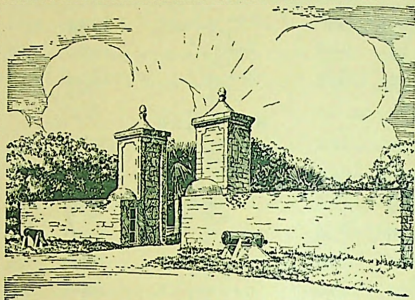




Interesting Cities Along The Way

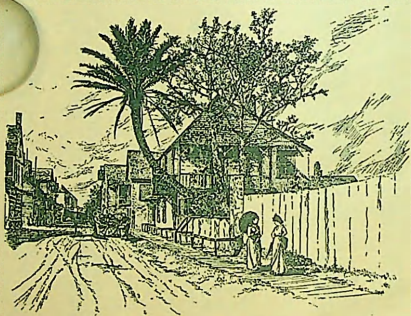
Saint Augustine, 1565

Anciently Spanish



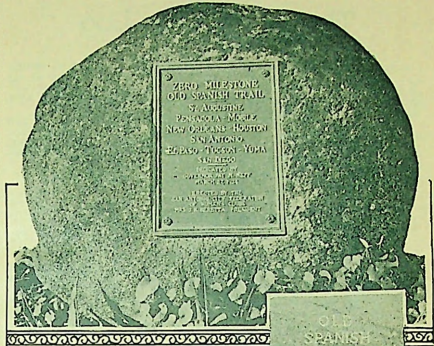
ANCIENT SPANISH GATES AT ST. AUGUSTINE

The Old Spanish Gates at St. Augustine. Around the walls was a moat filled with water and a hedge of Spanish bayonet plants. A description in 1783 says entrance was by a draw-bridge over the moat and thru the gate. The sentry boxes are visible at the gate. Near by is old Fort San Marco (Ft. Marion now) an interesting example of medieval castle and fort, living quarters, barracks and dungeons.



OLDEST HOUSE IN THE UNITED STATES, ST. AUGUSTINE

The Oldest House in the United States from a picture in a booklet of 1888. This is now a part of the property of the St. Augustine Historical Society and houses many ancient relics. The Society Library of old Spanish history is housed in a new structure on the property. The Oldest House apparently dates from 1711. The Society's historical collection is a rare pleasure to the traveler seeking information of that ancient, perilous and romantic period. In the garden is the "Wishing Well" and there love, the oldest story in the world, still finds romance at your journey over the Old Spanish Trail you will find the "Wishing Well" at the Old Spanish settlement at San Diego, the mother colony of California, and there again love's renewals may be mirrored in the waters of the well.



Zero Monuments

TOP, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS
BOTTOM, SAN DIEGO, CALIF.

The zero stone at San Diego was dedicated 1923, by an address of President Coolidge read by Col. Ed Fletcher of San Diego.

The zero stone at San Antonio was dedicated 1924, by Gov. Pat Neff, city, state, federal and army officials, women's clubs and the Old Freighters Association.

A monument will be dedicated at St. Augustine, Florida, April 3, 1929, in connection with three days of old Spanish pageantry. A cut of the monument is shown on page 13; it is globe of coquina, a material typical of the "Ancient City." It will stand with the Ponce de Leon monument, the Bridge of Lions and other symbols of Saint Augustine's romantic history and characteristic of her present-day charm.

It was erected by the Exchange Club. City, state, and national officials, and representatives of the Spanish government will participate in the ceremonies. A motoreade will start from San Diego, Cal., others will join along the way.

The dedication will be a celebration of victory by the men and women whose labors, after thirteen years of work, have opened a new world to the American people in those lands that were a wonderful world to the Spanish conquistadores and the faithful padres centuries ago.

At the celebration there will be a business session for the election of new officers of the national Old Spanish Trail organization and to decide upon future policies now that the highway construction is so well advanced.

