

RUSTING RAILS MAKE MORE ROOM FOR SPEEDY TRAFFIC

**Toronto Does Excellently
With Jitney and Truck
Services.**

DREAMS OF OMNIBUSES

Is anything an absolute necessity? Every hundred persons out of every hundred and one believed up to Tuesday last that the Toronto street railway cars could under no circumstances be dispensed with. Today they have altered that opinion, and, although suffering inconveniences, they are going about their business and traveling from home to office and office to home by means of a quickly organized fleet of jitneys. The public, by their actions and conversations, are evidently tired of this yearly hold-up in street car matters and apparently, by the support they are giving jitneys, are determined to force a "show-down" and end the matter once and for all time.

Considering every circumstance there can be no doubt that the public are getting at the present time fairly cheap transportation, if one takes into consideration the fact that a strike is in existence. This brings up the point as to how the jitney owner is making out. From all The World could learn yesterday he is doing fairly well, especially if he runs a truck which will carry from twelve to twenty passengers. The owner of an ordinary car is not quite so prosperous as his "truck" rival. To operate a Ford car in the city it costs 8 cents per mile when gas, oil, wear and tear of car and tires and insurance are included in the estimate. Supposing a Ford jitney owner packed five passengers in his car and ran them three miles, he would earn 75 cents. From this must be deducted 24 cents for expenses, leaving a profit balance of 51 cents for the run. In all probability the jitney on the return journey would be empty, but the eight cents per mile would still be in existence and would have to be deducted from the profits of the first run.

Ford Truck Figures.
On the other hand a man owning a Ford truck could put twenty passengers in it, and supposing he ran a distance of two miles, he would take for fares \$2.00, for which only 16 cents would be deductible, and this leaves him a profit of \$1.84 on the run. Of course the truck owner is under the same disability as the proprietor in regard to the unremunerative return journey.

The reason given for so few large cars plying for hire as jitneys is that the cost of running in the city is too great to come out with a profit. The Ford, it is said, stands for jitney work in a class by itself.

Some properly constructed buses from Leaside and Sunnyside have been operating in the city during the past two days, and it is said have made good. It is estimated these cost 15 cents per mile to operate, plus the motorman's salary. They can accommodate about 20 passengers and thus earn \$1 per mile from fares. As they travel at a good pace, the profits on these buses should be very good and satisfactory.

Advantages of Buses.
The present car strike has taken the public thoughts to the advantages of buses over street cars and to the recollections of how excellently motor bus traffic of London (England) and Paris (France) is conducted to the people's advantage. A double-deck motor bus in London carries 48 passengers and does the journey from Liverpool street to Charing Cross far quicker than a Toronto street car travels from King to Yonge to North Toronto Station, just about the same distance. The traffic difficulties of the narrow city of London streets are taken into consideration and the reliability of the bus service, compared with the Toronto street car service, it will at once be realized that much may be said in favor of the bus as against the street car.

In New York the merchants on Broadway are raising a fund to get rid of the street cars and substitute a bus service. The same thing is happening in Chicago and other American cities. It was suggested to The World yesterday that the traffic problem of Yonge street could be solved by pulling up the street railway lines and running a service of double-deck motor buses in place of the cars. That such a scheme would relieve the congestion on the streets there can be no doubt and transportation be much more expeditious.

New Transport System.
Out of evil comes good, the preachers tell us. If out of the present car strike the public evolves for itself a new transportation system composed of buses and car lines there will have been some justification for the strike.

Some of the men running motor truck jitneys yesterday must have been, some 15 to 20 years ago, conductors on the old knife board buses in the old country. To see them standing on the back steps of the truck and holding on by a piece of string attached to the side of the van, and to hear their Cockney cry of "Five cents a mile," "Fifteen cents to Sunnyside," "The old firm, lady," and on seeing a man, his wife and child hesitating between a car and a "buck," shout out, "Come on, governor, take the family and the furniture (a push cart) for 35 cents"—the whole scene was indeed reminiscent of English bus life of 40 years ago.

