

WAS IMPROVEMENT TO SERVICE ON O. W. P. LINES

Fifteen New Cars Going Into Service as Rapidly as They Can Be Released From Operating Department—Many New Features Promised Mount Scott Run.

A new closed car will be set up and put into service every 48 hours until all the large equipment just received by the Portland Railway, Light & Power company are in operation. The company has received 15 new closed narrow gauge cars and 15 new open cars, all of which were ordered for September delivery, but which have been delayed by failure of eastern makers to deliver electrical and air brake equipment.

The moving of the company is fully alive to the situation in rapidly growing Portland, and while admitting that the service is wholly inadequate, has been unable to remedy the troubles of streetcar patrons until the new equipment could be put into service.

Six new cars for the Portland Railway company lines and six for the O. W. P. lines are already set up and in operation, and a decided improvement in the service on various lines is already apparent.

The service will continue to improve, and will be until all the new equipment is in action. Some of the old-fashioned, short cars will be put into the shops for repairs and replaced.

ing, and a few will be retired from service permanently.

Explains to Patrons.

The following letter received by a Mount Scott line patron from President Josselyn states the situation in detail:

"Please accept my thanks for your trouble in writing me so much in detail in regard to matters out on the Mount Scott line, as such information, giving details as it does, is very helpful to me in bringing about a radical change in the operation of that line, and if you will constitute yourself a committee of one to make exact data on irregularities that you discover and forward to me, I shall then be able to take these different matters up in detail with our people.

"The underlying difficulty of the whole matter is shortage of equipment over a year ago we ordered sufficient open and closed cars for our use this last summer and the present winter, but the open cars did not arrive until about the middle of November, and they are not all here yet. We had those cars shipped from the factory before the electrical and air brake apparatus was supplied, in the hopes that this would cut down the delay, but the electrical and air brake equipment has been badly delayed, preventing us from getting these new cars into service on arrival.

Working Extra Forces.

"We are working an extra force at our carshops now that we have some of this missing material in the effort to get 15 O. W. P. closed cars into service at the earliest possible moment. They will be equipped with multiple unit control so that two or more cars may be run in train, in order to eliminate delays between sections on single track line as now. Six of the new cars have been turned over to the operating department ready for service, including open cars, and am promised that balance of the 15 will be turned out at the rate of one car every other day.

"The open cars have now practically disappeared, and as soon as we can get enough of the new cars into service to

operate them in multiple unit control to our satisfaction, our patronage on the Mount Scott line will see a marked improvement.

Other Improvements Added.

"We have also now a special train dispatcher on the Mount Scott division each morning and evening during the rush hours, so that he may give his undivided attention to the movement of cars on that division. We have also permanently located an inspector on that line, whose duty it is to assist in the movement of traffic. We have also taken steps to remove any delays to passenger traffic by freight service during the rush hours. We have telegraphed for electric block signals to put up on this Mount Scott line, and will also add sufficient sidings, as soon as the weather will permit, so that the service should be as good as what would be given on a double track line.

"I have written you in detail as above, assuming that you are a fair representative of the people on the Mount Scott division, and understanding railroad operation propositions, will be in a position to not only disseminate information as to what we are doing, but will understand our desire to know from reliable outside sources any irregularities that they may be given special attention.

"In addition to Mount Scott block signals, the company has ordered block signals for the Milwaukee avenue curve on the Belmont line.

"Orders have been given to car repair foremen to immediately have repaired all loose ladders in electric cars, so that they will be kept in first-class shape so that passengers may signal the conductor by this method whenever a stop is needed.

"The installation of new equipment has enabled the company to take off all open and boarded up cars on the O. W. P. lines and on the St. Johns line, and an immense stimulus to business has resulted. The company has been unable to get out of the station cars to pay for running them.

"The new cars will be run as often as it is necessary to take care of the business and prevent overcrowding. A rule will be enforced against people rushing aboard incoming cars on Front street before they arrive at the station and reverse for the return trip. No outboard passenger will be allowed to board a car until it has reached the terminus at Washington street.

"The Saturday evening service from outlying suburbs will be relieved of the overcrowding that has attended the rush in the past. Great numbers of people who usually want to go down town to shop or see the sights and shows Saturday evenings have been making the cars so suffocating, and many persons during to come in have been left at the street corners because the cars platform would not contain another passenger. The company will try to accommodate all the people by running extra cars Saturday evening between 7 and 8 o'clock.

