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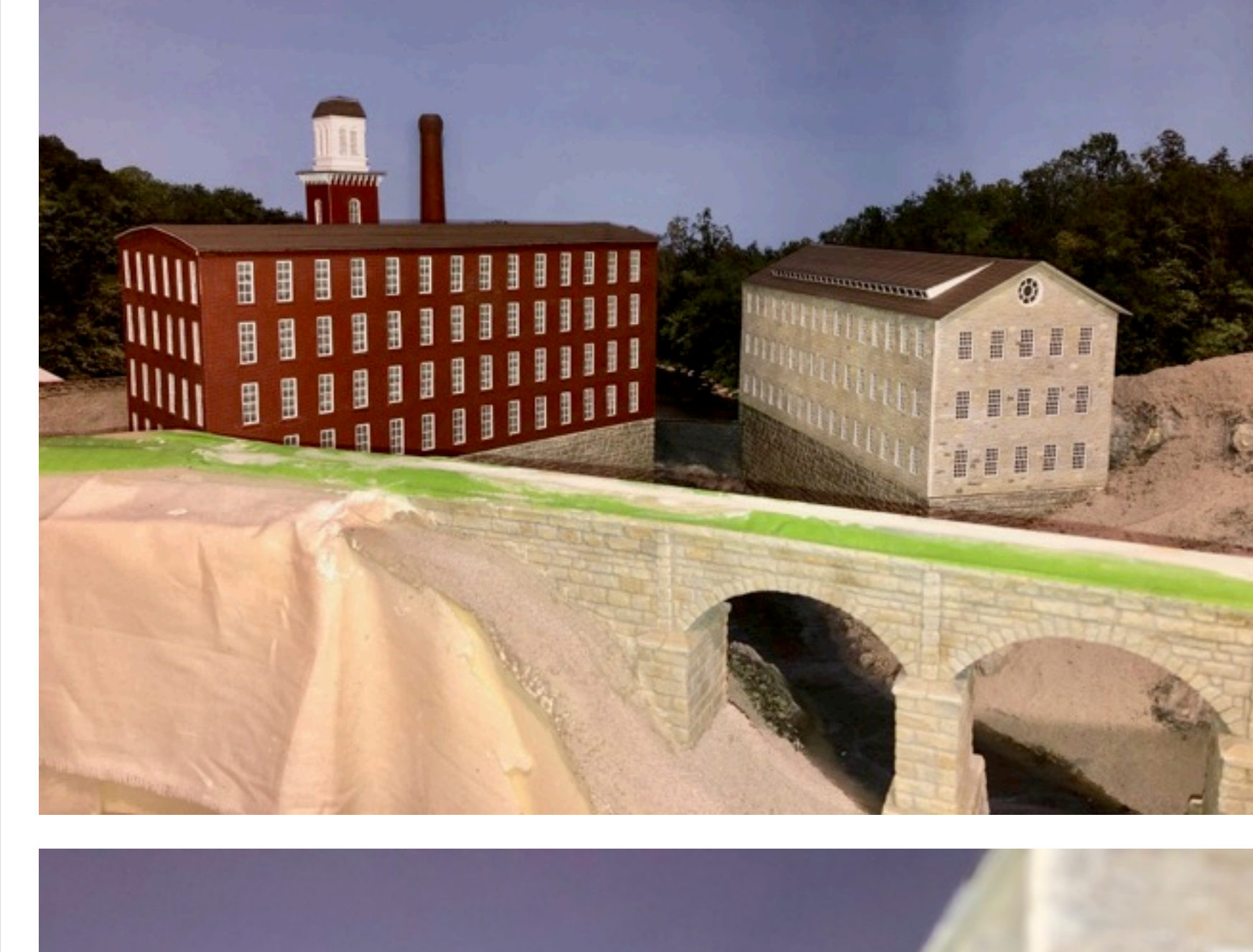
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11-02-2019, 12:37 PM #586

Wife finished painting the mill pond (piece of styrene) to match the backdrop. (It actually looks better than the photos, that's currently a dark corner and will need special attention when I do layout lighting.)



Next steps here are to glue down the 'mill pond,' 'paint' it with gloss medium, add the waterfall over the dam and the water along the mill stream. I also need to permanently attach the backdrops, which will be a challenge.

dave

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Dave,

This is looking fabulous! Excellent jobs with the backdrop, mill pond, "water features" and so on! Drive out

Pete

in Michigan

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It was an amazing day on the SL&N. James Van Bokkelen came over, showed me how to use the voltmeter to inspect/debug track. Then, once he found where I put that RS-1 I got as a test loco, and cleaned A LOT of track, we ran the loco over 60% of the main line! I have LOTS of work to do, including hooking up the small yard trackage to the power bus, finding a short in one section of track, fixing lots and lots of misalignment and track glitches. But this was extremely helpful, as in 50 years as a model railroader, I can count the number of times I actually moved a locomotive on my track on the fingers of one hand!

We also looked at those little LEDs that I got that are pre-wired with a resistor, figuring out likely voltage and current draw. Again, more education on how to use the voltmeter (and how to think about the problem...)

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In such little steps a Journey of greatness is started. Congratulations

Bob

It's only make-believe

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It was a productive afternoon and I was happy to help, Dave.

James

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02-01-2020, 10:47 AM #592

I got a stone arch from Russ Greene at Springfield, to cut into the wall as the outflow for the stone mill. I still have to color the arch to match, fill in and fill behind the hole, but I think it looks pretty good.



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02-01-2020, 11:41 AM #593

Looks good to me, Dave! Nice find!

Pete

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The outlet adds to the realism of the scene. First rate job.

Mike

I was so much older then, I'm younger than that now Bob Dylan

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The whole scene seems right and very well done to me.

TomO

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The hole looks like nothing but the arch is sharp.

Bob

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What they said.

James

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Credit goes to Russ Greene, both the arch and the stone wall behind it are NE Brownstone products.

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I really like the look of the mill and the new arch. That is really nice.

Chuck

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02-09-2020, 01:38 PM #600

In addition to some track work, I worked on the mill race outlet.

I have to correct the color on the arch and touch up paint inside the tunnel, but overall this came out very nice.

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