It was stated last night that many jitney drivers had agreed amongst themselves not to run their cars after midnight, but there has been no definite move in this respect.

BALA WEEK-END TRAIN FIRST THIRP SATURDAY, JUNE 26

Canadian Pacific Bala week-end train will make first trip of the season leaving Toronto 12:30 p.m., Saturday, June 26, due Severn Falls 4:32 p.m. and Bala 4:30 p.m. Returning, leave Bala 8:30 p.m., Sunday, June 27, Severn Falls 8:50 p.m., arrive Toronto 10:30 p.m. Tickets will be on sale at principal intermediate stations. For particulars from Canadian Pacific ticket agents.



Illustrating picture taken outside St. James' Cathedral yesterday morning shows cripples, sick and blind flocking to receive health at the hands of Hickson, the Healer. Mr. Hickson is seen in circle inset. While no outward cures were performed, the exaltation of the throng in the cathedral was strong evidence of the fervor with which they received the "laying on of hands" and prayed for physical betterment.

MAIMED AND BLIND THRONG ST. JAMES'

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In the divine grace, by the patient. He did not say whether the subjects would feel any power passing from himself to them, or receive inward assurance that what they desired would come to pass. Probably some did; but few showed the visible signs of having passed through a beatific crisis such as some newspaper writers seem to have imagined they did.

Where Mr. Hickson disclaimed so much of what curious and unthinking persons have attributed to him, it is worth while trying to appreciate what sort of man he is, exactly what he teaches, and how he uses the gift thru which spiritual healing is "transmitted" to the sufferer.

Mr. Hickson is a layman, apparently in the early forties. His manner of speech is rather that of the Anglican clergy, but not pronouncedly English, but he says "just" for "just" after the fashion of certain of the Episcopians. Some say you expected to find an ascetic compulsion, expressing itself in melting words. He is not like that at all. He is Sir Clifford Sifton spiritualized.

He isn't at all as the most remarkable combination of business man, machine politician and statesman, Canada has ever produced. He has the Sifton head, with larger eyes. Seeing him in profile and in the evening you might easily mistake him for the knight, a square head, with plenty of width between the ears; hair coming almost to a point on the forehead, the whole set on a big, strong neck and broad shoulders, and giving an impression of forcefulness—masterfulness, even—which is fully established as soon as he speaks.

The voice is stronger than Sir Clifford's, and he is accustomed to speaking to vast assemblies. But there is the same lack of expression in the face that marks the spoken delivery of the former minister of the interior. He speaks like a ruler more than like a pleader. He directs more than he pleads. He first learned of his healing gift when he was fourteen years old. But his natural force has never been abated by his spiritual exertions. If he had joined the army as a private he would have become a sergeant-major, and his men would have known him as a disciplinarian. What Christian grace has done for him only he probably knows. A man with the Hickson voice and direct, commanding manner never, by nature, is a failure.

Little finger is a big ring. He wears a dark business suit. When he says, reverently, that Jesus went about His father's business in a business way, he is expressing his own method and personality.

He would look in place in any executive office in the city. He would not seem comfortable in clerical attire. Faith with him does not appear to be an emotion. It is a reasoning and reasonable quality, in which heart and spirit and mind work a perfect team, and give his teaching a force and conviction and success that require only one antecedent predication. Given the New Testament, and sincere belief that

Thy touch has still its ancient power;

No word from Thee can fruitless fall; Hear in this solemn evening hour, And in thy mercy heal us all, and the Hickson presentation of the gospel of Jesus is the most reasonable thing in the Christian world. It is not my mission, he says, it is yours. We shall get out of it only what we put into it. I am not a healer—the only healer is Christ, who uses the power of God. The doctors use the power of God, which He has placed in vegetable and mineral substances. A man doesn't have to be a Christian in order to use the gifts of God that are in medicine and surgery. They are gifts on the physical plane, and are not spiritual healing, which is Christ's alone. I have no more power to heal than an electric bulb has to give light without electricity.

