

SPANNING THE HUDSON RIVER

Bridge of Surpassing Size and Cost Projected in New York City. MUST BE BUILT IN FIVE YEARS

Structure with Terminals Estimated to Cost \$400,000,000—Waning Prestige of the Port the Main Incentive.

After years of planning and many delays due to the magnitude of the undertaking the projectors of the bridge across the Hudson river, from Fifty-ninth street, New York City, to Guttenberg, N. J., announce that contracts will be let and actual work on the structure will begin before the close of the year.

Facts and figures given by the New York Herald give some idea of the magnitude of the structure and its approaches and the purpose of so great an expenditure of money—the hope of regaining the commercial supremacy of the port of New York.

The speed with which an American firm built the Athra bridge in Egypt was enviously noted by Lord Kitchener and elicited a generous need of praise from British engineers and scientists.

A certain colonel on the staff of one of Grant's generals was much given to novel reading and went about with his saddlebags stuffed full of thrilling romances.

The Dutch commander who had charge of all the British prisoners taken after the battle of Glenore, Dundee and Nicholson's No. 1 has told Mr. Davitt the following interesting little story:

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LAKE ERIC & WESTERN, DELAWARE, LACKAWANNA & WESTERN, NEW YORK & SUSQUEHANNA, LOHIG VALLEY, BALTIMORE & OHIO AND OTHER ROADS, TAPPING ALL OF THE UNION EXCEPT NEW ENGLAND, WILL HAVE ITS POINT OF DEPARTURE.

The new upturned postoffice will of necessity be situated in this vicinity. The steamship lines running to Europe, Panama and along our eastern coast are fast moving up now, and the New York Central and all its constituent lines already come down the Hudson nearly to the northern approach of the future North River bridge.

The cars, after crossing the bridge, would leave the main approach at Fifty-fifth street near Eleventh avenue, upon tracks elevated to a height of 120 feet.

From the junction at West Twenty-fourth street the structure would be continued in a northerly direction at a height of twenty-three feet, connecting with and passing through the New York Central freight yards at Fifty-ninth street, and so to the Riverside Drive.

The cost of construction is estimated at more than \$1,000,000 per mile. This, of course, does not include the ornamentation of the boulevard and the stairs and stairways for pedestrians and bicyclists.

Andrew H. Green, the "Father of Greater New York," who for many years has been untiring in his research and study of the question, "How to maintain New York's commercial supremacy," says of this great plan:

The lack of adequate and convenient terminal facilities is rapidly driving away from this port the immense continental traffic in grain. If our anticipations with respect to this bridge is realized the conveniences for handling grain and freight must inevitably follow the construction.

Her black eyes snapped with indignation as she fairly replied: "Don't you talk to me that way; they're a good deal better than Grant's miseries, anyhow."

"Nothing amused the cowboys more than Roosevelt's choice of words and manner of speech. He was purring in laugher and at first was unable to tackle the cow-punchers' slang.

"I was assured," adds Mr. Davitt, "that neither the kid nor the kind-hearted English prisoner suffered over the unique incident."

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POKER, WITH A DASH OF GINGER.

By H. W. PHILLIPS.

Jamaica ginger is excellent for stomach troubles, but it is not good as a stimulant, I know because I have seen its operations. You must not sell liquor to the Indians, consequently the red man craves about for a substitute.

It takes a sturdy constitution to stand the wear and tear of ginger as a beverage. I came by my dislike for ginger drinking under a table, grasping a six-foot Unca-papa Sioux by the legs.

We were having the nicest kind of a time, when the Evil One came to the doorway and peeped in. We did not recognize him as such at the time. The casual glance showed only a big Injun, haggard to face and a trifle wild about the eyes.

"How much?" "Cash—popy—nopah—sema—keese" (two dimes and a half).

"Then, with a promptitude for which I cannot sufficiently admire myself, I executed a flank movement. Under the table I flew and swapped my arms under his long legs—wrapped 'em tight—shut my eyes and waited.

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