

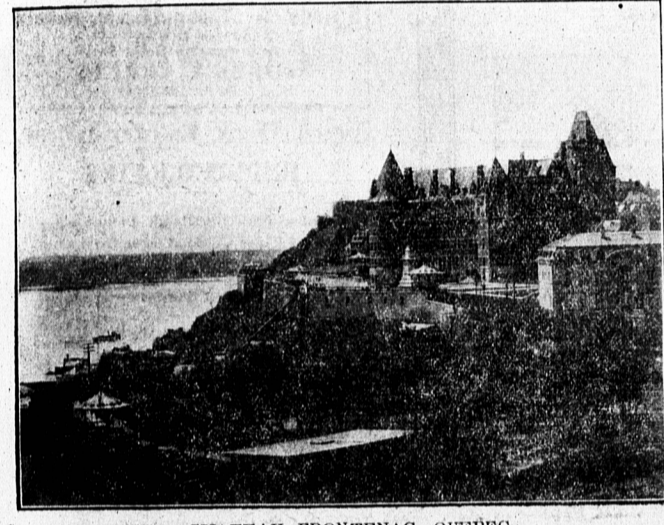
## HOW ONE TRANSPORTATION COMPANY SOLVES HOTEL PROBLEM

There is one transportation company which considers the comfort of its passengers so important that at their terminal and scenic points they have invested many millions of dollars in building and equipping what is generally acknowledged to be the most perfect hotel system in the world. Years ago it was a new idea, today it is an accepted fact that such an investment for a transportation company can be made profitable and the Canadian Pacific Railway has recently found many imitators. This is the largest of the transcontinental lines and is perhaps the best example of what the fostering of branch interests can do for a company. It owns its own rolling stock and over 10,000 miles of lines, but that is not all. It owns 180,000,000 acres of the best wheat lands in the world, it owns its own telegraph and express services, it owns its own steamship lines, its own huge timber limits, it operates great mines, and it owns its own system of hotels. These are not commonly the adjuncts of a railway, and in many cases it is impossible that they should be, but that is where a great deal of the difference in the dividends earned by a railway comes in.

This hotel problem is an important one and none realize it more than those at the head of C. P. R. affairs. That is the reason why in crossing

**The C. P. R. Have a Chain of Spacious and Magnificent Hotels, Fully Equipped With All Modern Improvements, Many of Them of Great Size—Summer Resorts, Health Resorts and Terminal Points All Have Their C. P. R. Hotels Snugly Situated Where Mountain Scenery or Quiet Pastoral Beauty Abound—Descriptions of Some of the Great Railway Hostelries Run By This Popular Line.**

### ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT FACTORS IN SUCCESSFUL TRANSCONTINENTAL TRAFFIC



CHATEAU FRONTENAC, QUEBEC. Canadian Pacific Railway Hotel System.

the continent with their double hand of steel, they also built a chain of hotels from the east to the west, and that is why the trip across the continent has become such a popular one with the public. To give their patrons the same comforts during the trip as they enjoy at home, the C. P. R. and there is no doubt but that they have succeeded admirably in their efforts.

#### THE ALGONQUIN HOTEL, ST. ANDREW'S, N. B.

The Eastern terminal of the hotel system is the Algonquin Hotel, the chief hostelry of St. Andrews by the sea. St. Andrews is a rapidly growing summer resort, and the glamour of historic association which envelops the whole region makes it an ideal point for the location of a large hotel. Doucet's Island three miles above St. Andrews was the place where Champlain landed three centuries ago in the summer of 1604 when he came from France with the adventurous Sieur des Monts. St. Andrews was fortified against the forays of the Indians and when the United States gained their independence, a number of United Empire Loyalists came across the border and settled in the village. Later St. Andrews was garrisoned and the site of Fort Tippecanoe and the Block House are quaint reminders of the ancient means of defence of this border town.

