

When Police Sergeant Cooper entered his home at Woodlawn on Sunday morning his two boys greeted him warmly and asked, "Where can we find Santa Claus, pop?" Christmas is nearly here, and he has been hunting for the famous old friend of the children all morning. They had crept up the chimney and rummaged in the cellar without discovering his whereabouts. Sergeant Cooper laughed when his wife told him of the boys' hunt.

"Why, boys, it's easy enough to get at Santa Claus," he said. "When I was a boy I used to write him a letter and tell him what I wanted. He always got the letter. Boys never get a chance to see Santa Claus. He's a sly old fellow, and he knows you."

"Then if I write to him he'll be sure to bring what I want," said Charley. "He will," the sergeant replied, in a tone that carried conviction to the youngsters' mind.

"I'll write, too," Norman said, and both got pens and paper and buried their heads in their hands a long time in deep thought over their novel correspondence. Charley finished first, and he displayed this letter to his brother:

DEAR SANTA CLAUS, Please give me a real good sled and a horse and cart and a writing pad and bring me some marbles, crockers and soda and some class X Agate and some of the best you can get me a box of paints I want some books.

Norman was equally explicit and affectionate. He summed up his wants as follows:

DEAR SANTA CLAUS, Please bring me a box of paints and a horse and cart and a writing pad and bring me some marbles, crockers and soda and some class X Agate and some of the best you can get me a box of paints I want some books.

Both youngsters were stuck when they had finished the letters. They didn't know Santa Claus' postoffice address. Norman said that it must be down in the underworld, because the letters were so long.

They sealed them and gave them to the sergeant, who delivered them in due form to Capt. Reilly at the Thirtieth street station. The captain in turn formally returned them over again to Sergeant Cooper.

"Every father is his own Santa Claus," said the sergeant. "The letters were opened in the presence of the captain and all the boys, and they were all satisfied. They are very good boys indeed," Capt. Reilly remarked. "They don't want the earth."

Charley's request for cars that go in the air stumped the assembled counselors of St. Nick for a time. Then Sergeant Cooper discovered that it meant a toy elevated railroad that works by steam. The sergeant went back home in a happy frame of mind. The boys were waiting for him anxiously. Did Santa Claus get the letters? they asked.

"He did," the sergeant answered, playfully, "but he says, Charley, that he doesn't know about getting that elevated railroad. You see, Mr. Gould and Col. Hain have got all the rights to run elevated trains in the city, and Santa Claus doesn't want to interfere with them."

"Oh, pshaw, pop," cried Charley. "Mr. Gould needn't be afraid. I ain't going for any passengers on my road. I'll write and tell Santa Claus so. He can fix it, can't he?"

"Well, I should smile if he couldn't," the sergeant replied. Charley then produced this missive:

DEAR MR. SANTA CLAUS: I write to you about those cars that go in the air that I asked you to send me. Dear Santa Claus, you needn't be afraid of any trouble with Mr. Gould. I'll carry any passengers on my road. I'll write and tell Santa Claus so. He can fix it, can't he?"

"Yes, Santa Claus fixed it with Mr. Gould," Sergeant Cooper said last night in speaking of the incident. "You see Santa Claus has got such a tremendous pull in this community that he can fix anything."

In one of his bundles was a train of cars that "goes in the air" and is drawn by a real little steam locomotive. He intimated that Mr. Jay Gould would undoubtedly be pleased when he read how Santa Claus had averted all possibility of a competition with the city elevated railroads on the part of the Cooper elevated railway of Woodlawn.

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## RAILWAY TIME TABLES

CORRECTED TO NOV. 15, 1891.

### MICHIGAN CENTRAL RAILWAY.

#### LONDON TIME.

Canada Southern Division—Going East.

North Shore Limited (daily) 8:30 a.m. 11:50 a.m.  
Chicago Express (daily) 8:30 a.m. 11:50 a.m.  
Atlantic Express (daily) 8:30 a.m. 11:50 a.m.  
Mail except Sundays 8:30 a.m. 11:50 a.m.  
N. Y. and Boston Express (daily) 8:30 a.m. 11:50 a.m.  
Acorn (except Sunday) 8:30 a.m. 11:50 a.m.

Canada Southern Division—Going West.

North Shore Limited (daily) 8:30 a.m. 11:50 a.m.  
Chicago Express (daily) 8:30 a.m. 11:50 a.m.  
Atlantic Express (daily) 8:30 a.m. 11:50 a.m.  
Mail except Sundays 8:30 a.m. 11:50 a.m.  
N. Y. and Boston Express (daily) 8:30 a.m. 11:50 a.m.  
Acorn (except Sunday) 8:30 a.m. 11:50 a.m.

Trains arrive in London at 8:55 a.m., 12 m and 6:40 p.m.

Express. No trains to or from London on Sundays.

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CORRECTED DEC. 7, 1891.

#### MAIN LINE—Going East

Limited Express (A) 8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.  
Mail (A) 8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.  
Day Express (A) 8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.  
St. Louis Express (A) 8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.  
Mixed (A) 8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.  
Freight Limited (A) 8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.

#### MAIN LINE—Going West

Chicago Express (A) 8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.  
West End Mixed (A) 8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.  
Freight Limited (A) 8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.  
St. Louis Express (A) 8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.  
Mixed (A) 8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.  
Freight Limited (A) 8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.

#### Sarnia Branch.

Limited Express (A) 8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.  
Mail (A) 8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.  
Day Express (A) 8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.  
St. Louis Express (A) 8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.  
Mixed (A) 8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.  
Freight Limited (A) 8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.

#### Sarnia Branch.

Chicago Express (A) 8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.  
Mail (A) 8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.  
Day Express (A) 8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.  
St. Louis Express (A) 8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.  
Mixed (A) 8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.  
Freight Limited (A) 8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.

#### London, Huron and Bruce.

Express (A) 8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.  
Mail (A) 8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.  
Day Express (A) 8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.  
St. Louis Express (A) 8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.  
Mixed (A) 8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.  
Freight Limited (A) 8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.

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Express (A) 8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.  
Mail (A) 8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.  
Day Express (A) 8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.  
St. Louis Express (A) 8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.  
Mixed (A) 8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.  
Freight Limited (A) 8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.

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Express (A) 8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.  
Day Express (A) 8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.  
St. Louis Express (A) 8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.  
Mixed (A) 8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.  
Freight Limited (A) 8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.

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Hamilton-Depart. 8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.  
Hamilton-Arrive 8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.  
Toronto-Depart. 8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.  
Toronto-Arrive 8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.

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Galt 8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.  
Geipel 8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.  
Galt 8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.  
Geipel 8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.  
Galt 8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.  
Geipel 8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.

Trains arrive from the east at 11:25 a.m., 7:30 p.m., 10:00 p.m.

#### Going West.

DEPART—London 8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.  
Galt 8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.  
Geipel 8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.  
Galt 8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.  
Geipel 8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.  
Galt 8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.  
Geipel 8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.

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Courtright 8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.  
M. C. R. Junction 8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.  
Chatham (C. P. R.) 8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.  
Fargo (M. C. R.) 8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.  
Blenheim 8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.

#### Trains North.

Blenheim 8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.  
Fargo (M. C. R.) 8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.  
Chatham (C. P. R.) 8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.  
M. C. R. Junction 8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.  
Courtright 8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.  
Sarnia (G. T. R.) 8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.

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