Canadian Society of Civil Engineers

112 MANSFIELD STREET

MONTREAL, June 17th, 1897.

Dear Sir.

Referring to the circular letter of the 9th instant, inviting you to attend the Meeting of the American Society of Civil Engineers in Quebec, I am requested to transmit the following information from the "Convention Circular No. 2" of the American Society:-

"The Twenty-Ninth Annual Convention of the Society will be held at the Chateau Frontenac, Quebec, beginning at 10 o'clock on Wednesday, June 30th, 1897, and continuing through Thursday and Friday....."

"During the Convention, meetings for the reading and discussion of professional papers will be held, and it is also expected that informal addresses will be given by several engineers residing in Canada on local engineering

Three papers will be presented as follows:

'The Relation of Tensile Strength to Composition in Structural Steel,' by A. C. Cunningham, M. Am. Soc. C. E.

'Recent Tests of Bridge Members,' by J. E. Greiner, M. Am. Soc. C. E.

'The Power Plant, Pipe Line and Dam of the Pioneer Electric Power Company at Ogden, Utah,' by Henry Goldmark, M. Am. Soc. C. E.

The local committees have not as yet perfected arrangements for excursions, etc., and therefore no announcement can at present be made of the details.'

TRANSPORTATION.

"General Rate. - The usual Convention rate of one and one-third fare, conditioned on the presentation of at the East 100 certificates at Quebec, has been granted by the Grand Trunk and Canadian Pacific Railways, and by the Trunk Line, Central, New England, Western and Southern States Passenger Associations. Application for this rate has also been made to the South Eastern Passenger Association, and it is expected that the concession will also be granted.

In order to avail of this reduction the following conditions must be carried out.

"First.—Each person must purchase a first-class ticket (either limited or unlimited) to the place of meeting, at the regular tariff rate and at the same time procure from the ticket agent a certificate of the standard form. If through ticket cannot be procured at the starting point, the person should purchase to the most convenient point at which such ticket can be obtained and there repurchase through to the place of meeting, procuring a standard certificate from each agent from whom a ticket is purchased.

"Second.—It is absolutely necessary that certificates be procured, indicating that full fare has been paid, for going passage and the route for which ticket or tickets for the return journey should be sold. No refund of fare

can be expected because of failure to secure such certificate.

"Third.—Tickets for the return journey by the route over which the going journey was made will be sold at one-third the first-class tariff fare only to persons holding certificates of the standard form, duly signed by the

Secretary of the meeting and signed and stamped by the Special Agent in attendance.

- "Fourth.—No certificate will be honored that was procured more than than three days (Sunday not included) before the meeting assembles (except that when meetings are held at distant points, to which the authorized transit limit is more than three days, the authorized transit limit will govern), nor more than two days (Sunday not included), after the first day of the meeting. No certificate will be honored for return ticket unless presented during the time that the meeting is in session, or within three days (Sunday not included) after adjournment.
 - " Fifth. Tickets for return journey will be limited to continuous passage on first train after purchase.
 - " Sixth.-Certificates will not be honored by conductors; they must be presented to ticket agents.
- " Seventh .- Neither the certificates nor tickets furnished for this occasion are transferable, and if presented by any other person than the original purchaser they will not be honored, but will be forfeited.

" Eighth. -No refund of fare can be expected because of failure of the parties to obtain certificates.

Tickets purchased under the above plan from distant points via New York and the route of the special train will be available on that train, but all tickets must be purchased through to Quebec.

"Special Train.—A special train, on which transportation will be free, has been tendered by the Canadian Pacific Railway from Montreal to Quebec. This train is expected to leave Montreal at about 2 p.m. on Tuesday, June 29th, and to arrive in Quebec in time for dinner.'

You are invited by the American Society to avail yourself of the privilege of free transportation from Montreal, to Quebec, by the special train leaving Montreal on Tuesday afternoon.

The hotel rate at the Frontenac will be \$3.50. You will kindly make your own hotel arrangements, but notify me of your intention to be present at the Convention, in order that I may send you a Special Certificate of Membership in the Society.

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