It is in the midst of these surroundings that the Algonquin Hotel is situated and it harmonizes completely with its environment. It is a large five-storied building charmingly situated on Fort Hill overlooking the town, and is replete with every luxury and convenience. From its broad piazzas which form a matchless promenade on three sides of the hotel a clear view of one of the most glorious existing panoramas may be had. The hotel is supplied with all the latest appliances in the way of baths, telephones, electric bells, etc.



BANFF SPRINGS HOTEL, BANFF, ALTA. Canadian Pacific Railway Hotel System.

and all of the spacious dining halls, parlors, smoking rooms, etc., are advantageously situated. An amusement room is especially devoted to dancing, etc., and a special orchestra is engaged during the season. There is a dark room for amateur photographers and above the hotel roof is an observatory which affords a view of miles of the surrounding country. Near the Algonquin is another and

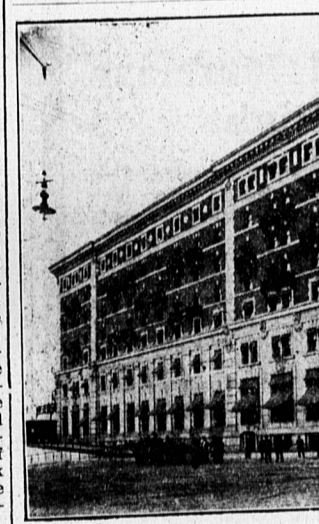
Northern New Brunswick. A few years ago it was only a small hostelry but latterly the volume of business passing through it has grown so greatly that alterations and additions have been necessary.

**CHATEAU, FRONTENAC—QUEBEC.**

West of McAdam Junction the next hotel of the C. P. R. met with its at Quebec—the Chateau Frontenac. This is perhaps the largest and best known of the architectural triumphs of America, and like St. Andrews, it too, is surrounded with historical associations. The Chateau itself occupies the very site of the old Chateau St. Louis, so famous in Canadian history. Often in its early days were its inmates terror-stricken at the forays of the ferocious Iroquois, who more than once threatened the fort itself. At the later period when the colony had acquired some strength, the castle of St. Louis was remarkable as having been the site whence French Governors exercised an immense sovereignty, extending from the mouth of the Mississippi River to the great Canadian Lakes, and thence along their shores and those of the St. Lawrence to the Gulf of the same name. It was also in the large hall of the castle that was enacted in 1690 the dramatic scene between the messenger of the English Admiral Bhipps, and the French Governor Count Frontenac to whom he had sent under a flag of truce to summon the garrison to surrender the fortress. "Go back to your master," said the Count, "and tell him that I will answer only by the mouth of my cannon to his impertinent request."

With such famous scenes as this having taken place within its confines it is no wonder that tourists find it a delightful place to stay at.

"A massive, shapely edifice is this grand hotel on Dufferin Terrace," writes the well known authoress, Faith Fenton; "a veritable old-time chateau, whose curves and cupolas,



ROYAL ALEXANDRA HOTEL, WINNIPEG, MAN. Canadian Pacific Railway Hotel System.

Andrews and it is becoming very popular.

#### McADAM JUNCTION HOTEL.

McAdam Junction is situated at the point at which the company's New Brunswick line meets the main line. It is an important strategic point, as historians would say, and the C. P. R. hotel here is much used by tourists from the States going into

turrets and towers, even whose tones, of grey stone and dull brick, harmonize well with the sober, quaint, architecture of our dear, old Fortress City. Chateau Frontenac has been planned with a strong sense of the fitness of things. In exterior it blends with its surroundings; it is a part of the wondrous picturesque. The interior, magnificent outlook and hotel luxury are so commingled that neither seems to have been sacrificed to the other.

