



THE ERIE CANAL.

HISTORY OF THE WATERWAY OF THE EMPIRE STATE.

Because of the Propulsion to Make It Wider and Deepen—Something About the Obstructions Along Its Line When It Was Completed.

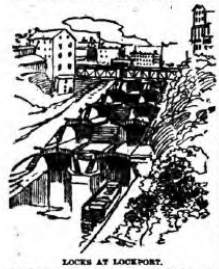
The people of western and north central New York are making their own history. They are making it by the Erie canal enlarged and improved; but so usual there are many diverse views as to the best plan, ranging in some instances, one at Syracuse and one at Rochester. It is claimed by the friends of the former that the canal, which was constructed exclusively as a state affair, has be-



KEYSTONE AT BUFFALO.

come almost entirely a national affair; for, though the produce transported in the early years of the canal was more than four-fifths from New York, in later years less than one-fifth is from that state, the canal was constructed all the rest. At present the conflicting views are reduced to two, one to entirely enlarge the canal, sufficient for steam navigation, the other to re-convert it, so to speak, into a freight ship canal.

The history, development and comparative decline of the Erie canal form a romantic chapter in the annals of commerce. It is a little to inquire why first suggested it, for the topography is so obviously suitable for a canal that the Erie canal has been the subject of thousands on first seeing the country; but Gov. Dr. W. Clinton was the first to propose to thoroughly identify himself with it. "Clinton Big Ditch" was long a political joke in New York, and he lived to see the ditch a great highway and turn the laugh on his critics. Plans for improving the Kentucky waterway had before the colonial assembly in New York in 1725, and renewed occasionally till 1792, when the Western Indian Navigation company was incorporated with power to improve that stream and connect it by canal with Lakes Erie and Ontario.



LOOKS AT LOCKPORT.

doing some work this company sold out to the state for \$150,718. The scheme was renewed occasionally till 1806, when the canal was appropriated and the route surveyed. Dr. W. Clinton, then a member of the state senate, carried the project, and on April 10, 1816, that the legislative body passed an act to build the Erie canal. On April 19, 1817, the first boat passed from Tonawanda to Rome, and in 1820 the canal was completed. It was a great success, and was hailed by all the editors and pamphleteers of the day in describing the glorious progress of the western civilization and the new era through the Erie canal. Congress previously stationed for the purpose a large number of the militia from Buffalo, one boat of the preceding war was of it all the way to New York city and Albany, and at all the towns on the line there were elaborate ceremonies, patriotic, allegorical, and many many were taken "up" and down the canal. On May 10, 1820, over the "last tie" on the Union Pacific, was a more varied company to be seen.



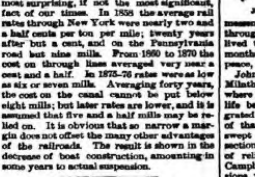
ELIZABETH, NEW YORK.

The last and the greatest of the Erie canal, was drawn by four richly equipped gray horses, and carried Governor Dr. W. Clinton, the prominent Governor James Tallmadge, Gen. Stephen Van Rensselaer and other officials. Another boat, "Knock's," carried five and a staff of soldiers, and nearly all the animals of the then "wild west" were taken down the canal. The canal was a great success, and was hailed by all the editors and pamphleteers of the day in describing the glorious progress of the western civilization and the new era through the Erie canal. Congress previously stationed for the purpose a large number of the militia from Buffalo, one boat of the preceding war was of it all the way to New York city and Albany, and at all the towns on the line there were elaborate ceremonies, patriotic, allegorical, and many many were taken "up" and down the canal. On May 10, 1820, over the "last tie" on the Union Pacific, was a more varied company to be seen.

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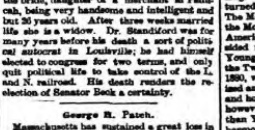
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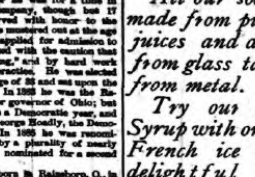
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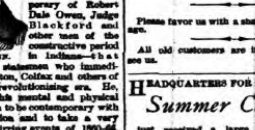
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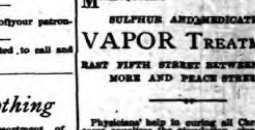
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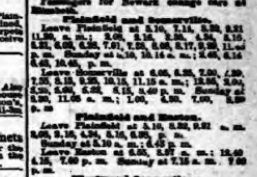
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