

LATE PURCHASE BY RAILWAY, LIGHT & POWER COMPANY

A few weeks ago the Chippewa Valley Railway, Light & Power Company decided to buy from the Chippewa Lumber & Boom Company the water power at Chippewa Falls and the dam sites up the river and on several tributaries of the river, the purchase including the office building at Chippewa Falls and some lots they owned on both sides of the river, and the lands that have been secured at the different dam sites, as well as some land on the east side of the river that is not platted. The lands that go with these different dam sites and what we got at Chippewa Falls amount to something over five thousand acres. The purchase includes all of the flowage rights for these dam sites, and in all amounted to \$315,400.00. This matter had been under consideration for some time. The improvements necessary to make the property available will require a good deal of thought and attention, so you will see from what I have already written that it is not easy with the interests I have in all of the different concerns I have been writing about for me to unload very much of the work that devolves upon me, and will, I suppose, while I live.

ASSISTED BY YOUR MOTHER

In all of the different things I have mentioned in this autobiography your mother was always a great assistance, and I feel that I am indebted to her for the success I have made, if mine may be called a successful life. We always talked matters over together. For the past few years she advised me not to take on more work, feeling that I ought to devote more of my time to matters of greater importance to me personally than all of these enterprises, and get them in shape as soon as possible for others to manage. No other realizes as I do the great help she always was to me. She passed away, as you