It is delightfully unexpected in its ways. Rooms that are bow-shaped, crescent-shaped, obtuse-angled, triangular, hexagonal—everything except right-angled. And then the stairways—they are everywhere, and equally pretty and unique in effect. Every corner that one peeps into along these wide, curving corridors holds an inviting little stairway—bright and soft, with rich carpeting and oak banisters—that tempts one to ascend or descend just to find where it leads. Ascending the main stairway, which leads by easy turns from the vestibule, we come upon one of the most artistic effects in the building, for, standing in the broad, airy, beautiful room with its white panelling, oak floor, and Axminster, we look between large, creamy, daintily-moulded pillars into the long drawing-room, and beyond it into the ladies' pavilion. It brings a suggestion of the Renaissance, and the white and gold days of Louis Quinze. The ladies' drawing-room is delightful. It is perfectly round, of course, with fine square carved pillars forming the entrance way, and a central round pillar supporting the graceful spray of lights.

**PLACE VIGER HOTEL, MONTREAL.**

The Place Viger Hotel at Montreal is hardly less renowned than the Chateau Frontenac. Being the headquarters of the C. P. R. the Company has spared no expense to make it one of the notable edifices on the continent and that they have succeeded in doing so is evidenced by its widespread popularity with the travelling public. It is constructed of grey limestone and Scotch buff fire brick, crowned by a massive tower rising from a graceful sweep into a great circle with many turrets and gables. The total length of the building is 300 feet with a depth of 66 feet. The main facade has a magnificent arcade of 21 arches, broad granolithic steps leading up to it from the street. This arcade faces on Viger square and supports a shaded balcony, which, with its flowers and palms affords a delightful promenade in the summer months.

The main staircase is of Carrara marble and the general effect of the artistic decorations symbolizes the national character of the structure.

The drawing room and parlors from which the balcony, a grand summer promenade, stretching almost the entire length of the building, is reached, are elaborately and richly furnished, and the sleeping apartments, from whose windows unobstructed views of the surroundings can be obtained, are large, well-ventilated and solidly appointed—the rooms being single, or en suite, as may be desired.

The dining room of the Place Viger Hotel is spacious, bright, cheerful and handsome, and particular attention is paid by the management to the cuisine, which has attained a wide reputation for its excellence.

Alterations that are at present going on at the Place Viger station will greatly increase the accommodation of the hotel. The station will be six stories and of these the upper four will be used as an annex to the hotel giving it space for some 200 more rooms.

#### CALEDONIA SPRINGS HOTEL.

At Caledonia Springs the C. P. R. has again made provision for the accommodation of those travelling over its lines. For over a century the waters of the Springs have been extensively used and the fame of their curative properties has spread throughout the continent. They are situated near the Ottawa river between Montreal and Ottawa and here the railway has established one of the most up-to-date summer hotels of its system. It is a large three-storied structure and is at present being enlarged and remodelled to suit the constantly increasing number of guests. The appointments are all of the most modern style and it has been recently refurnished. The rooms are spacious, airy and well ventilated and are provided with telephones and electric bells. Open fire grates give an additional air of comfort on cool evenings. Around the house is a broad promenade from which can be obtained a view of the Ottawa River and the Laurentian mountains. There is an amusement hall, gymnasium, billiard room, bowling alleys, dancing floor, stage for amateur theatricals, and on the ground lawns for quoits, tennis and croquet. The hotel opens for the season in May and closes sometime in September.

In connection with the Springs there is a pretty little legend which will bear repeating:—

Years ago before the white man had come to Ontario a band of Iroquois Indians were encamped on the banks of country near the Ottawa river, the stillness broken only by the wailing of some old woman and the beating of the medicine man's drum. The old Chief, Rolling Thunder, was in despair, for his daughter, Evening Star, was sick unto death and she lay camped upon a hillside. He called for the Great Spirit. But Crow Wing, a young brave, who had hoped to win Evening Star as his squaw, bore her to a beautiful glade where he had discovered the evening star, and laid down his burden, and gathering branches arranged a couch, filling his rude drinking cup with water from the spring which he placed by her side, and then returned to the band.

When the first rosy streaks of dawn appeared, he softly approached the spot to gaze, as he feared, upon the lifeless form of Evening Star. Hastily parting the branches he beheld a great change. The delirium was gone, and the look which met his own was clear and peaceful. She signified her desire for more water from the spring.