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5-inch Nappies; regular \$2.10; special \$ 1.50

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18. Plate Camera, 4 x 5		\$2.75



A Christmas Thought.

WRITER in a recent magazine proposes a ridiculous and monstrous thing as a method of doing away with panics and other calamities. The man who suggests this extremely funny idea is Charles Bartlett Loomis. He says that if you and you and you and all the readers of all the other magazines and their friends would be as good as they could be for one whole month there would be no more troubles, no labor troubles, no domestic troubles, and a genuine reign of peace and good will. Not exactly in these words, you understand, but this is his idea.

Ridiculous, isn't it? But we all know that we are as good as we can be—it is only the other people who make any trouble. At least, if we are not quite not just completely and exactly as good as we can be, at least we are as good as is consistent with living in this kind of a world.

As good as we can be. How good is that, I wonder? Do any of us stop to think in what way we would have to modify our conduct if we were to act on this suggestion? Not just passably good, not good enough to pass as the children say in school, but really good. Good with a conscience so tender that it respected other people's rights before its own, and preferred others to self in all the details of daily intercourse.

There was once a man whose name became linked with the golden rule. He believed in it. He had it lettered on a sign and hung in his machine shop where his employees could see it. Not only that, but he lived by it. People tried in every way to account for such an eccentricity. Some people said he did it to be queer, he said that he thought it would bring him fame. Some said that he was a little bit demented. They did not for a long time believe that he did it because he thought that the rule if applied would work out to the solution of the problems that troubled mankind.

Labor troubles? They are as old as the captivity of the Jews in Egypt. Domestic troubles? They existed as the forgotten glories of Cleopatra and Antony and Caesar. Race troubles? They are as old as the picture of a prehistoric mammoth working at an unusually talented man-creature on a tusk of ivory when he and his tribe fought other creatures to protect his hunting preserve.

Yet, for more thousands of years than it is easy to count, the golden rule has had in one form or another the principle to have followed which would, some believe, have done away with the difficulties and brought us out into the light of a broader, fuller day than we have as yet imagined. The gentle prophet of Nazareth believed in it, and gave it as a formula for good living. Buddha believed it and told his disciples that it would suffice for an honorable life. Confucius believed it, and thought it would work.

As ye would that men should do unto you, do ye even so unto them. It sounds easy. It sounds even practicable. But do we believe it? Do we live it?

It is easy to see that to follow it would do away with some things that now confront us. Risque plays on the stage would have to be suppressed for awhile. Novels dealing with subjects that we do not wish our sons and daughters to be confronted with would for the time being lapse into desuetude. Children would be taken out of mills and factories and be told to run and shout and play. Girls working at trades and under conditions which barely keep soul (what is left of it) and a too feeble body together would not have to sell themselves in order to get decent garments and enough to eat.

The business of court would cease because there would be no crimes and no wife-beatings and scandals. Boys would not be tempted to ruin in gay saloons and poolrooms. All the little children all over the world would have enough to eat—if we lived the golden rule, or the rule that Charles Bartlett Loomis proposes. Be as good as we could be. All of us. Golden-rule Jones, formerly mayor of Toledo, Ohio, and Tolstoi and the ancient prophets would have with them a goodly company.

Boodlers and grafters and divekeepers and men who prosper on the ruin of their fellows would be in the company, and then all the rest of us.

It is a wonderful thought for the Christmas season, but to be as good as we could be, or in other words, "All things whatsoever ye would that men should do unto you, do ye even so unto them."

Daily Menu.
BREAKFAST.
Quaker Oats.
Baked potatoes, pickles.
Fried farina, coffee.
LUNCH.
Welch rabbit with macaroni.
Apple pie, grapes.
Cereal coffee.
DINNER.
Cream chicken with shredded wheat biscuit.
Cranberry sauce.
Mashed turnips.
Buttered Lima beans (dried).
Chocolate blanc mange. Tea.
To make pigs in blankets, wash and wipe as many large oysters as required, roll a slice of thin bacon around each oyster, and fasten with a wooden toothpick. Cook in a saucepan until the bacon is crisp and serve on a very hot platter.

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