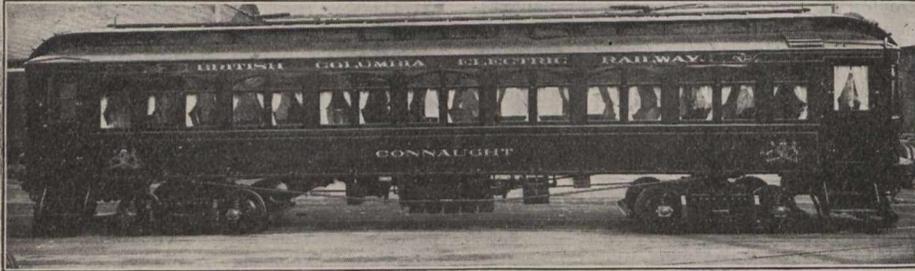


Royal Car on the British Columbia Electric Railway.

In connection with the recent visit of the Duke of Connaught to the Pacific coast the B.C. Electric Ry. was requested to arrange for the transportation of the royal party from Vancouver to New Westmin-



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ster. In order to meet the demands fittingly, the company decided to specially equip one of its cars, and this work was handsomely done in its shops. The accompanying illustration shows the exterior and interior of the car which was one of the regular cars built for the company's Fraser river division. The interior fittings were entirely taken out and re-arrangement made in parlor car style throughout. The interior trimmings were of rich green and cream, the company's colors, relieved by light silk curtains at the windows, the carpeting being green and the chairs and lounges richly upholstered in green plush. The car was equipped with frosted lights, and as a portion of the run was in the evening, luminous electric radiators provided heating. The exterior of the car was painted in green and cream, the name, Connaught, and the royal coat of arms appearing on either side.

Montreal Tramways Co.'s Freight Traffic.

The situation in regard to the carrying of freight through Montreal streets by the Montreal Tramways Co., has become rather interesting. For a considerable period, the company, then the Montreal St. Ry. Co., carried freight, but action was taken by the city to prevent this. A local decision was given against the company, which appealed to the Supreme Court. The latter body decided against the company early in October. The company immediately gave instructions that the decision be complied with, and the stoppage raised an outcry from contractors and others who have taken considerable advantage of the facilities offered by the company. The city council was approached by those concerned, and in turn the council appointed a special committee to interview the Tramways Co. management, with a view to returning to the former condition of affairs. The company, however, declined to do this unless the city council prepare and pass a bylaw giving the company the necessary permission. A bylaw is in course of preparation and will be dealt with as soon as possible, so that the facilities for the conveyance of contractors' and other materials across the city may be renewed.

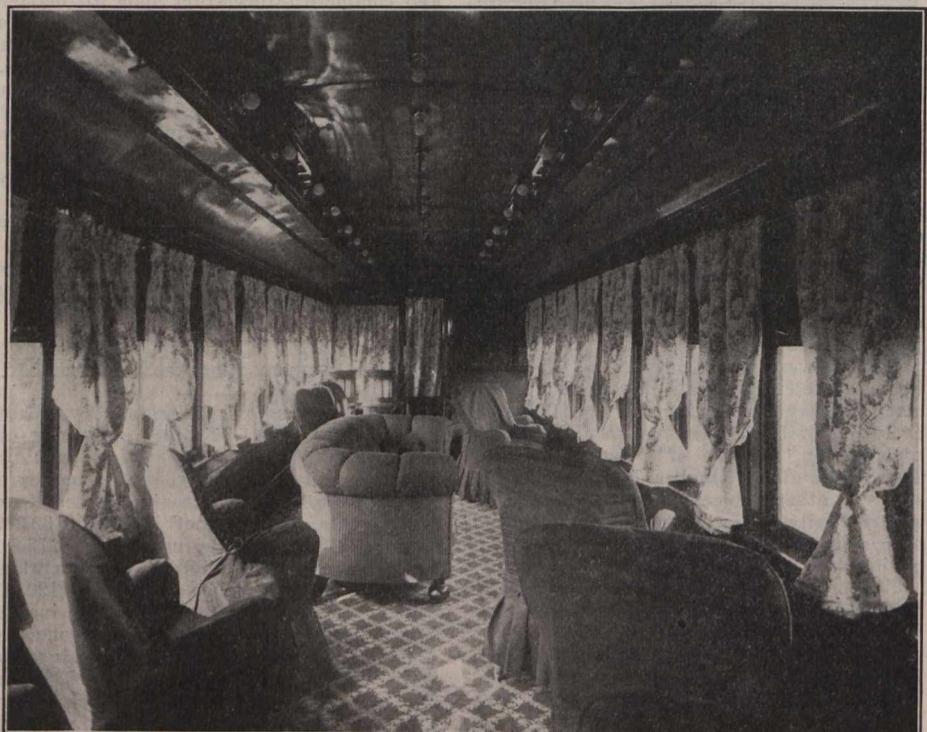
Calgary Municipal Ry.—Passenger earnings for Sept., \$59,136; miscellaneous earnings, \$820.25; total earnings, \$59,956.25; operating expenses, \$36,688.34; net balance, \$23,267.91; contingent account, interest and sinking fund, \$10,211.29; net profit, \$13,456.62. *against* \$33,677.05 passenger earnings; \$527.30 miscellaneous earnings; \$34,204.25 total earnings; \$20,135.55 operating expenses; \$14,068.80 net balance. Sept., 1911.

