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Why Not Do It?

We have heard a great many complaints for Mr. Bertrand's scheme of improving Bridge square and Hennepin and Nicollet avenues to Washington avenue.

The plan contemplates a new union station and beautifying the entrance to the city in such a manner as to change the entire character of lower town.

It goes without saying that if such improvements were made on lower Nicollet and Hennepin, every piece of property below Fourth street would be greatly benefited by the change.

The union station would also bring to Minneapolis for transfer, many of the people who now make the transfer from eastern to western roads in St. Paul.

It is impossible to get up any controversy over the value of such an improvement. Now why not do it at once?

Has the pure food bill been seen by the packers? The interstate commerce commission, on the eve of the passage of the rate bill by the senate, got after the Pennsylvania Railroad company with a big stick.

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Up to Saturday night the senate had not decided whether to build a sea-level or lock canal, or both.

Two Tarnished Heroes.

Echoes of the Russo-Japanese war are heard in the report that the military court martial has condemned to death General Stoessel and Vice Admiral Nebogotoff, the "hero of Port Arthur" and the man who surrendered a large squadron of the Russian navy to the Japanese.

It is a long time since high military officials have been executed by their governments for traitorous conduct or incompetency.

General Stoessel was at first hailed as a hero because of the length of time Port Arthur held out, but when it did surrender evidence was obtained that it should have held out longer.

It would have made the most considerable difference to Russia had they done so. One result would have been that Nogi's army of seasoned veterans, instead of being at Mukden turning the flank of the Muscovites, would have been hurling innocuous shells against the solid walls of Port Arthur.

As far as Nebogotoff is concerned he had only one thing to do and that was to go down with his ships if he could not fight them to a successful conclusion.

The probabilities of the extreme punishment being meted out to these fell leaders need not be speculated upon. The fact that they have incurred the penalty is sufficiently significant.

No matter what the Ohio legislature may think, Ohio's statesman, George B. Cox, is proud of Foraker.

Graft in the Pennsylvania.

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The grain of salt is hereby removed from Senator Foraker's declaration that he has no presidential aspirations.

AMUSEMENTS

Metropolitan—Frisco Films.

The whole story of the San Francisco disaster is told at the Metropolitan theater by means of pictures. The display opened last night. Rarely or never has the wide-awake photographer had the opportunity that the earthquake and following fire afforded.

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C.P.R. DOES HONORS ON NEW STEAMSHIP

CELEBRATION ON EMPRESS OF BRITAIN AT QUEBEC.

The Fine New Craft the First of the Trans-Atlantic Line to be Put On by the Canadian Pacific System—Northwestern Men Attend the Celebration.

From a Staff Correspondent. Quebec, May 17.—Quebec has again become a history-maker, or the scene of history-making. Yesterday this old city, which has rested on its historic laurels for more than a century, saw the culmination of an event which is a sign of the times, the mark of a new era in the history of Canada and of North America.

This event was an inspection of the vessel by more than a hundred steamship agents and newspaper men from all parts of the country, including W. B. Chandler, city passenger agent of the Soo line, Minneapolis, and more than a score of others from the twin cities, Duluth, and the middle northwest.

Luncheon on Shipboard. Following the inspection a luncheon was served in the grand saloon of the ship. This was an affair of the utmost elegance, in strict keeping with the appointments of the steamer. No expense was spared to delight the company's guests. It brought the enthusiasm of those present, which had been aroused by the splendors of the Empress of Britain and the historical significance of the occasion, to a fever pitch, and when the white-haired but gallant Captain Stewart arose to propose the first of the toasts, "The King," the crowd broke into ringing cheers. The toast was then drunk in silence, after which "God Save the King" was sung with spirit.

Captain Stewart then proposed the toast "The President of the United States." Cheers greeted this toast also, and P. A. Bromley of Minneapolis responded to the toast, catching the spirit of the moment and preparing the way for the enthusiastic singing of "The Star-Spangled Banner."

