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Combine Coach & Baggage Car

Dutton Street, Lowell, MA

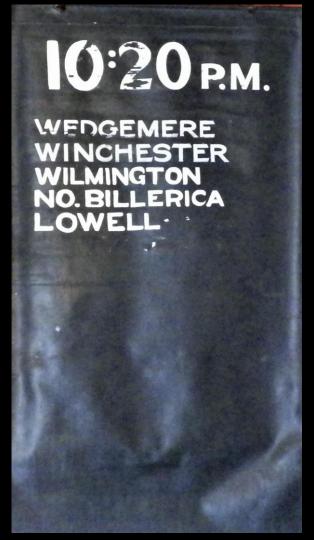
B&MRRHS HO-Scale Layout 2019



Boston & Maine R.R.

Bicentennial GP38-2 #200 hauling a string of freight cars eastbound into Lowell, Mass.





Boston & Maine Railroad / Central Street Station





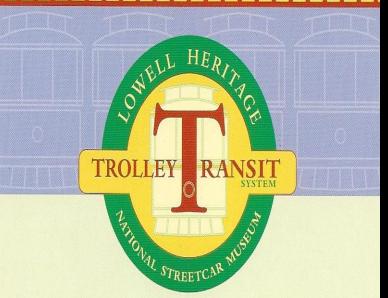
Central Street Station / Trackside 1960's











The National Streetcar Museum at Lowell

PRESENTS

On Track: Transit AND THE American City

An exhibit highlighting the story of transit and urban development as it is reflected on the national level and in the Lowell experience.

The National Streetcar Museum - First Floor





The National Streetcar Museum – Second Floor

















Lowell MFG CO.

The Lowell MFG Co. was built by the Brussels Weave Mill in 1882, is now the oldest surviving building in the complex.

The Lowell MFG Co. made Corse Cotton Cloth and Hand Woven Carpets initially. The first powered looms for producing carpets were introduced in 1839.

In 1899 Lowell MFG Co. was purchased by Bigelow Co. and the building was leased to U.S. Cartridge Co. until 1920.



Boston & Maine Piggyback Service 1958

Piggyback Service found 832 Trailers moving out on rails, is the marriage of the common carrier Truckers with the railroad. Competitive with Trucking invites firms to ship their goods using B and M owned trailers.



The Merrimack Canals

The Canal system was completed in 1814. The Lowell Textile Industry spawned by the transportation infrastructure and water power along the Middlesex Canal.

The Middlesex Canal was 27 mile barge canal connecting to the Merrimack River.

Freight boats required 18 hours from Boston to Lowell and 12 hours down thus averaging 2.5 miles per hour, passenger boats were faster, at 12 and 8 hours, averaging 4 miles per hour.

The canals was one of the main thoroughfares in Eastern New England until the advent of the railroad.



Travel By Trolley

In 1889, Lowellians were first able to ride an electrified Trolley line.
By the turn of the century, they could ride Trolleys to the Ocean resorts such as Hampton Beach, New Hampshire.

By 1935, Bus Lines replaced the old Trolley lines on the streets of Lowell.



Travel By Trolley

But today the Trolleys have returned to carry visitors around the Lowell National Historical Park.

They are an impressive reminder of an era when Trolleys played a central role in the lives of working people in America's cities.













Boston & Maine Railroad

Bicentennial GP38-2 #200 Hauling a string of freight cars eastbound into the Lowell, Mass



Railway Section House

They were used for housing & storing maintenance of equipment for a section of the railroad.

Section houses were used mainly from 1890's to 1960's

Railroad Handcar

Used as a maintenance of way car.



Market Basket
"More For Your Dollar"

Warehouse & Loading Dock



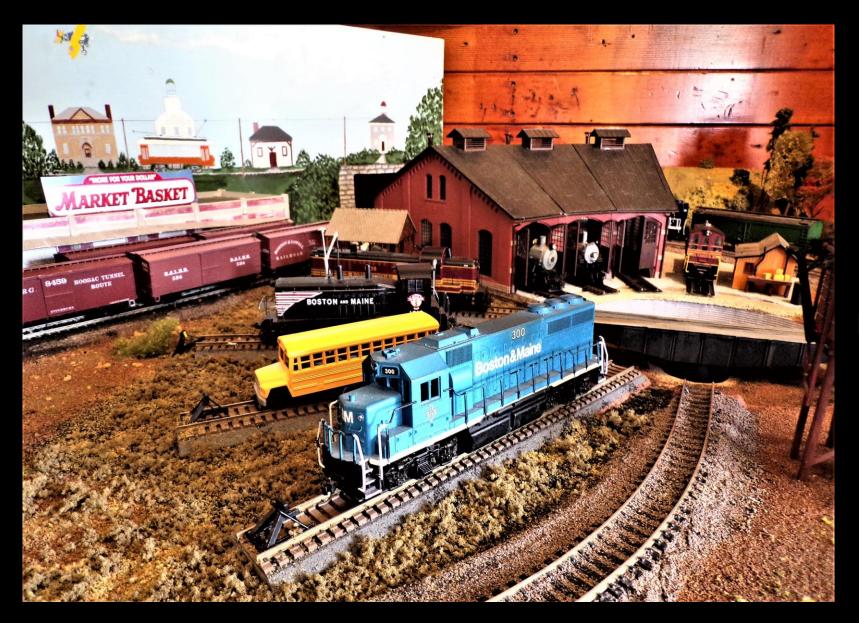


Boston & Maine R.R. GP-18 #1754

On route Hauling a string of freight cars westbound pass the city of Lowell, Mass







Boston & Maine Railroad Engine Terminal

B&M GP40-2 #300 Maintenance of Way Rail Bus B&M NW2 Swichter1210 B&M Alco RS-3 #1538



Boston & Maine Railroad

Alco RS-3 #1538 On the spur track being serviced at the Engine Terminal Lowell, MA



Boston & Maine R.R.

Engine Terminal 1950's 3 Stall roundhouse 60ft Turntable

L / R B&M O-6-0 Switcher B&M 2-6-0 Mogul #1469







Boston & Maine Railroad

Alco S-4 #1270 Waiting to depart with a string of coal cars, in the Lowell yard.





Boston & Maine R.R.

Alco S-4 #1270

Hauling a freight Train, heading west bound.

Boston & Maine R.R.

EMD SW9 #1220

Backing down the spur track into the freight yard & coal pocket.





Boston & Maine R.R.

Alco S-4 #1270
On route with a westbound fright train heading pass the Central Street Station, Lowell, Ma.

Boston & Maine Railroad Historical Society Acknowledgement

- HO-Scale 12' x 4' Model Railroad Layout Build by; Concord Model Railroad Club in 2001.
- The theme of the operating layout is to represent the city of Lowell, Massachusetts with their Middlesex Canal, Trolley Cars and the Boston & Maine Railroad in support of the transportations infrastructure of the Lowell Textile Industry.

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