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811. 1904 Brooklyn Heights Railroad (BHRR)

Over 500 miles of track incorporated in 1887 and reorganized as Brooklyn Rapid Transit (BRT) during 1896.



809. 1895 Buffalo & Niagara Falls Electric Railway (B&NFE)

Issued in the year of the company's incorporation. B&NFE independence lasted only until 1902 when it became a founding property of the International Railway based in Buffalo. Issuer punched the two relevant stations but not the direction of travel. Ticket imprinted by Wm. H. Campbell, 23 Union Square, New York.



810. 1896 West Shore Railroad

Ticket entitling holder to an observation car seat to view the 1896 regatta race. Taking part were Columbia, Cornell, Harvard and Pennsylvania Universities. Cornell won, with Harvard in second place.



812. 1935 New York State Railways

Local trolley systems in Rochester, Rome, Syracuse and Utica, New York. Incorporated in stages between 1909 and 1930. By 1930 much of the system was in receivership and here in a 1935 weekly ticket we find the troubled corporate marked as a debtor. Typically, US »Big City« travel passes gave space for public announcements and various forms of charitable advertising and historical reflection. This version tells us »the horse was king 1860 to 1890« and pictures a ca. 1868 horse-drawn trolley of the then Rochester City & Brighton Railway Company (often wrongly referred to in reference works as a Railroad Co.). This writer observes the horse appears somewhat flimsy for his presumed hefty task.