Today we land at Plymouth. Five days at sea has been a new and plea-

sant experience for me. "All visitors ashore" was called in and keen interest. but not the "Bremen's".

at the widest, and when loaded has a scarcely less lovely. The "Maurteania" has first, second and air, which the deck steward told me fact, lock eight at Port Colborne is Third Class accommodation. Third Class accommodation.

On Sunday service was held in the us-including crew, but the rest of the ing vessel also loaded with on. time each class is expected to keep to their own quarters. Brotherhood of the rest of the time.

First class, single, costs \$300.00; Seconl Class \$167.00 to Cherbourg. I do not know the Third Class rates. I'm travelling Second. I have a four-berth cabin to myself. It is very comfortable with hot and cold water on tap chair couch, bed, clothes-press, etc. The Library, Lounge, Smoking Room and deck chairs-cosily wrapped in a heavy all of them. rug if the air is cool. An locean trip would be just the thing to "set up" an invalid. Five meals are served—the fresh assorted fruit in my cabin.

A Carnival Dinner one night livened Dance, but few danced. The crowd is a bit dull. I needed the rest so much that I am enjoying it-perhaps the others are the same.

man from Detroit on a six week5s holi- to the canal. day, and two New England Educationists going to a Conference at Cambridge University.

to the oil fields in Southern Frissia. are world-tramping. A number of English men who have had positions in U. S. A. are going home. One of them dresses in evening togs and wears monocle-but more of him later. party of Southern Europeans who have gotten on well are on a visit to the homeland—and so it goes.

much but for the thrill of a romance. A lady fair, and two young men—the game captivates us. It is not yet playhas a German name and figure, a tion, and with a total life of 342 cet French face and manner, and American wardrobe. He of the monocle, by name Randall, courted the lady. His deck chair was next hers. his place in the dining room was remote, but this detail was soon remedied mit vessels 800 feet long. Vertical lift by an obliging steward, things seemed bridges will carry roadways across the to be going swimmingly. They danced canal, which was not constructed withplayed cards, and drank wine, but alas, out many and grievous problems requirremoved from some Southern clime matter-to the lady's side; talks Ran- river had to be taken underneath the dall out kisses the lady's hand in sal- in building the piers for the bridge on utation and farewell, has his place ir Main street, the clayey soil encountered the dining room changed from a dis- almost baffled the engineers. Only the tant table to the other side of the dogged determination of Superintendyoung lady, and seems at the moment ent Engineer Grant saved the day, and to have more than an even break. We the work was eventually carried formoney is on Randall who looks dis- ward. At Thorold recently a leak near inguished, monocle and all, though at the moment a bit melancholy. Speak- erable delay and has only now been repaired, while previously the crashing

MISS MACPHAIL'S LETTER ing of betting, we just had a horse race of a 32-ton steel lock gate caused loss on "B" deck this afternoon. The horses of life and held up operations for some were wooden and didn't move except time. Only the other day, at Port when in the hand of a worthy seamen Weller, the Lake Ontario entrance to August 20, 1929 when in the hand of a worthy seaman, the canal, workmen were seen con-Each horse was numbered—a lady shook the dice—if they came up 1 and 4 horses 1 and 4 were moved a block lock's concrete walls, in holding the and so on. There was much betting banks in order, thereby preventing a

New York at 11.30 p.m. on August 15th. A morning paper, the Daily Mail At- To a casual observer, it would seem and at one minute after mid-night the lantic edition, is delivered to our that rough water in Lake Ontario heavy ropes were pulled on deck and cabin every morning. This, with hair- would surge back into the almost the "Mauretania", for 22 years the dressers, barbers and a stenographer aboard makes us feel very near land.

Way. Recently the "Bremen" has the dressers, barbers and a stenographer aboard makes us feel very near land.

The see has been facting with its wrested this title from her, and val- changing colors. Blue, almost to black, breakwater outside of the port has iant efforts are being made to regain it. foaming fleecy white, and the indes- been provided for in the plans is not At the moment it seems that the cribable sea-green delight the eye. known but a brief visit there certainly "Mauretania" will beat her own record. The moonlight on the sea is all that suggests that such protection would be poets and artists have said, and the advantageous. The ship is 731 feet long, 89 feet wide sunlight sparkling on the water is

capacity, including crew, of 2.500 per- The sea has been smooth each day. way will not be possible before the sons. This is a slack season travel- In the Gulf Stream we suffered from coming year, the completion of the ling east so the passenger list is small. heat—the water was hotter than the locks will not be so long delayed. In

wa; unusual. First Class Lounge for the whole of carrying oil—which had in tow a sail- lock twenty-four on the present canal

calls the stories I have heard the and operating the locks and bridges man on Sunday, money-hood of man pioneers tell of six weeks on the sea has yet to be installed, and other details and with no comforts. How lucky to be taken care of, before the Canadian people shall be able to refer with we are, and how thankless:

