

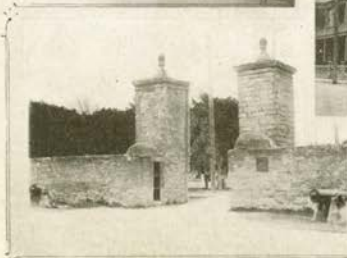
Looking from Porch of The Monson



The Monson
Saint Augustine Florida



PLACE
ONE CENT
STAMP
HERE





Looking from Porch of The Monson



In Front of the Monson



"Here we will sit and allow the sounds of music to creep into our ears"

"I am by my place to know how to please the palates of my guests"

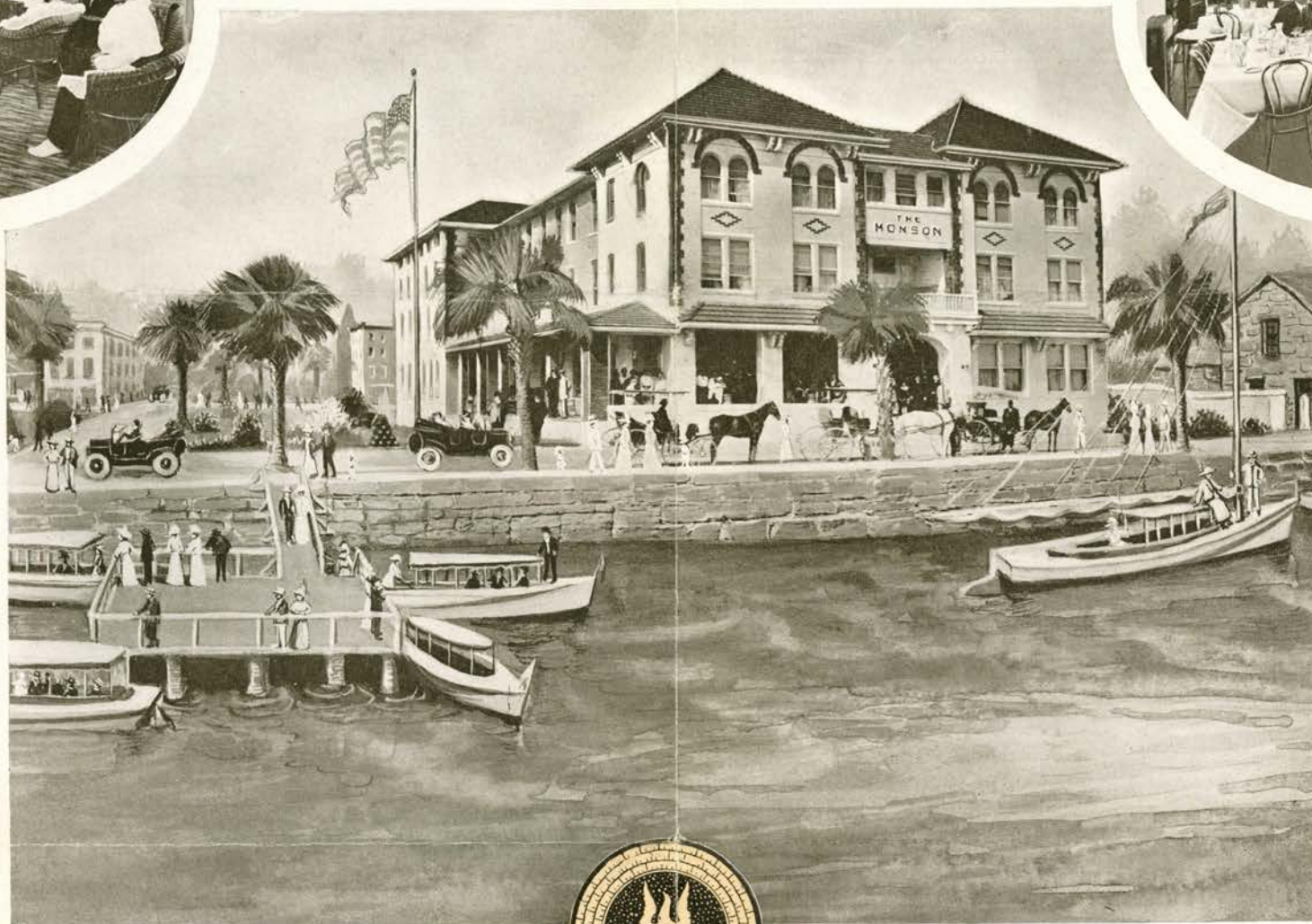


LOBBY

The social center of St. Augustine where are held delightful receptions, card parties and informal gatherings of old and new friends

DINING ROOM

Clean, light and well ventilated. The excellent menu and first-class service combine to make dining a genuine pleasure



FISHING
BATHING
BOATING

SWIMMING
GOLFING
MOTORING



AMERICAN
PLAN

The Monson
Saint Augustine Florida

FIREPROOF
CONSTRUCTION

FACING MATANZAS BAY

"Welcome ever smiles and farewell goes out sighing"



Golf Course



Oldest House in U. S. A.



Slave Market

St. Augustine

The Ancient City of America



Ferryboat to Beach

ST. AUGUSTINE, the Ancient City of America, situated on a peninsula facing the Bay of Mantanzas, was discovered in 1513 by Ponce de Leon, founded fifty-two years later by Pedro Menendez de Aviles and a colony from Spain. The first fort was built of logs, and after numerous battles with the Indians, was destroyed in 1856 by Sir Francis Drake. The second fort, then called San Marco Castle, was begun in 1592 and finished in 1756. It is built of Coquina, a shell formation discovered about this time and peculiar to this section of the world.

Many times has this fort been attacked by the Indians, and in 1740 was fiercely bombarded by Oglethorpe. But in all its history Fort Marion has never been captured. It has also been used as a prison, once confining Osceola, the famous Seminole Chieftain. In the year 1821 it was renamed Fort Marion, in honor of General Marion of Revolutionary fame, and was occupied by Union forces during the Civil War.

St. Augustine still retains all of its ancient physical appearance; St. George, its principal business street, being a narrow thoroughfare of quaint buildings and stores that reverts the mind to the days of Spanish glory. Possibly no other place in America so forcibly portrays to the modern eye and mind the character of the people and living conditions of old Spain as does this quaint city. Here you will see the oldest house in America and many others almost as old, picturesque narrow streets, the wonderful sea wall that took 200 years to build, making a river promenade resembling the board walk, old Spanish churches, beautiful modern churches, the slave market, Plaza de la Constitution, and many other places too numerous to mention; and contrasted with all of this is the modern environment of a new city, ample hotel facilities, golf courses, boating, bathing, fishing and all the outdoor sports and exercises that make modern outdoor life enjoyable. This is the St. Augustine of to-day, and not far different from the St. Augustine of a few hundred years ago—the ancient city of the new world, a city of unlimited historical interest, with an ideal climate the year around. It is worth going miles to see, and a tour of Florida is only half complete without a visit to St. Augustine, the pride of Patriotic America.



Interior Fort Marion



St. George Street



Exterior Fort Marion