

about the telegraph poles alongside of us, and could not give them any information. They looked cheerful at this, and at us, and at the pleasing prospect of the long trudge before them.

It seems to me that, although the Company could not help the storm, and the trains getting blocked, they might, by a little better management, have saved their servants much labour, and the passengers no little discomfort. They should, I think, have been better prepared for so likely an event, in such a region, as a snow-storm.

On Friday we came across a snow-plough, with a couple of engines, in the snow, and off the track. A strong force of men were endeavouring to get them back on to the rails.

The same evening we met the Atlantic Express, which had been the cause of so much uneasiness to the officials we had left behind us. Those in charge did not seem to be in an express hurry, and kindly stopped to have a talk about the weather, and supplied us, moreover, with a small stock of provisions. Notwithstanding our news, as there was a working party on board, they determined to