Old Rolling Thunder felt his heart swelling with gratitude towards Crow Wing as he listened to the story of the recovery of Evening Star and the wonder of the water of the spring, and he promised that at the

next moon he would see the festivities of the marriage to the young brave and benefactor.

This is the Legend of the Springs and ever afterwards the Indians looked upon its waters as a panacea for all ills.

#### ROYAL ALEXANDRA HOTEL, WINNIPEG.

The Royal Alexandra Hotel at Winnipeg is another example of the modern fire-proof hotel. The predominant feature of the hotel is the sensible general arrangement of the various public departments and the uniform comfortable atmosphere that prevails at all seasons owing to the perfect ventilation and heating systems in use. The rotunda of the hotel is one of the largest in America and its deeply upholstered settees and lounges, its Turkish rugs and many graceful columns make it an ideal meeting place. All of the drawing rooms, smoking rooms, tea rooms, etc., are beautifully fitted up, the furniture in all cases being of a distinct and special style.

This hotel has become a favorite stop-over point for trans-continental travellers and when the additions which are at present being made are finished it will be one of the largest on the continent.

#### BANFF SPRINGS HOTEL.

Banff Springs Hotel is the first and largest of the C. P. R. Mountain resorts and has become very popular within the last four or five years. Located on the south bank of the Bow River near the mouth of the Spray, the hotel commands a view perhaps unrivalled in America. Behind it are the mountains and in front the winding river. It is replete with all the modern conveniences, including baths supplied from the hot sulphur springs, and it is most favorably placed for canoeing, driving, walking and mountain climbing. Built as it is in a quaint rustic style of its own, the hotel would be charming under any conditions, but surrounded by the wond-

erous peaks and stretches of the Rockies it is irresistible.

#### CHATEAU LAKE LOUISE.

Thirty-four miles westward from Banff is Laggan the station for the Lakes in the Clouds. Two and a half miles from the station is Lake Louise, which writers have said is "the most beautiful spot in the Rockies." Here the C. P. R. has built another charming hotel. Situated on the very verge of the water in the midst of an evergreen wood the hotel provides a wonderful view of the vicinity. Lake Louise itself is beautiful, and the pine clad mountains around it, give it an air of added beauty. Formerly the hotel was merely a small chalet but numerous additions have been built and still others are at present under way, so that it is rapidly increasing in size. Here can be had all the conveniences of a more densely populated district. It affords the most comfortable accommodation and its Swiss guides, horses and packers can be hired for excursions far and near.

#### MOUNT STEPHEN HOUSE FIELD.

For those who wish to try their hand at mountain climbing of the more arduous sort, a stay at the Mount Stephen House is essential. This hotel is located fifty-two miles west of Banff and is one of the finest of the mountain system. The hotel has accommodation for some 200 guests and is well appointed, there being billiard rooms, dark rooms for photographers, smoking rooms and an excellent floor for dancing. The

aspect of Mount Stephen is a delightful climb, affording magnificent views all the way, culminating in a superb panorama from the summit, whence hundreds of peaks, glaciers and snow fields are visible in all directions.

#### EMERALD LAKE CHATLET.

Emerald Lake is a delightful mountain resort seven miles from Field, the range of mountains paralleling the Rockies on the west, are the Great Glaciers. No region offers a wider field for exploration than these parts and here is situated Glacier House which makes a good base of supplies for excursions into the surrounding country. The house is now being enlarged, it having been found necessary to provide increased accommodation. At Glacier House there is an observation tower in which is a large telescope.

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The Empress Hotel at Vancouver is the latest recent creation of the C. P. R. and is situated looking west over the shores of James Bay. The entrance for carriages and passengers arriving via C. P. R. steamboats is at the extreme south end of the building which is protected from the weather by a very handsome Port Cochere. The main rotunda is a large and very light room with two huge fire places, the decorations being in yellow. Opening from the rotunda by large arches is the Palm Garden some 65 feet square, which with its yellow glass dome and wide windows is a delightful place for afternoon tea.

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