The Bluff Captain. Showing the amity existing among the rival lines, sailing vessels from St. Lawrence ports, George Hannah, a veteran officer of the Allan line, proposed the toast, "The Empress of Britain and the peace, which is exceeding good, and every crisis ends in wholesome comedy."

Ernestus Winch, the rascally guardian of good food and the Zenus Meek, the justice, is well acted by George McCabe. Albert Hall makes a satisfactory Tom Dexter and Georgine Gray plays a charming heroine. The comedy part acceptably, J. E. Nichols, as Ezra Quick, the slow belloy, and Louise Valentine, as Tabitha Dale, sister of the heroine, are well acted.

A Magnificent Ship. All Captain Stewart had to say of his great ship was that he was "proud of her." And well he may be. Seasoned travelers, whose knowledge of the trans-Atlantic service of other companies is of the widest and whose judgment may be relied upon to the utmost, said yesterday, after a thorough inspection of the Empress of Britain, that there was no finer ship, no ship offering more comfort and greater elegance, sailing the Atlantic.

Her maiden trip, completed at Quebec last Saturday, the partly a stormy voyage, showed her to be a ship that in large measure, indeed almost wholly, eliminates the terrors of seasickness. She rides the waves, even when they are stirred by storms, on an even keel and her engines drive her along at high speed with remarkably little vibration. Her great length—569 feet—presents and the and unobtrusive little pitching. Even in the storm of the

EMPIRESS' FIRST VOYAGE, HER CHIEF ENGINEER SAID IT WAS NOT NECESSARY TO USE PLATE RACKS ON THE TABLES AT MEAL TIMES.

After the luncheon, the guests of the company were given an opportunity to visit historic and beautiful Montmorency Falls, beside which stands the house of the duke of Kent, the father of Queen Victoria, occupied by him in 1971. Many, however, devoted the time to a visit to the older and intensely interesting parts of Quebec, which, it is predicted, will soon largely disappear before the march of commerce, Quebec into a port of the first importance in transatlantic traffic.

New Spirit in Canada. The climax of enthusiasm on the part of hosts and guests alike, at the celebration of the introduction of the new line of Canadian Pacific steamships as a factor in Canadian-American progress, was reached last evening at a dinner at the Chateau Frontenac, the magnificent hotel built by the Canadian Pacific railroad, overlooking the St. Lawrence river at a point celebrated in history. Robert Kerr, traffic manager of the Canadian Pacific system, presided. A speech was made by him from that of Mr. Kerr to that of The Minneapolis Journal representative, as speaker for the northwestern delegation, that did not contain some allusion to the importance of the new steamship service from Quebec, as an evidence of a greater Canada, a Canada which will be a factor of supreme importance in the commerce and affairs of the world.

It showed more plainly than anything else could the new spirit that is leaving all of Canada today, and the Canadian present last evening were full of brimming over with it. Not only officials of the Canadian Pacific, but officials of the Allan and Dominion lines, were present and cheered the movement. Rivalry was forgotten in the union for a greater Canada, a Canada of fully developed resources, west and east, in the west where its influence will be felt in addition to the growth of the twin cities and their territory in the United States, and in the east, where it will remake the map of Quebec, a great northern American empire.

Salvation Army Represented. A significant speech was that of Brigadier Howell, transportation agent of the Salvation Army, a guest at the celebration. He said that this year his organization would bring across from England not less than ten thousand and probably fully fifteen thousand thrifty but needy men and women, who would be given at once permanent employment in the Canadian west. He said that last year 5,000 such workers had been brought over, thus refuting reports, given currency in the United States, that not over six hundred Salvation Army immigrants were employed in Canada. Four steamships have been chartered outright for the immigration work of the army this year.

Day in Montreal. At midnight the guests of the Canadian Pacific departed by special train for Montreal, where they spent the day today, visiting, still as they were, the city of the company, the sights of the city and being entertained at luncheon and dinner at the Place Viger hotel. Tonight the trip of the northwestern party eastward was made under the direction of W. B. Chandler, city passenger agent of the Soo line in Minneapolis. Every comfort was looked after, and the party reached Quebec fresh and keen for the evening celebration, which they played an important part. So pleased were the members of the party with their treatment that at the close of the banquet at the Chateau Frontenac last night, they presented Mr. Chandler a handsome pocket kodak.