Sincerely, Agnes C. Macphail

WELLAND SHIP CANAL

As the Welland ship canal nears not live to see the realization of their completion—its formal opening being dreams. Almost a titanic undertaking Dining Room are quite sizable and they promised for 1930-it is interesting to for a country with our population, the are comfortably and tastefully furnish- note that the new waterway is, in new waterway will rank as one of ed. Most passengers spend their time reality, the fourth Welland canal, and Canada's finest achievements in respect pacing the deck or reclining on the that the town of Thorold is divided by of public works.

At Allanburg stands a cairn testifying to the turning of the first sod for the original canal—which was completed in 1829-by George Keefer and Hon. country round about Pictou Lodge, the three we are used to plus hot beef tea William Hamilton Merritt, the remains and biscuit at 10 in the morning, and of one of whose locks is still to be seen tea, bread and butter and cakes at 4, just west of the Thorold fire hall. This eighteenth century this quaint district in the afternoon—that is if one is on canal, which is now but a hydraulic was settled by pioneers from the Highdeck. Each night I find a plate of raceway supplying power to a number steeped in the charm of antiquity. Loveof manufacturing plants, was super- lands of Scotland, so it is already seded by what has been known for ly seascapes on one side and the franearly half a century as the Old Welthings up a bit—the decorations were land Canal, which itself practically gay—everyone dressed up and wore the lapsed into disuse as regards navigation paper caps placed at each plate, and in the early 80's. It was then that the were a little more friendly than usual new Welland canal, one of the greatest The ship's Officers tried to give us a engineering feats of the day, was op- far away. ened for the passage of vessels.

25-Lock Waterway The new waterway connecting Lake Erie with Lake Ontario contained 25 My deck chair is one of a group of locks, accommodating boats drawing up to fourteen feet of water, together five. A Scotch man now in business with a guard lock, near the head lock in New York going to join his family at Thorold, and an additional lock at for a holiday at home, a business wo- Port Colborne, the Lake Erie entrance

Thirty years ago an agitation started for the building of a deeper waterway that would accommodate the largest type of lake carriers. In this campaign An oil man from Oklohoma and his the leaders were the late Thomas Condelightful young wife are on their way len, vessel owner and capitalist of Thorold the late S. W. Secord, bank A retired professional man who speaks manager of St. Catharines, and D. W. many languages and his Spanish wite Carter, of Port Corborne, who has long been identified with tug and shipping

Ship Canal Started Finally in 1913 the construction of the Welland ship canal was started and was well under way when the outbreak of the world war compelled cessation of work, as every energy of the federal government and of the Canadian people The monotony might have been too was of necessity given to the prosecution of the war. Hostilities over the work was resumed as soon as possible with the result that the great waterway with its eight (including a twin) ed out so I cannot end it with "and locks, each with a volume 22 times that they lived happy ever after." The lady of any lock in the canal now in operais practically receiving its finishing

This \$115,000,000 undertaking provides locks 83 fet deep, equipped with steel gates weighing 32 tons each, and operated by electricity, which will ad-

Obstacles Surmounted At Welland, for instance, in the vicinity of the aqueduct, the Welland



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The sea has been fascinating with its proach of lock one. Whether or not a

Locks Nearly Finished While navigation of the new waterready for the official opening. This We passed an oil tanker—a steamer done, lock seven at Thorold—opposite -alone will be incomplete. Much of Our rapid and pleasant crossing re- the equipment for handling the gates just pride to the passage of vessels between Lakes Erie and Ontario through the ship canal, which will stand for years in testimony of the vision, optimism, courage and enterprise of the men FOURTH AND GREATEST who led the agitation in its favor, and who, with one or two exceptions, did

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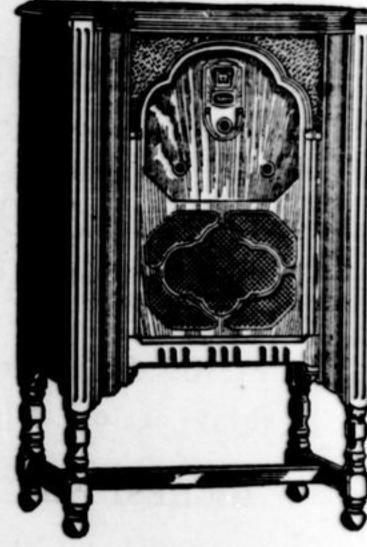
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