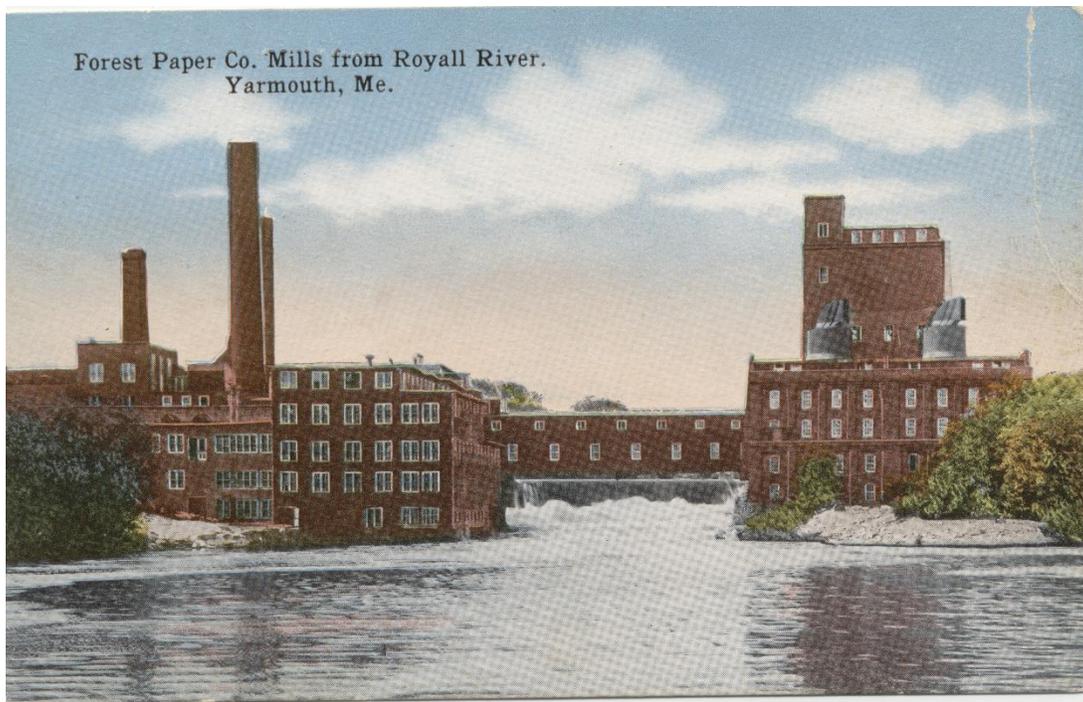You're here! This selfie station is part of *Discover the Royal*, a month-long celebration of the Royal River and its history. Pick up a trail map at the Yarmouth History Center (118 East Elm Street) or online at www.RRCT.org to explore five walking trails in four towns. Snap a photo at one or all of the trailside selfie stations and email it to info@RRCT.org to enter to win a 2018 Maine State Park pass. Winners will be drawn on November 1. For more information, please visit www.RRCT.org.

Forest Paper Co. Mills from Royall River.
Yarmouth, Me.

Pause a moment to take in this historic view of the Forest Paper Company, which operated on this site along the Royal River from 1874 until 1923. At its height, it was the world's largest producer of high quality soda pulp, a component in paper making. Spanning the river and covering 10 acres in what is now Royal River Park, the mill employed about 275 people and consumed massive quantities of poplar wood. *Photo from the collection of the Yarmouth Historical Society.*

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Yarmouth Trolley Bridge

The original bridge spanning this location on the Royal River was built in 1906 to carry the Freeport and Brunswick trolleys into Yarmouth, where they followed Main Street and connected to the Portland lines at a station near the Grand Trunk train depot. Trolley service to Yarmouth ceased in 1933. *Photo from the collection of the Yarmouth Historical Society.*

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[view here will be the real bridge behind the History Center]

Frame yourself within this classic Yarmouth view above the Royal River's fourth falls. This section of the Royal River was once a busy industrial area hosting a variety of businesses: an iron refinery, a grist mill, a shoe factory, a paper mill, a poultry processing plant, and, during the winter months, an ice harvesting business. Now, this beautiful recreational area on the Royal is a popular launching point for canoers, paddle boarders, ice skaters, and Nordic skiers. Keep an eye out for turtles, herons, beavers, and other wildlife!

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[view here will be the painting of the *PN Blanchard* in the museum]

Take a virtual adventure on the high seas by photographing yourself with the *P.N. Blanchard*, a three-masted ship built at the mouth of the Royal River at the Blanchard Bros. Shipyard in 1876. The Blanchard shipyard had a reputation for producing some of the finest vessels launched in Maine. Every ship built by the Blanchards was reported by the Portland papers as a "model ship from a model shipyard." The Blanchard shipyard was also known for being the first shipyard in New England to fit iron masts to a vessel.

Stand on the X marked on the gallery floor to get the best background for your high seas photo.