Northwestern Party. The northwestern party of steamship and newspaper men consisted of Mr. Chandler, G. H. Warren, G. W. McMillan, Archie McFaul, J. W. Dreger, H. A. Solberg, E. A. Bromley, John O. Weldt, William G. Shepard and W. P. Kirkwood, Minneapolis; L. M. Harmsen, Conrad O. Searle, H. W. Kelsch and H. B. Curry, St. Paul; A. J. Ferris, H. E. Mitchell and J. D. Morrissey, Duluth; L. M. Enger, Decorah, Iowa; G. Skarviedt, Canton, N. D.; J. O. Thorson, Grand Forks, N. D.; J. H. Norbury, Two Harbors, Minn.; D. O. Anderson, Cambridge, Minn.; E. N. Brathen, Hayward, Wis. —W. P. K.

Go to New York on the Lehigh. Double Track Scenic Highway. Connects at Buffalo or Niagara Falls with all lines from the West. Write Passenger Department, Lehigh Valley R. R., 218 South Clark St., Chicago, Ill.

Minnesota Congregational Club. And their friends will celebrate its annual outing at Carlton college, Northfield, Minn., Friday, May 25. Special train via Rock Island Lines will leave Milwaukee station at 8:30 a.m. Tickets \$1.20 for the round trip.

Low Outing Rates. Tickets on sale Friday and Saturday of each week until Oct. 31, at the rate of one fare for round trip to Hennepin, Clitheral, Bartley Lake, Fergus Falls, Bemidji, Pine River, Walker and Deerwood, on Northern Pacific railway. On sale Saturdays to Detroit and Perham at same rate. Children of half-fare age. Tickets good to following Monday. G. F. McNeill, C. T. A., 19 Nicollet block, Minneapolis, Minn.

Depression in its worst forms will Nerve Pills, aided by Carter's Little Liver Pills. They not only relieve present distress but strengthen the stomach and digestive apparatus.

CADETS DRILLING FOR MEMORIAL DAY MARCH



CADET CARL WILLEN, Company G, First Regiment. —Photo by Miller.

Tonight at the army camp: School of the battalion for officers of all companies, special drill for Company A, First regiment, and regular drills for Company B, First regiment and Company C, Second regiment.

This is the last week before the Memorial day parade, a whole division of which has been assigned to the Journal cadet brigade. Cadets should not only be certain to attend their regular company drills, but the special drills that will be held. One of these is at 2:30 Wednesday afternoon for boys who attend the half sessions of school. It will be conducted by Majors Ives and Mullin, and is for all cadets, irrespective of companies.

It is important that the officers of all companies should be at the school for instruction in the memorial exercises tonight at the campus. The officers must understand the movements in advance of their companies in order to act in capacity of instructors later on.

Cadets at their company drills this week should be prepared to report whether they can be depended upon to attend the G. A. R. memorial exercises at the Auditorium next Sunday evening. The cadets are to appear on the stage and a rehearsal of the part they are to take in the exercises is to be held at the Auditorium Saturday morning.

One Fare Plus 25 to Des Moines and Return. Account General Assembly Presbyterian Church, May 25-29, the Minneapolis & St. Louis railroad will send round-trip tickets May 14 to 17 and 21 to 23. Return limit May 31. Two superb trains daily to Des Moines without change. Call on J. G. Rickett, city ticket agent, 424 Nicollet avenue, for full particulars.

