until after passing through Lake St. Louis, the boat shoots the Lachine Rapids whose channel is the most intricate and tortuous of the whole series. The headlong violence of the current is tremendous and the big steamer is swept along like a light canoe.

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ST. JAMES CATHEDRAL, MONTREAL



WESTMOUNT PARK

Montreal THE METROPOLIS OF CANADA

THE river boat, leaving the rapids, slips into less troubled waters, glides under Victoria Jubilee Bridge and into the harbour of Montreal, the Metropolis of Canada, and one of the great cities of the American Continent.

Montreal is ideally located on an island where Inland and Ocean Navigation meet one thousand miles from the sea. In the background, magnificent Mount Royal towers above and dominates the landscape for miles around. From vantage points at the top of "The Mountain" one may view the city and the mighty St. Lawrence in glorious panorama.

Montreal is a veritable eldorado of famous landmarks, telling of nearly 300 years of thrilling history. There is a charm to the way in which the ancient and modern meet which captivates and entrances. If one is interested in modern atmosphere he may visit St. James Street, the money centre of Canada, or some of the city's many up-to-the-minute shops, the Universities, the Cathedrals, the theatres, the Art Gallery, the fine hotels, and parks. On the other hand one may revel in scenes possessing a wealth of historic romance. In Place d'Armes Square is the beautiful Church of Notre Dame. which has a seating capacity of 10,000, and whose great bell, "Gros Bourdon," weighing 24,700 pounds -is the largest suspended bell on the continent. Facing Notre Dame Church, stands the monument

to the founder of the city, Sieur de Maisonneuve, who at this spot successfully led the colonists in the first of their many bitter struggles with the Iroquois, and who killed the Indian Chief with his own hand.

Not far away stands the Chateau de Ramezay, the dwelling place of the Governors of Montreal



NOTRE DAME CHURCH, MONTREAL

during the French Regime, and where Benjamin Franklin set up a Printing Press in 1775.

Nearby is Bonsecours Church, built in 1657, with its beautiful altar, and from the tower of which may be obtained a splendid view of the harbour.

Montreal is the greatest grain exporting seaport in the world, and, in North America, second only to New York in total shipping. The harbour from which the Cunard and

Anchor-Donaldson steamers sail extends along the river for 16 miles, and as the steamer slips from the quay, forms an impressive panorama of huge grain elevators, cold storage plants, coal discharging plants, immense piers and loading apparatus.

Down the River

SAILING down the St. Lawrence from Montreal one is all the while in close view, on either side, of constantly changing scenery whose beauty will never fade from memory. The stone churches,



ST. JAMES STREET, MONTREAL (LOOKING EAST)



VIEW FROM MOUNT ROYAL, MONTREAL

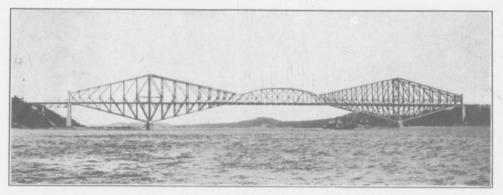
the trim habitant houses, the picturesque windmills, and the deep and narrow farms, indicative of the old and very sensible group settlement plan of rural Quebec by which the homes were brought together on the front roads, creating close community life instead of semi-isolation — all are typically, distinctively and charmingly French-Canadian.

Among the many points of historic interest are the Barony of Longueuil; Longue Pointe, now a suburb of Montreal; Vercheres, where in 1692 the Maid of Vercheres, 14 years of age with her two younger brothers and an old man over eighty years of age, held the Indians at bay and thereby saved the settlement; Sorel, at one time the summer residence of the Governors of Canada; Three Rivers, founded by La Viollette, (sent there by Champlain in 1634), at the junction of the St. Maurice and the St. Lawrence Rivers. The St Maurice pours into the St. Lawrence in three streams, hence the name — Three Rivers.



