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MONTGOMERY Co. (Ala.)

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STREET SCENES

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Phase of the Race Question in the South. Street Railway system of Montgomery, Ala. tied up (Nov. 23, 1906) because the Montgomery Traction Co. refused to obey an ordinance calling for separate cars for the handling of the two races. Traffic was held up almost half a day and was only resumed when a judge of the State Courts granted an injunction restraining the enforcement of the law, on the showing of the company that it was impossible to provide the separate cars. Citizens grew indignant at the action of the Council and roundly scored the members for allowing a suspension of traffic in the middle of the day. Mayor Teague and Chief of Police Taylor personally saw to the arrest of the officers of the Traction Co., and two score of motermen and conductors. Mayor Teague was opposed to the ordinance and vetoed it, but it was passed over his disapproval. The law did not contemplate that partitions could be used to separate the races, but provided for separate cars for each race. (last three lines in pencil)

Editor:- Pictures go together, showing cars and the crowds.

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Above pasted on back of picture showing street cars grouped in bunch on Dexter Avenue.