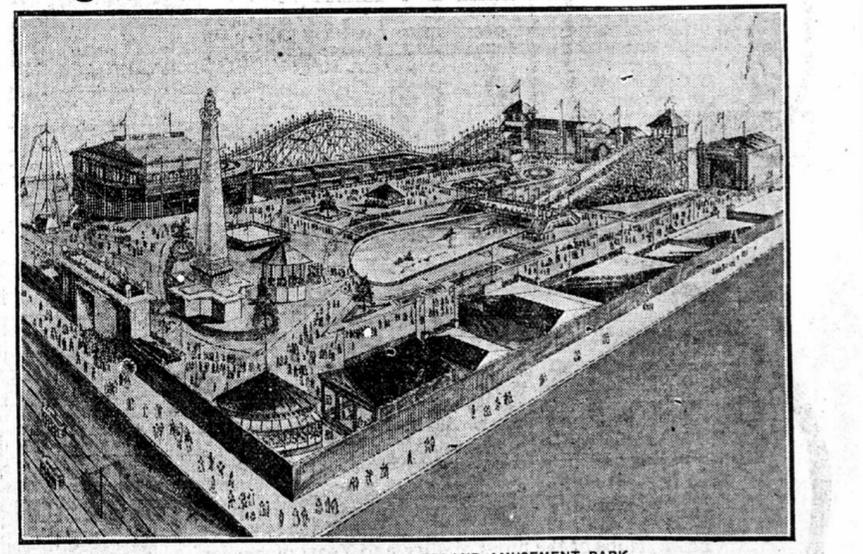
Be pleasant until 10 a.m., then, if you need any help, resort to good old Pinkieck Bye.

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Looping the Loop Will Be the First Big Outdoor Feature at Wonderland



A BIRDS EYE VIEW OF WONDERLAND AMUSEMENT PARK.

Loop the loop, the bicycle sensation, has been selected to head the program of outdoor amusement features for the opening week at Wonderland. The act is well remembered in Minneapolis in connection with the Elks' fair. At the first fair after "looping the loop" had been advertised no rider could be found to accomplish the feat and five eye experts who attempted it were seriously injured, one of them afterwards dying. A year later it was successfully accomplished at the second Elks' fair, and still stands as the most daring and difficult of all bicycle feats.

There have been variations of the act that have given it more awe-

inspiring names, but they have all been sensational flights at New York and Chicago, steering his airship against the wind and making a complete circle, several miles in diameter, and returning to the point from which he started.

Alberta Gallatin comes to the Metropolitan Thursday evening for an engagement of three nights and matinee in the charming comedy, "Cousin Kate." Miss Gallatin is a beautiful and accomplished southern girl who has won distinction in emotional roles in the past few years, and who has scored equally as strong a success this season in the role of the free-speech bachelorette girl in "The Henry Davies" comedy of English home life.

The Unique will present its big new comedy bill this week, which has made the hit of the season on the eastern circuit. Two plays are included, one by the Edith Doney company, and the other by the Robert Athal players. The marvelous Merritt sisters, singers and dancers, and the Armando brothers, European acrobats, are also high-class features in a bill replete with entertaining novelties.

The presentation of "At the Rainbow's End" at the Lyceum theater for the first time on any stage, yesterday, was the most notable dramatic event of the year, having a local habitation and a name. Ralph Stuart, the popular star of the Lyceum's forces, appeared in this new play as joint author with Franklin Fyles, dramatic editor of the New York Sun. Two of the largest audiences of the season welcomed the Ralph Stuart players at both performances, and if hearty, enthusiastic and long-continued applause counts for anything, the playwrights are to be congratulated for their beautiful, romantic play. The evening performance was made notable by the presence of a large number of eastern managers and friends of the author. Several prominent actors were in the audience, having been drawn to witness the performance in the hope of securing a proper vehicle for themselves.

THIS DATE IN HISTORY

- MAY 21 1084—Rome, taken by Henry IV. 1595—John Knox, founder of Presbyterianism, born. 1542—Ferdinand De Soto, discoverer of the Mississippi, died. 1782—General Wayne defeated near Sandusky. 1821—Mexico conceded the right to found an American colony in Texas. 1874—First express train between New York and Buffalo. 1874—Miss Nellie Grant and A. C. F. Sartoris married in the White House. 1877—Rumania made proclamation of independence. 1894—Suspension bridge across Ohio river at Portsmouth fell. 1890—McKinley tariff bill passed the house, 162 to 142.