A point of considerable importance to electric railways was decided on Oct. 4, in a suit brought by S. Brundage against the Windsor, Essex & Lake Shore Rapid Ry. to recover \$5,000 as damages for personal

injuries, loss of two horses killed and damages to wagon and harness, which occurred on June 30, 1911, at a highway crossing on that company's line.

The company produced witnesses who testified that the highway crossing signal whistle had been sounded by the motorman on approaching the crossing, and it was contended that the plaintiff was asleep and in no condition to heed warning signals. The jury of 12 farmers gave a verdict in the company's favor, costs to be paid by plaintiff.

This decision is of great importance to all railway companies, as it apparently establishes the fact that if a car or train is operated in accordance with the regulations enacted by the Board of Railway Commissioners, railway companies are not liable to damages resulting from accidents at highway crossings.



Royal Car, British Columbia Electric Ry., Interior.

The Cape Breton Electric Co., operating the electric railways in Sydney, North Sydney, and to Glace Bay, has voluntarily increased its conductors' and motormen's wages, the new rates being, for the first year, 20c.; second year, 21c.; third year, 22c.; fourth year and up, 24c. an hour.

Electric Railway Notes.

The Edmonton Radial Ry., operated by the city of Edmonton, Alta., has ordered one Simplex, self clearing dump car from the Canadian Car and Foundry Co.

The Brandon, Man., city council has instructed the City Engineer to prepare specifications of single truck cars of the pay-as-you-enter type, with the necessary equipment.

The electric railway under construction in Saskatoon, Sask., is being provided with 12 single truck motor cars, built by the St. Louis Car Co., St. Louis, Mo. Each car will be 34 ft. 4 in. over bumpers, and 21 ft. 4 ins. over corner posts.

The Grand Valley Ry., which is in the hands of a receiver, proposes, press reports state, to put on a regular freight service between Brantford and Galt, Ont., and is having a special type of freight and express car built for the service. E. B. Stockdale, Brantford, Ont., is the receiver.

W. N. Warburton, heretofore in Toronto, Hamilton and Buffalo Ry. service at Hamilton, Ont., has been appointed General Manager, London and Lake Erie Ry. and Transportation Co., London, Ont., vice S. W. Mower, resigned. He was at one time with the Chatham, Wallaceburg and Lake Erie Ry.

The St. John Ry., St. John, N.B., has increased the rate of wages to its conductors and motormen by an advance of 2½c. an hour, the new schedule being, for the first six months, 18½c.; second six months, 20½c.; second year, 21½c.; third year and up, 23½c.; Sunday work, 4c. an hour extra.

The Board of Railway Commissioners has approved of standard passenger tariff at the rate of 4c. a mile; and of standard freight mileage tariff for the Western Can-

ada Power Co.'s line. The tariffs are signed by R. F. Hayward, General Manager; W. McNeill, Assistant General Manager; H. Dalton, Passenger and Freight Agent.

During August, two employees were killed and nine were injured in the course of their work in connection with the operation of