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RICHMOND ELECTRIC RAILWAY MEETING INVITATIONS, 1903

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HISTORICAL SKETCH

Invitation to Electric Railway Opening in Richmond:

The Indianapolis and Eastern Traction Company, an early electric rail company of central Indiana, operated from May 20, 1901 until it merged with the Greenfield Company into the Indianapolis and Eastern Railroad Company on July 1, 1902. It expanded its operations east, ultimately creating a system that operated 45.6 miles from Indianapolis to Dublin.

The Richmond West Company was founded on May 1, 1901, and it operated from Dublin to Richmond, where it met the Indianapolis and Eastern Railroad Company and the Dayton and Western Traction Company, respectively. The company also operated the lines around and within Richmond.

Both companies were integrated into the Terre Haute, Indianapolis and Eastern Traction Company on March 1st, 1907.

These two Indiana companies were part of the electric interurban railway between Indianapolis and Dayton, Ohio, which especially facilitated the transportation of goods and passengers. The Richmond connection of this railway opened on August 12, 1903.

Sources:

Marlette, Jerry. *Terre Haute, Indianapolis & Eastern Traction Company*. Indianapolis, IN:

Dog Ear, 2011. Pp. 91, 97, 114.

Materials in the collection.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The collection consists of an invitation dated August 12, 1903. It requests the presence of William W. Webb at the ceremonial opening in Richmond, Indiana, of the Electric Railway Connection between Indianapolis and Dayton, Ohio. It is addressed to Webb from the "Committee," which includes the City of Richmond, Richmond Street and Interurban Railway Company, Indianapolis and Eastern Railway Company, and Dayton and Western Traction Company.

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