

NEW MANAGER AT THE RITZ-CARLTON

Mr. Rodolphe Bischoff Is Succeeded by Mr. Frank Quick

Mr. Rodolphe Bischoff, for the past two years manager of the Ritz Carlton Hotel, has retired and will be succeeded by Mr. Frank Quick, formerly of the Chateau Frontenac, but during the past two years manager of the C.P.R. hotel at Banff. Mr. Quick is now at the Place Viger and will enter upon his new duties today. This does not mean, however, that the hotel comes under the jurisdiction of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company.

Mr. Bischoff, who has made many friends both in the hotel and in the city generally since taking possession of the Ritz Carlton two years ago, confirmed the report of his retirement when seen last evening and intimated that his successor would take charge immediately.

Mr. Bischoff explained that circumstances over which he had no control made it necessary on his part to resign. He was by birth an Austrian, leaving that country when he was thirteen years of age, and, in fact, it could be truthfully said that he had a French heart. In war time Mr. Bischoff went on, prejudices arise and although he had been treated with the greatest kindness by the president and directors he felt that at the present time the business of the house, which is always the first consideration, made a change necessary. He regretted that the situation demanded such a step on his part for he had made many friends in this city.

At the outbreak of the war Mr. Bischoff said he had been amongst the first to report himself to the authorities, although, he added, that he had never performed any drill and had never put in a month's service on behalf of the country in which by accident he had come into the world, as the state of his health had exempted him from any such duty even if he had lived in Vienna instead of England and Montreal.

Mr. Bischoff began hotel work with Mr. Ritz when he kept the National Hotel in Lucerne and later on accompanied him to the Old Savoy, London. He then again accompanied Mr. Ritz to the Ritz in Paris and after five years' service in that city he returned for another five years to the Carlton, London. His next position was manager of the Trianon Palace at Versailles, where he remained three years, coming to Montreal two years ago.

Mr. Bischoff said that he would report to the company in New York as he did not apprehend any difficulty in getting out of Canada as he had never been able to put in military service. He was taking away with him the best wishes of his friends and would ever have the most pleasant recollections of his two years' sojourn in this city.