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ANOTHER FEET FROM THE
STREET RAILWAY COMPANY

St. John, N. B., Nov. 14th, 1906.
To the Editor of the Star.
Sir—In an editorial in your issue of Monday last you call my attention to a self evident error in a previous letter to the Star in the comparative use made of the street car service by the peoples of St. John and Halifax. The statement of street car travel in various cities in Canada was not made up by me but taken from the St. John Daily Sun of November 11th, 1905 and accepted as correct without question. On looking further into the matter I find that the figures were evidently based upon the report of the Department of Railways and Canals for 1904 pages 108-9 and I have no doubt were published by the Sun in good faith. Through a typographical error in the official report the St. John Railway Company is credited with one million less passengers than were actually carried. The figures given in the official report are for St. John 1,396,388 which should be 2,396,388 as given to me in a letter to the Star. From this it will appear that it is either the clerk who copied the returns or the proof reader in the King's Printers office at Ottawa who is responsible for the mistake. My error was in accepting as correct the figures published in the Sun without first checking them. This explanation to some extent removes the sting from an editorial paragraph which followed your article and is as follows:

"When the street railway people assert that only thirty-one car rides per head of population are carried in St. John, and that there are only forty-five gas consumers per mile of main pipe, and when it turns out that as a matter of fact about seven car rides are taken per head of population may not some doubt be felt as to the accuracy of the statement concerning the number of gas consumers?"

In connection with the foregoing I may say that I have always endeavored to give correct figures and feel justified in stating that the figures which have been taken from the books of the St. John Railway Company they have been correct and the instance you have pointed out is the only one in which figures procured from other sources have proved to be incorrect. Further I may be pardoned for pointing out that you are hardly fair to the St. John Railway Company in your article as you take the figures of passengers carried as furnished by me to prove that the number of persons using the cars in St. John was greater than credited in the table I had copied from the Sun, while later on you use the erroneous figures of the official report the same figures which show the according to population the people of St. John use street cars less frequently than those of any other city in Canada to prove that there has been an expansion of nearly 100 per cent. in the number of passengers carried in 1905 as compared with 1904. The increase instead of being 1,212,212 as you state it was only 212,212 a vast difference. If my figures were sufficiently correct for you to base on portion of your argument on they should also have been taken for the other comparison to make it fair to the company. In passing I would say that the figures you give on given out by me were taken from the office copy of the returns furnished to the Department of Railways and Canals and were made under oath as required by law. Notwithstanding that there was an error in the original statement of per capita travel in St. John as compared with Halifax your own figures show that the people of our sister city are more generous in their patronage of the street railway than those of St. John.

If I have interpreted your argument correctly it is that an increased service would bring increased patronage to the railway and therefore larger net results. Well, in reply to that the returns of actual results show that an improved service did not bring a corresponding increase even in the gross revenue, to say nothing of the net results. Between 1904 and 1905 inclusive, the car mileage on the St. John Railway was increased from 53,173 to 67,403 miles, an increase of 13,830 car miles. In the same period the number of passengers carried increased from 2,288,388 to 2,688,388, an increase of 299,600, or less than two passengers for every additional mile the cars run, and as the cost of running cars per mile in 1904 was 13 cents, it does not take a mathematician to figure that the increased accommodation furnished the public was at a loss to the company and in advance of the real demands of the public. It was this fact that led me to point out in a previous letter that the growth of street railway travel in St. John is very slow, and that neither extensions nor an improved service can force this development beyond certain limits. Facts have been tried by the St. John Railway Company with the result that the net earnings have been reduced during the period above mentioned \$1,161—a portion of which decrease it is only fair to add in due to the payment of higher wages than formerly.

