

# McNabb's Self Car-Coupler.

NO LINKS AND PINS!

Couples when Shunting, or *not*, as desired!!

No occasion to go between Cars for any purpose!!

Can be put in place of Old Bunters.

## ***GREAT SAVING IN WORKING EXPENSES.***

RAILROAD men and Car-Builders have long been waiting for some radical improvement to be made in the Coupling and Drawing Attachments of Cars.

So far as *coupling* is concerned, it is now almost universally conceded that no contrivance could possibly excel, or advantageously take the place of, the HORIZONTAL Hook or LATCH COUPLER in Passenger Cars, now known as the "Miller" Coupler; and a device is wanted for Freight Cars, *similar in principle* to this Coupler, but more simple and less costly in its construction and application. Any plan that fully meets the following requirements must *necessarily supersede* the many imperfect devices now in use, and confer an immense benefit upon Railroad Companies and their employees, viz.:

Self-Acting; that will couple or not, as may be required when Cars come in contact; that will uncouple easily and with safety to the operator; that will neither be uncoupled nor hindered from coupling by any sharp curve or sinuosity of the track; that will dispense with links and pins, though meanwhile it can be used in connection with the present style of "Link and Pin" Bunters; that can be readily substituted for other bunters without necessitating change in bunter timbers and fittings; small liability to get out of order; involving moderate cost, while it would yearly secure a very great money saving in links and pins, and casualties to train-men.

Such a Coupler was recently brought to the notice of the Car-Builders' Association, in New-York, and described in the January number of the *National Car-Builder*; but since that time it has been *improved in some of its working parts*, and submitted to a PRACTICAL TEST IN CARS before many leading railroad men, who have highly approved and commended it.