Mr. Hickson admits that healing is often in mental suggestion. Psychology is all right in its place. But there are other gifts that belong to the church, exactly as the New Testament sets forth. If God can put healing into mineral and vegetable matter, surely he can put it into the human channels of his children. Christ's power to cure is not limited to functional disorders. "It is as easy for Him to heal cancer as a headache."

Relation to Christ.
Our relation to Christ? We are members of His body, said Mr. Hickson, and then he gave a flash of illumination to that great phrase: "Doesn't a mother want to see her child healed?" This preliminary to observing that it is one of the most unkind things to say about Christ—that while he has the power to heal His suffering followers, He has not the will.

So here, then, is the teaching which, whether its application cures this or that person, at least keeps Mr. Hickson working in different countries and among many multitudes, God has not withdrawn the gifts of which the early church profited. He works thru His servants. His will, not theirs, being the operating agent. Sufferers must

be passive and faithful, and most continue to be willing to receive the divine power—at least ten minutes daily of perfect passivity and receptivity, without willing to be well, which is mental and not spiritual healing, is suggested by Mr. Hickson for a continuation of the work begun at the cathedral.

Imagine this teaching expounded by the forceful man here inadequately described to hundreds of sick people in a great church, who have been brought by their friends. The feeling is bound to be tense, the atmosphere laden with fervent prayers. Where there is so much supplicating, silent humanity there is no room for ecclesiastical pomp and circumstance. The parish clergy were "robbed," but others in the choir seats were in street attire. "Rock of Ages" was sung, and the rector prayed before Mr. Hickson spoke from the pulpit, concluding with a simple extempore prayer. He then walked straight to the first case—a lady on a stretcher at the foot of the chancel steps. He knelt on one knee, placed one hand on her head, held her hands with the other, and prayed aloud. Next he came to a girl on crutches beside the press pews—she had come from the rear, preferring to wait that way. The right hand he placed on her head, the left on her shoulder, and "Blessed Jesus" was besought to heal her and "to destroy the life of this disease."

These acts were swiftly repeated upon all the stretcher and chair cases that thronged the centre and eastern aisles. Frequently Mr. Hickson touched the attendant, also, while still in contact with the sick one, apparently desiring that the maximum of aid might be given by the friends, whom, in the pulpit, he had described as "the intercessors."

As the subjects were treated they were taken out by the church street door. A dozen or so of blind cases, chiefly of soldiers, were next taken to the altar, and then the children—about sixty of them. Every disclosure of the sick was, of course, a pathetic event. But the streaming of children to the altar—the waiting queue in the chancel, the frequency with which some child appeared, for whom till today the parents could have nourished

no hope—this was the most humbling spectacle of all.

Dr. Ham had all the time been making the organ whisper restfully to him who had ears, as well as eyes, with hymns that touch most deeply smitten and afflicted hearts. Mainly he played with J. I. Payne, controller of railway statistics, Ottawa, in which he declares the latter stated that the first report and each subsequent report Sir Adam's commission made affecting the London & Port Stanley Railway were "crooked."

Declaring that the conversation took place in the presence of several witnesses, Mr. Ingram continues that he was given permission by Mr. Payne to make use of the latter's statements and challenges Sir Adam to publish any doubt about their veracity, to ask Mr. Payne to publish all the correspondence, which took place between him, immediately upon his arrival in London, regarding those alleged crooked returns.

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SOLDIER APPOINTED REGISTRAR

John McLaren Beatty, a returned soldier, has been appointed by Attorney-General Raney as supreme court registrar, county court clerk and surrogate registrar for the county of Renfrew. He succeeds H. W. Perrett, who resigned the office recently.

