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The enormous electric power developed in the engine room, an ultimate capacity of 12000-horse power having been provided for, is controlled by one of the largest electric switchboards ever constructed, specially designed for this plant and carrying all the necessary instruments and appliances to insure reliable service in every portion of the buildings day and night. A picture of this switchboard is given in this stereoscopic view. Not only is this one of the largest switchboards ever constructed, but in the matter of special features, special apparatus designed to serve a special purpose, this switchboard is undoubtedly unique. The plant is equipped with a supervisory signal system which indicates on the switchboard at any time of night or day the condition of all the fire protection appliances and the other special services furnished throughout the numerous buildings. The engineer standing before this switchboard finds it an index to conditions prevailing at any given spot in the plant and enables him to furnish a service which guarantees the best results for all concerned. The wonderful advancement made in electrical science in recent years is well exemplified in this marvelous switchboard which carries the very latest and most scientific apparatus, insuring the comfort and safety of the thousands of people employed by us.