CHATEAU DE RAMEZAY, MONTREAL

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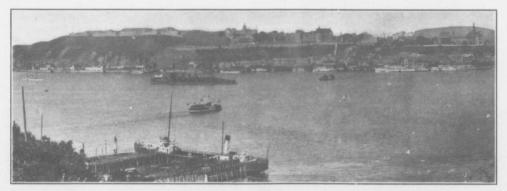
THE QUEBEC BRIDGE

Quebec A SECOND GIBRALTAR

A FEW miles from Quebec, the steamer glides under the great Quebec Bridge, which is one of the engineering wonders of the world, and soon an indistinct mass in the distance takes the more definite form of the ancient citadel, poised on the giddy heights of massive rock—a second Gibraltar.

Quebec is Canada's chief Military Station and next to Gibraltar, the strongest Fortress in the British Empire. A walled fortification with gates surrounds the old city. The fortifications and best residential section, or "Upper Town," are on the upper levels, and the business part and older portion of the city are at the base of the cliff.

The citadel is on the highest point, facing the St. Lawrence, 340 feet above the river and a wall from the citadel runs along the top of the promontory to a point near the roadway, between upper and lower town.



QUEBEC CITY, FROM LEVIS

The possession of this stronghold in olden days meant the possession of a goodly part of the North American continent. It was founded by Samuel de Champlain, in 1608, twelve years before the "Mayflower" touched the shores of Massachusetts. Old Quebec, with its mighty fortress, its frowning battlements, its narrow cobblestone streets, its monasteries and cathedrals, has the quaint irresistible charm of an ancient old-world capital.

Plains of Abraham

I F the traveller has arranged his itinerary to arrive in the city a day or more before the steamer is due to leave for the Old Land, he will find many features of absorbing interest in and around Quebec, not the least of which is Battlefields Park — formerly "The Plains of Abraham" where in 1759, was fought the last great battle between the French and English on this side of the Atlantic. There, are Monuments to Wolfe the victor, and to Montcalm the vanquished —



MONTMORENCY FALLS



SOUS LE CAP, QUEBEC

one, to the former, in the Park; and a joint one near the Citadel.

A few miles from the city, and reached by electric car, are the Falls of Montmorency, famous for their grace and beauty. Here the water falls 250 feet, or nearly 100 feet more than at Niagara. Close by the Falls is the Kent House, now a charming hotel, but at one time the residence of the Duke of Kent, father of Queen Victoria, when as Colonel of the 7th Fusilliers, he was stationed at Quebec.



VIEW FROM CITADEL, QUEBEC

HISTORICAL POINTS

Upper Left—Gen. Monicalm's Head-Quarters, Quebec Upper Right—Varcheres Monument, Vercheres

THE end of July, 1759, saw the commencement of the struggle around Quebec. Six weeks later, on September 13th, 1759, the English troops under General Wolfe scaled the Heights of Abraham and tempted the French, under General Montcalm, to battle on the Plains. Wolfe died in the moment of victory and Montcalm, mortally wounded, died the following day. The city surrendered a few days later.



GEN. WOLFE'S HEADQUARTERS, MONTMORENCY



STE. ANNE DE BEAUPRE

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BEYOND Montmorency is the shrine of Ste. Anne de Beaupré, known the world over for miraculous cures, to which a huge pile of crutches bears silent but none the less eloquent testimony. The original chapel was built about three hundred years ago, as an act of devotion, by a party of sailors who, being overtaken on the river by a violent storm, believed that their escape was an answer to their prayers to the good Saint Anne. Unfortunately, the church itself was destroyed by fire in 1922, but hardly had the embers cooled when plans providing for immediate restoration were drawn, and construction of the magnificent new Basilica was started. The many other points of interest at the shrine are still quite intact.

The Saguenay

ONE delightful all-day trip is from Quebec to renowned Murray Bay and Tadousac and up to Chicoutimi, on the Saguenay. This river, with its dark water, 700 feet deep, and its rugged precipitous banks towering 1600 feet above the water, presents scenery of solemn unsurpassed grandeur.