So far as the profit or loss on the extensions of the railway are concerned, whether it would have been more profitable to extend in other directions than those selected by the directors must remain a matter of opinion only until the extensions suggested have been made and results proved. At the present time the people of St. John are enjoying a much better street railway service than they had a few years ago, a fact which you are good enough to admit, though you refuse to give credit to the company making

the improvement. But the financial results of the improvement so far made are not much as justify the company further increasing the car mileage until the present conditions would be folly for the directors to reduce fares or increase the number of trips made by the cars. The St. John Railway Company has always shown a desire to serve the public, and will continue to do so. You have asked for a list of the shareholders, this we have no right to publish without their consent, nor have we a right to give the amount of their holding to anyone. I cannot see that any benefit would accrue to the public by the publication of this list.

Yours truly,
H. W. HOPPER,
Sec.-Treas. The Saint John Railway Company.

FRANCIS IS TRYING TO REACH A FOREIGN LAND

But the Maine Police are Watching all Shipping and Hope to Catch Him

THOMASTON, Me., Nov. 14—Late today Warden Norton learned from prisoners that Minot St. Clair Francis had made inquiries from them regarding the kind of steamers sailing from Stockton Springs. The warden is of the opinion that Francis will attempt to ship from Stockton Springs to Boston or New York and there board a vessel for some foreign country. As he is wanted in Maine and Massachusetts, the vigilance of the federal officers probably will not dare to remain in any of the eastern states, it is believed he will attempt to reach a foreign port.

Tomorrow a man will be sent to Stockton Springs to search all outgoing vessels. Agents of the steamship companies along the North Atlantic coast will be notified to keep a sharp watch and advised that a reward of \$300 for him, dead or alive. No further clue had been found tonight.

SENATOR PRATT AND WIFE DECIDE TO SEPARATE

Daily Sensational Stories Published, But Admit That There Have Been Many Quarrels

NEW YORK, Nov. 14.—Senator T. C. Platt and Mrs. Platt, after a long series of quarrels, have decided to separate. Attorney Weaver, No. 111 Broadway, acting for Mrs. Platt, made the announcement yesterday. The deed was signed by both, but not in the presence of either, and is as follows: "Owing to unhappy differences between them the undersigned have this day executed a deed of separation. While making such announcement, we wish to assert with all possible emphasis the falsity of the scandalous articles which have lately appeared in the public prints. While there have been a series of differences and disputes which seem to make a separation advisable, there has been no conduct upon the part of either which could possibly be the foundation of a divorce action. No question of the infidelity of either to the other has ever been raised. Statements which have charged violent and disgraceful scenes between us are absolutely false."
(Signed) T. C. PLATT,
LILLIAN T. PLATT.

TO SPEND \$6,000,000 ON PUBLIC WORKS

HAVANA, Nov. 14.—The expenditure of \$6,000,000 for public work now under course of construction or of urgent necessity has been recommended by Lt. General William M. Busek in a report which has been approved by Governor Masoan. This sum is a portion of the \$10,000,000 provided for such purposes by the Cuban budget. The remainder of this amount, \$7,000,000, will not be expended before the completion of a further study of conditions upon which a supplementary report is to be made. The projects authorized consist mainly of the extension of important highways, the completion of public buildings and improvements in hospitals.

SITUATIONS VACANT—FEMALE

WANTED—A competent nurse. Apply to MRS. WALTER ALLEN between Macaulay Road, 123 Carmarthen street.
WANTED—Girl for general housework in family of two. Apply to MRS. R. T. WORDEN, 123 King Street, East.
WANTED—At once for the best places, with highest wages, nurse, maids, housemaids, cooks, a farmer and his wife for a sanatorium in Maine, U. S. A. Apply MISS HANSON, care Women's Exchange, 133 Charlotte street.
WANTED—Three maids, one assistant cook, 18 to 25 per month. Also a farmer and his wife for a sanatorium in Maine, U. S. A. Apply MISS HANSON, care Women's Exchange, 133 Charlotte street.
WANTED—A young girl to assist in housework. Apply to MRS. S. L. KERR, 124 Duke street.
WANTED—A girl for general housework, three in family. No washing or ironing. 20 Orange street.
WANTED—A girl for general housework in family of three. Apply to Mrs. J. W. DANIEL, 148 Princess street.
WANTED—Girl for general housework in small family. Apply I. O. S. Union street, left bell.
WANTED—Girl for general housework in family of three. Apply 104 Carmarthen street, in evenings.
WANTED—Girl for general housework, also capable housemaid. Apply at once to 75 King street, good wages.
WANTED—Girl to work on machines or by hand. Good wages paid. Steady work guaranteed. Apply J. SHANE & CO., 111 Central street.

MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS

GEO. ATKINS, Piano and Organ tuner, 125 Germain street. Special attention paid to restoring Pianos and Organs to their original tone.

LOST

LOST—Small terrier dog with white breast, feet and forehead. Finder please leave at this office.

ROOSEVELT ON A TRIP TO PANAMA

Being Ahead of Time He Was Not Welcomed

This is the First Trip of a President Outside the Boundaries of the United States.

COLON, Nov. 14.—The first trip of an American president outside of the boundaries of the United States, was successfully concluded this afternoon at half-past one o'clock when the battleship Louisiana, having on board President Roosevelt and his party, dropped anchor in the harbor of Colon. The Louisiana, which arrived ahead of schedule time, was conveyed by the three vessels anchored outside a mile from the dock during a heavy rainfall. Owing to the fact that Louisiana arrived ahead of time, neither President Amador, of Panama, nor Chairman Shonts, of the Isthmian Canal Commission, was on hand to welcome the President. He left Panama at half-past four o'clock in a special train for Colon, and at half-past eight o'clock tonight, boarded the Louisiana and extended a cordial greeting to America's chief executive. In President Amador's presence, beside Mr. Shonts, were Chief Engineer Stevens and executive Secretary Reed, of the commission, and Mr. Squires, the American minister at Panama.

During the afternoon President Roosevelt received the local newspaper correspondents on board the Louisiana. He said that his voyage had been pleasant and uneventful and expressed himself as gratified with the welcome which the citizens of the Isthmus are preparing for him when he lands tomorrow. He stated that he proposed to look into the Isthmian labor question and also intended to see everything possible concerning the canal. Extensive preparations have been made to protect President Roosevelt during his three days visit on the Isthmus, and it is reported that a number of known anarchists have been arrested here or at Panama.

All steamers arriving at the Isthmus are inspected and suspicious characters are imprisoned and will be held until the day President Roosevelt departs. He will begin his tour of inspection tomorrow and an extensive programme of official entertainments has been prepared.

A GOOD EXCUSE

(Rochester Herald.)
A Washington woman prominent in the official set of the national capital invited an attaché of one of the legations famous for his extreme politeness. The invitation was formally accepted, but on the morning of the appointed day she received a note, written by the diplomat's valet, and couched in the following terms:

"Sorrow Blank regrets much that he will not be able to attend Mrs. So-and-So's reception on the evening of the 22nd instant, as he is dead."

INDIANS PLEAD TO BE ALLOWED THEIR LAND

Much Suffering Likely to Follow the Policy Adopted by the United States

VINITA, I. T., Nov. 14.—W. C. Duncan, a full-blooded Cherokee Indian, made a dramatic plea today to the Senate Indian Affairs Committee for removal of restrictions of all kinds from the lands of the Cherokee Indians. He said his full-blooded brethren would fight to the death. He had devoted most of his life to the improvement of a 20 acre farm near Vinita, to be in comfort for his old age. Under the present law, he could not put money in his head right was \$22. This enabled him to take only sixty acres of the kind of land of which his farm was composed. He was not permitted to buy the remaining portion of his farm and other Cherokee chiefs took it. Even the corn that stood ripening in the fields. Since that time the utmost toil and labor had not enabled him to make a living from his land and property in his old age awaited him.

"If I, with my intelligence and the good soil of my place cannot make a living, what is the misery that will come to the ignorant full-bloods in the dirt hills east of here?" asked Duncan. Senator Teller told Duncan that years ago he had foreseen what would happen under the Curtis bill, and that he had opposed the allotments of lands in Indian territory.

The Senator today discussed means of keeping the enormous oil, gas and coal deposits of the territory from falling into the hands of great syndicates.

