

HISTORIC SITE

Streetcar Turnaround

Peterborough had streetcars as early as 1893, and the system was operated to its full extent by the Peterborough Radial Railway Co. from about 1902 until 1927. The other streetcar turnarounds were at Byersville, Rye's Pavillion and Auburn dam. Canadian General Electric Co. made streetcars locally and sold them across the continent after local testing. The Jackson Park line came along McDonnel Street from Park Street and then up Monaghan. The turnaround for the Jackson Park terminus was built here in 1906; the berm marking its limit is still visible. Popular attractions in the park included skating rinks, a toboggan slide, a number of walking trails, picnic grounds, a pond and the Pagoda bridge. The expected traffic never materialized.

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