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750 ROOMS AND BATHS FOR MEN AND WOMEN 750

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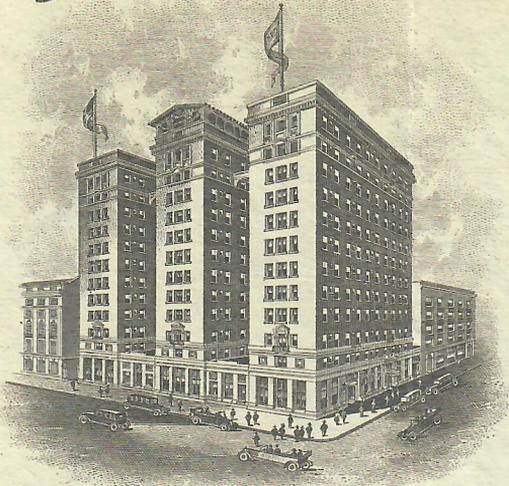
DELAWARE AVE AT CHIPPEWA

Dear Ones:—

You will want to hear a little about our trip to Niagara. Confed-journed at noon and after a good dinner served by the ladies we were soon into several large touring (right cars built for that purpose. ~~right~~ must of the cars held 32 persons Whitcraft, Luckhart and I were together in one. We crossed the Niagara river at Buffalo on a large ferry but approaching the ferry was a massive iron bridge. After we had crossed it and were waiting for the ferry I looked out and saw the big bridge tipping up to let a boat go under it. We landed at Port Erie on King George port,

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Here the customs officer inspected
every auto. Our driver of course
stood good for us. There were
special policemen on motorcycles
to accompany our party. It
was a beautiful drive along the
Niagara River. We came to the scene
of the battle of Lundy's Lane
near the Falls. Now we came to
the rapids, the water rushing and
plunging seemingly making
a race to see which one
could jump over the falls
first. Out in the rapids lay
two wrecked boats, one broke
loose from Chippewa just about
about three years ago, with no
one on board, the other had
two men on jet - who after con-
siderable delay were rescued.
The boats lodged against the
rocks, what a sight! 11 million
cubic ft of water per sec, plunging
163 ft. The foam and mist
as the result of the churning
rises seemingly to nearly the top



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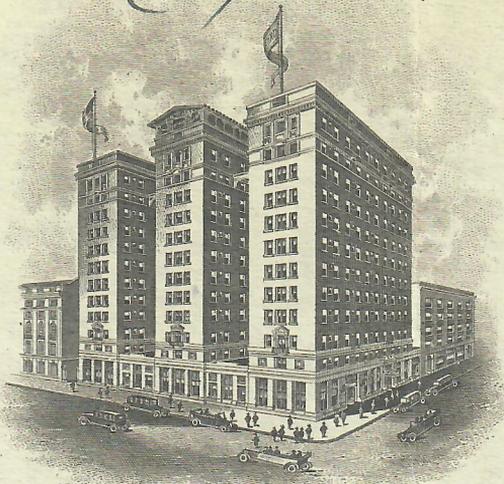
of the falls (on Canadian side).
 of 4 ^{of the water} 6^A is on the Canadian side.
 Many of our party (250) went
 into the tunnel back of the
 falls, I did not go in I
 preferred looking at the falls.
 "The Maid of the Mist" a boat
 struggling up to see how near
 she could get to the torrent
 without being swept in. Many
 people were on board. The mist
 there is same as a rain, and
 rises high above the falls. We go
 on to what they call the whirlpool.
 I went down the inclined elevator.
 There could ride up a car. There
 were two tracks with two cars. A man
 and wife were in seat with me.

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The lady sitting next to me when
the car started down the lady
gasp'd and grabbed my arm
with her right hand and her
husband with her left hand.
After a bit she came to con-
sciousness and realized that
she was hanging on to two men
and then of course the apologies
were profuse and the husband
and I had a hearty laugh.

At the foot of elevator there
is a board walk along the
gorge where the water very
deep flows at rate of 60 mi
per hr. (they say). Our next
stop is at Aero Cable. I am
sending a folder describing
this. I did not care for a
75 of ride. We crossed the
river on the bridge (they are
building a massive ~~steel~~ bridge)
and here are the customs offices
eyeing us squarely. On the American
side the officials inspected the
acts to see how much booze we
were carrying etc. On Canada

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side we faced the famous
 factory of the Rogers Silver ware.
 On the Am. side resided the
 park above the falls. This was
 really the most wonderful of
 all. Note the telescope, I stood
 on that remotest point looking
 down over the falls. At my
 right left was the great harbor
 which you see. It is said the sheet
 of water is 15 to 18 ft deep as
 it passes over the edge (I wonder
 how they measure it). Beyond
 the falls where you see building site
 is the wonderful Victoria Park.
 The thin sheet of water at my
 right is shallow above the falls
 and one could step from stone to stone
 in part of it. To my right and
 back of me somewhat is a park

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of natural great, ~~while~~ This is the
island (Rhode Island) which separates
the Canadian falls from the
American falls, you do not see
the American falls in the picture.

Now we pass the famous shredding
wheat factory, a beautiful building
and I am told is equipped in
a remarkable way for the welfare
of the employees. There is a new
hotel of fine proportions. The ride
toward Buffalo is splendid. Most
of the ground is laid out for
city so that in the near future
it will be nearly solidly built.
Returns Buffalo and Niagara.

We pass Elm Lawn Cemetery and
the guide (who was very witty) called
out "Elm Lawn Cemetery with 144
acres and the Lord only knows how
many feet." We passed the Esprit
grounds where Gen. McKimley was shot.
It is now the golf field with a
tablet to show the site where McKimley
was. We saw the little hospital where
McKimley died, also the house in
which Roosevelt immediately was
inaugurated. I could tell much
more but it takes too long to write
it. The round trip fare was 2.15
and well worth while indeed.



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my room, corner of wing,

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It was a little after 8 when we got in and I was in committee until 11, took glass of milk with Mr & Mrs Widdore and went to bed at 12, awoke at 5 (4 your time) finally went to sleep and slept until 8:00. Ate grape fruit and went for breakfast, heard Bishop Hunt preach, took dinner at Hall and came to hotel, Mr & Mrs Spear came last evening.

The hotel is only a few blocks from the Lake, I can look out on the Lake as far as sight will carry you. It is an inspiring view. As I am on tenth floor, May 10 14 I have quite an outlook over the city. I have had no time to look about except yesterday. The walk

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is very heavy. See picture above for

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location of my room.
I have no way to know when we
shall get through but presume
laymen will not be willing to
remain longer than Monday
25th and some will go before
then. I trust all goes well
at home. May Christ bless
rest upon all
affectionately
J. B. Harris