EXPECTS MERGER TO TAKE PLACE

Senator Thompson Returns to Fredericton After Conference with General Manager Clouston

FREDERICTON, Nov. 14.—Hon. F. E. Thompson, vice-president of the People's Bank of New Brunswick, returned today at noon from Montreal, where he went with A. H. F. Randolph, president of the People's Bank, to have a conference with Mr. Clouston, general manager of the Bank of Montreal. This afternoon the senator was seen at the head offices of the New Brunswick Telephone Co. by a reporter and asked in reference to the current reports to the effect the proposed merger of the People's Bank and the Bank of Montreal would not go through and that if it did go through it would not be until next year.

The senator said that if the merger did not go through until next July it would be a disaster to the province. He felt that there was not a possibility of the merger failing to go through and expected to see everything completed early in the new year.

NEW YORK, Nov. 14.—The World tomorrow will say: Senator Thomas C. Platt and his wife, formerly Mrs. Lillian T. Janeway, have agreed to separate.

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FOR SALE CHEAP, as owner has no more use for him, a horse about 10 cwt. Apply JAMES MCKENNA, 197 Chesley street.
FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE—A two story house, 73 Spring street, 12 rooms, large cellar, lawn and several trees in front. Barn in rear. Easy terms. Apply to W. A. STEPPER, 137 Mill street.
FOR SALE—At Dwyer's Umbrella Store, 410 up; Ordinary, 50c. up. L. S. Cane. We use no other in our shop seating. Perforated Seats, shaped square. Light, Dark. Umbrella recovering and repairing. 17 Waterloo St. tf

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TO LET—Two small tenements, each containing two rooms and two bedrooms. Rent, \$4.50 per month. Situated on Metcalf street. Inquire of G. E. COVAIN, 29 Main street, 231-15.
TO LET—Two small self-contained houses, 391 Haymarket Square. 9-10-11

BOARDING

BOARD—Board and Room at 143 Union street.
ROOM AND BOARD—Comfortably furnished, rooms and board. Apply 15 Orange street.
BOARDERS WANTED—Comfortable rooms. Good board. Cor. Garfield and Charles streets.
BOARDING—Apply at the LANS-DOWNE HOUSE for pleasant rooms with board. 40 King Square. 6-11-17
BOARDING—Front rooms, hot water heating, with bath. German St. 31-10-3v

ROOMS TO LET

TO LET—Furnished rooms at Tremont, suitable for light housekeeping, at very moderate rates. 23-2-17
TO LET—Two or three unfurnished rooms suitable for light housekeeping. Apply 173 St. James St. 14-17

WANTED

WANTED—To purchase house, self-contained or two family. Vicinity of Douglas Ave. Address Q, Star Office. 12-11-6
WANTED—By married couple with baby, two rooms with board in private family, desirable. Send a card to GEO. D. HUNTER, 23 High street, St. John, North End. 27-10-17

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WANTED—A teamster. Apply at TWO BARKERS, 100 Princess St.
WANTED—Ten Carpenters wanted immediately. Also 3 or 4 laborers. Apply to HYGIENIC BAKERY, 15-11-17
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WANTED—An office boy. Apply by telephone to THE FROST & WOOD CO. P. O. Box 118, City. 12-11-17
WANTED—A good steady boy. Apply at A. GILMOUR'S, King street. 12-11-17
WANTED—Several junior salesmen, three or four years experience in retail trade. Also boys to learn business. Apply at ONE MANCHESTER, ROBERTSON, ALLISON, Ltd. 9-11-17

MISCELLANEOUS

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WILLIAM H. PATTERSON, Graduate Doctor of Optics, 55 Brussels street. Glasses perfectly right, two years ago. "What a thing for me to do. But then, it will not make much difference." The correspondent, describing the age of the writer, says of him: "He foresaw the union of the German States before Palmerston would acknowledge the possibility of such an amalgamation. He foresaw the union of the United States and Canada today, while many dispute its probability. He has been closely connected with the great evolutionary movements than any other Englishman now living. He has been intimate with men and women of note than any other two men."

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