# STUNT BARRELS and PICTURE MUSEUM

at the very edge of Whirlpool Rapids



STATHIKA'S DEATH BARREL over the Falls, July 15, 1930



Wm. RED HILL JR. and SR. barrels and pictures

#### WHIRPOOL RAPIDS STORE

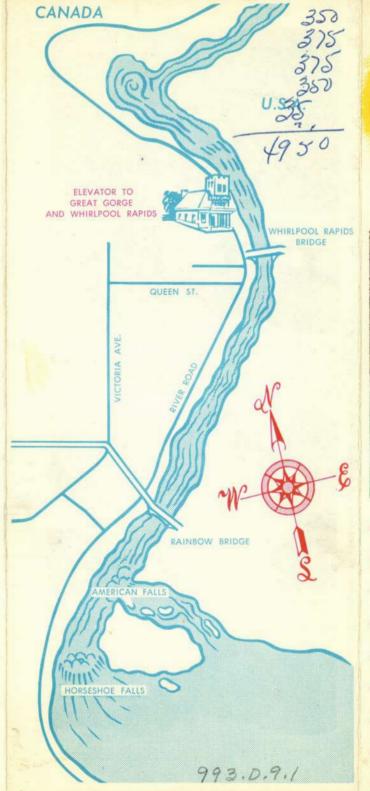
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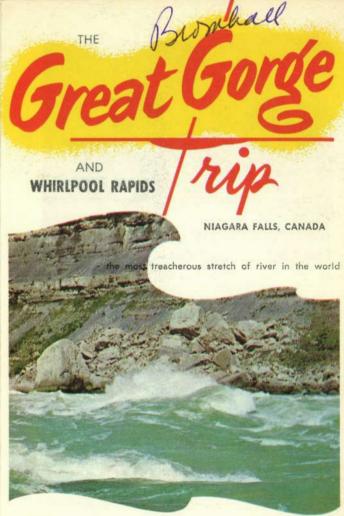
English China

Indian Goods

Souvenirs of all kinds

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## . THE WHIRLPOOL RAPIDS

The awesome spectacle of millions of cubic feet of frothing, foaming Niagara River spewed violently through a narrow gorge with all the rumbling terror of an endless clap of thunder, is completely unforgettable.

This is the Whirlpool Rapids, most treacherous mile of river in the world . . . Frantically smashing and dashing its way between gigantic cliffs eroded by centuries of the river's fury, the frighteningly beautiful, majestically savage water lashes its way to the sea.

Two hundred and fifty feet wide, one hundred and eighty-two feet deep, the Great Gorge is a tour to excite your imagination.

See gigantic waves leap skyward, swirl and heave over, around and between fantastic boulders. 280,000 cubic feet of water per second . . . hundreds of tons in weight . . . roar past you every second of every hour. Truly, it is an unforgettable experience to stand but a few feet from this extravagance of

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### WHIRLPOOL RAPIDS

**BUILDING** The beginning of a great adventure in the savage beauty of the Great Gorge.

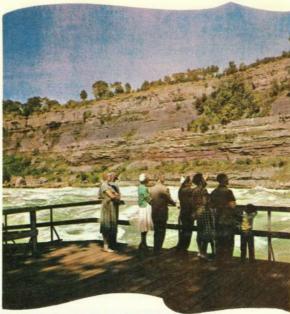


#### **TUNNEL TO THRILLING SPECTACLES**

183 foot tunnel is carved out of solid rock. Leads from elevator to the Barrel Museum and observation platform.

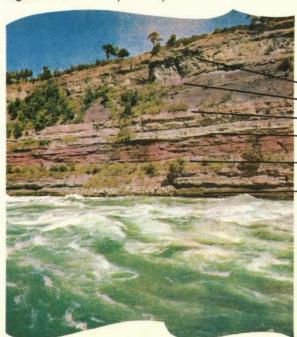
As you emerge from the great tunnel the deafening roar of the mighty river swells as though to fill all creation. Your first sight of the Whirlpool Rapids is breathtaking. The thrashing, frenzied water leaps and dives, swirls and hurls itself past you in a maddened, raging torrent of seemingly living fury.

And as you stroll the boardwalk to the second Observation Platform you note the ever changing face of the Whirlpool Rapids, . . . now raving and savage . . . now swelling as though to mount the gigantic cliffs that tower above . . . now hysterically roaring defiance at the rock formations that would hinder its progress . . . always fascinating, ever a wonder of water, confined to its self-inflicted crevice by palisades of rock eroded by the river to reveal the secrets of strata formed hundreds of centuries ago.



#### **OBSERVATION PLATFORM**

Wave after wave dashes against gigantic boulders and plunges skyward, one of the spectacular sights of the Whirlpool Rapids.





#### BOARDWALK

Stroll in safety beside the raging waters for a half mile on the Boardwalk. Enjoy a close-up view of the most treacherous stretch of river in the world.

#### SEDIMENTARY ROCK STRATA

From the last Observation Platform, note the multi-coloured layers of rock strata in the walls of the Great Gorge towering above you.

Layers of rock, formed by sediment deposited by ancient seas which covered this part of the world, are now laid bare by the erosion of the Niagara Gorge.

L—Lockport Dolomite (magnesium limestone)

R-Rochester Shale

C—Clinton Limestone and Thorold Sandstone

M—Red Medina Shale (dips below water at Falls)

W—Whirlpool Sandstone (dips below water at Whirlpool)

Q—Red Queenston Shale (dips below water at Glen)

The mighty Niagara has always been a challenge to daring, adventurous men. Be sure to visit the Whirlpool Rapids Museum to see many interesting relics of attempts to defy the River.

