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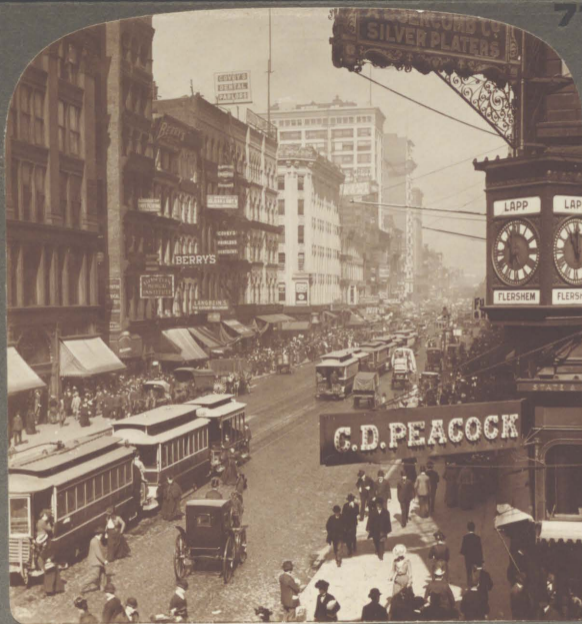
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This is the most notable of the great business thoroughfares running north and south. As you stand here now, the cross street at your right (Adams) leads straight east to where the Art Institute stands in a little green park alongside Lake Michigan. The lake is only three blocks away.

This part of State Street does an immense volume of retail business. Peacock's, just here at the right, is a well known jeweler's shop. Berry's, over there on the west side is a popular restaurant and candy shop. That large white building towering above its neighbors farther along there on the west side is a big department store called "The Fair." One of the largest and finest department stores in the country (Marshall Field's) is a little farther north, on this nearer (east) side of the street.

Within the radius of a mile from the point where you now stand are the various stations of the railway lines which center here. Chicago is the greatest railway center in the world. More than 110,000 miles of contributing lines make connection here. Nearly three hundred through trains for passenger service and five hundred for freight arrive and depart each day, besides more than seven hundred local and suburban trains.

The growth of the city is something phenomenal even in America. One hundred years ago there was a fort here with a few huts, occupied by traders, clustered around it. In 1871 there were 77,000 people here and the famous fire of that year found over \$190,000,000 worth of property to destroy. Today the population is over 1,698,575 and the property valuation is enormously greater in proportion than at the time of the fire.

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State Street, Chicago, a Thoroughfare 18 Miles long, Illinois.

Rue State à Chicago, avenue de 18 milles de long, Illinois.

State-Strasse, Chicago, Illinois, 18 Meilen lang.

Calle State, Chicago, avenida de 18 millas de largo, Illinois.

State Street, Chicago, en 18 mils lang gata, Illinois.

Штатская улица (18 миль длиною), Чикаго, Иллинойс.