From Quebec, on the last stage of the trip down the river, one finds everything wonderfully homelike and comfortable. In almost no time one is settled down to enjoy the many miles of rugged shore line—high rocks and primeval forests, with here and there meadows and picturesque little villages and towns. 145 miles from Quebec, the mighty Saguenay River enters the St. Lawrence. A little farther down, at Father Point, the pilot is dropped and the ship speeds on towards the Gulf, past the Island of Anticosti, and through the Straits of Belle Isle, or via Cape Race to the open sea.



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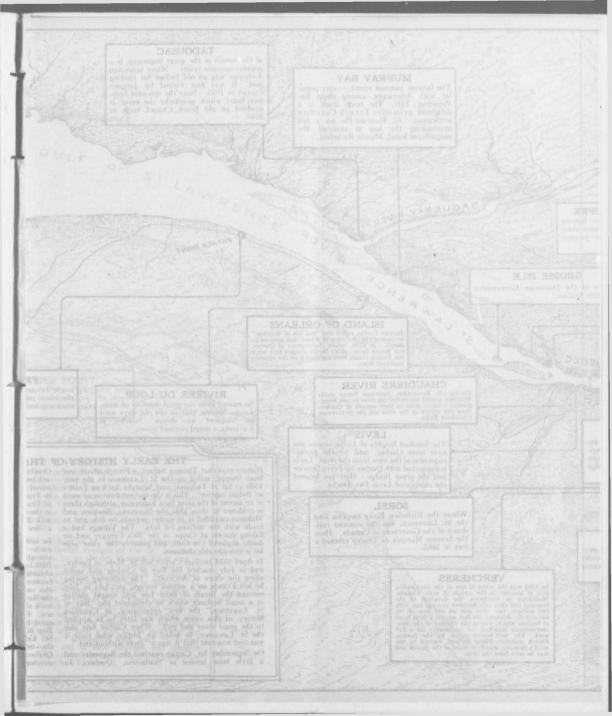
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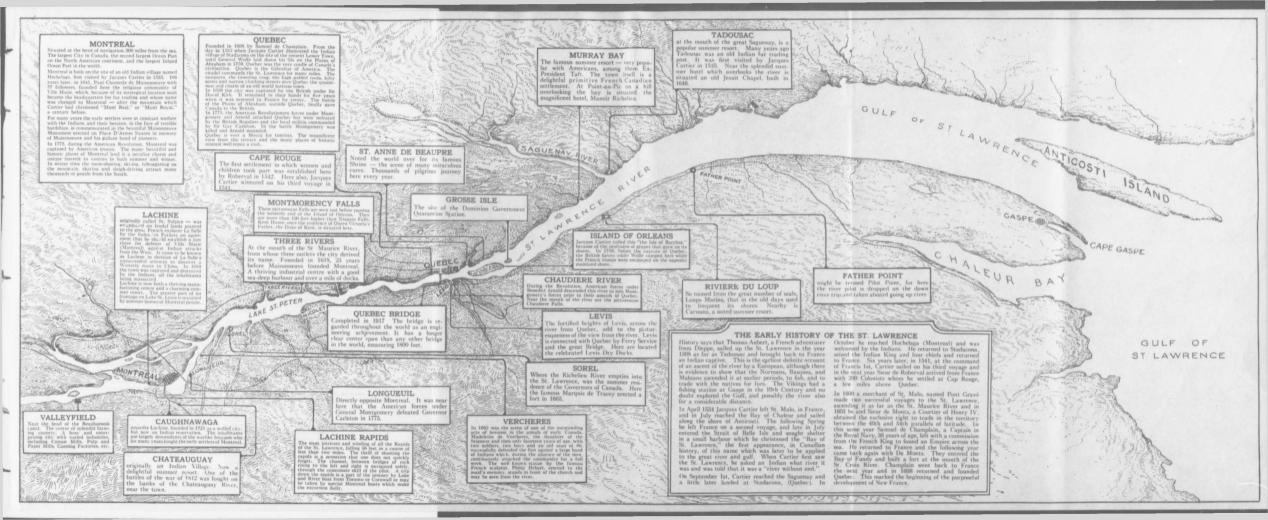
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