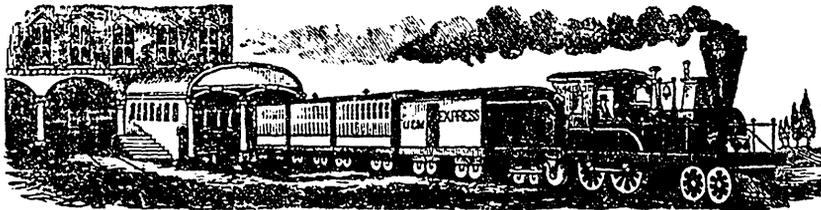


OUR "SPECIAL."



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**"THIS IS THE PROMISE
that He
hath promised us,
EVEN ETERNAL LIFE."**

1 John ii. 25.

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PRIOR to this, the "Special" has only made one trip, and, when the Board of managers last met, the Superintendent suggested that she could be most profitably "despatched" at the beginning of each month, with Reports as to what had been done during the interval, and all needed information up to the time, she should start out for another "round trip." The board through the "managing director" therefore ordered that she should henceforth run monthly. Not having incurred damage on the occasion of the "Reunion," there was no need for overhauling, accordingly the outward appearance remains unchanged, though the matter conveyed is entirely new. The "Special" differs from ordinary trains in this respect, every one to whom she comes may take all she carries and still leave as much for the "next person."

Most earnestly we invite inspection of all she carries, having determined never to permit anything in her coaches or cars contrary to the printed rules of the Corporation. You need not have the slightest suspicion in examining the entire cargo, and at the same time appropriating all you have the capacity for.

The directors feel deeply indebted to the friends who have so liberally supported by their means the cause which the "Special" represents, but having determined to visit them monthly, it is hoped that it may be able to carry such matters of information as shall assure the patrons that it is "a blessed thing to give."

Their sole aim being the welfare of those who are deprived of so much good while carrying it to others, any kindness shown will be most cheerfully and promptly acknowledged. The "Special" does not start without seeking the blessing of God, in whom so many Railway men confide, and the Lord Jesus whose help and companionship is regularly sought by many an engineer before he opens the throttle valve of his locomotive, and by many a conductor who commits his precious cargo of lives to his Father and God and Saviour Jesus Christ, and by many an officer who prays for the security of life and property committed to them for the day, and of all such we ask an interest