

# Local Railway Items from Area Papers - 1867

*11/02/1867 Ottawa Citizen Ottawa and Prescott Sussex Street*

As the evening train on the Ottawa and Prescott Railway was approaching the Rideau Bridge on Saturday last, the connecting rod of the engine broke. The train was stopped, almost immediately, and another engine was sent for to the depot. The accident did not delay the train over ten minutes. The same connecting rod was broken a few days ago.

*13/02/1867 Ottawa Citizen Ottawa and Prescott*

On last Monday morning, as the train of the Ottawa and Prescott Railroad was proceeding towards Prescott, the connecting rod of the engine broke. Luckily, the train was going slowly at the time, and no further trouble was occasioned by the accident. This was the same connecting-rod which we mentioned as having broken Saturday night.

*27/02/1867 Ottawa Citizen Ottawa and Prescott*

As the morning train, yesterday, of the Ottawa and Prescott Railway was proceeding towards Prescott, and when a short distance outside of the city, a wheel of the 1st class carriage broke down and threw the car off the track. The disabled car was detached from the train and the passengers were removed to the other carriages. The accident detained the train but a few minutes.

*08/04/1867 The Times, Ottawa St. Lawrence and Ottawa Sussex Street*

We understand that the corporation are about to build a shed for the accommodation of emigrants, part of the expense should be contributed by the Government. The length of the building is to be 50 feet, by twelve wide, and divided into four compartments of twelve feet square fitted up with berth accommodations. It is supposed that for the present four compartments will be sufficient, as there are seldom more than that number of families here at one time. Under the new Confederation regime, however, we trust that it may soon be found necessary to erect more commodious buildings for the convenience of emigrants.

*15/04/1867 The Times, Ottawa St. Lawrence and Ottawa Sussex street*

You may visit all the cities and towns from Quebec to London, C.W. and you will not observe such a crowd of vagabonds met at any corner for the express purpose of mobbing and otherwise abusing the passer by, as at the end of the platform of the Ottawa Railway Station. They amuse themselves by calling all manner of filthy names, and throwing missiles at every one passing by, and when a female passes alone, she is sometimes taken by the arm by one or two of them and conducted a distance on her way.

We had thought the nuisance complained of had ceased with the appointment of a railroad policeman last summer.

*28/06/1867 The Times, Ottawa Ottawa and Prescott*

On Monday there will be an excursion to Prescott and Ogdensburgh, arriving in Prescott by morning train in time for the grand military review, and returning at 7 o'clock p.m. The number of tickets is limited. Price \$1.25.

*17/07/1867 The Times, Ottawa Ottawa and Prescott*

A portion of the employees of the Ottawa and Prescott Railroad go this morning on an excursion to the Thousand Islands. They return this evening to their several posts and tomorrow those will go who on the same excursion who could not be spared their duties today. Gowan's band has been engaged to accompany the excursionists both days. The band attracted no little attention as they left the city this morning in their new uniforms. The style adopted by the band is blue caps, trimmed with red, grey sack coats, with red facings, and black trousers, which makes a very pretty and neat uniform.

*19/08/1867 The Times, Ottawa Ottawa City Passenger*

The Street Railway Company commenced operations last week by laying a short piece of rail in the track in the village of New Edinburgh opposite the residence of J.M. Currier Esq.