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## What Was Up!

During the recent journey of the Queen from Balmoral to Windsor, the ordinary passenger traffic was very much disorganized, and express trains were suddenly "drawn up," to the no small annoyance of commercial men and others, who could truly say that with them "time was money." An express train between Perth and Aberdeen was a great sufferer in this respect, and a certain commercial traveller was quite boisterous in his denunciation of the frequent stops. At last, when he had tired his fellow-passengers with his grumbling, he flopped down the window and shouted: "Guard! I say, guard!"

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