When the war broke out Mr. Beatty was a student at Toronto University. He enlisted in September, 1914, and left for overseas with the first draft from the University of Toronto O. C. for the British army. At that time he was only seventeen years and nine months of age. He was wounded twice, the last being a severe injury to his arm and invalided out of the army after twenty-three months in the hospital.

\$50,000 FOR ARREST OF THIEVES.

The police circulars, with a list of the \$50,000 worth of diamonds stolen from A. Rosen's store, 125 West King street, were issued yesterday. A reward of \$5,000 is also offered for the arrest of the bandits.

MEETING IN CONVOCATION HALL

Mr. Hickson Gives Address on the Revival of the Ministry of Healing in the Church of Christ.

Convocation Hall was crowded last night, and some people waited at the doors for a chance to get in even until the meeting was over, when Mr. Hickson gave a forty-five minute address on "The Revival of the Ministry of Healing in the Church of Christ."

The Rev. G. F. B. Doherty of St. Luke's presided. The lesson was read and prayers offered by Dr. Reeve, assistant bishop of Toronto. Many clergymen were on the platform some of them obviously very sympathetic to all that was said, and some gave signs of being reverend Didymuses. The audience listened raptly to the speaker, who covered more amply the ground of his morning address in the cathedral. He supported the chairman's tribute to the committee which had arranged the mission, special praise being given to the Rev. Mr.

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Dykes, curate of St. George's, described as an organizing genius.
As in Apostolic Days.
Mr. Hickson having said that for three or four centuries the Christian church practiced healing as in apostolic days, said the use of the gift failed, because of lack of faith, which produced the heresy that disease and suffering are from the hand of God. Sick people, he thought, went to the priests and said, "You claim to represent Christ; but how is it that you do not heal us as He did the people?" To get out of a dilemma the lie was told that Almighty God now chose to afflict his children, whereas He desired to heal them, using the gift that was latent in others. It is no use, he said, the church claiming to hold gifts and not having the courage to use them. Christ healed the sick by transferring some of His life to them—as in the case of the woman who touched the hem of his garment. There is nothing more remarkable, in the transference of divine life into the body than there is in transferring divine life into the soul. In that connection he told something he did not say at the morning service. He is conscious all the time he is healing of life and power going thru him, which is proof that it is not himself who heals but Christ working thru him—what one English bishop had called a sort of second incarnation.

Giving some experiences of seventy missions in the United States, Mr. Hickson, said the spiritual results were visible even when the body failed to respond to the healing effort. Some who still suffered said they did not mind their trouble now—least of their affliction being on top of them they were above it. But the key to the whole matter is faith in God; without it nothing can be accomplished. With it all things are possible, and it was true that the blind had been made to see and the lame had thrown away their crutches.

SIR ADAM ATTACKED BY VICE-CHAIRMAN

Sensational charges were made in a statement yesterday by Vice-Chairman A. B. Ingram of the Ontario Railway Board in an attack upon Sir Adam Beck, chairman of the London railway commission, operating the London & Port Stanley Railway. Mr. Ingram relates a conversation which he claims to have had in London on Wednesday last with J. I. Payne, controller of railway statistics, Ottawa, in which he declares the latter stated that the first report and each subsequent report Sir Adam's commission made affecting the London & Port Stanley Railway were "crooked."

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NEW CAR FOR DETECTIVES

The Toronto police department have purchased a second, high-powered touring car for the detectives on the headquarters staff. This car is now in operation. Two new patrol wagons and two ambulances, with the same powered motors in them as the detective cars, have also been purchased and will be in operation shortly.

CHARGED WITH FORGERY.

Louis Bond was arrested in a downtown hotel yesterday by Detective Cronin on a charge of forgery. Bond is alleged to have forged the signature of a man named Saunders to a cheque for \$210 and cashed it with J. W. Silverthorn, 14 Yonge street. A second charge will likely be laid in police court this morning.

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