

Commercial.

GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY.

TRAFFIC FOR WEEK ENDING 28TH AUG., 1863.

Table with 2 columns: Item (Passengers, Freight and Live Stock, Mails and Sundries, Corresponding Week of last year) and Amount (\$21,107 99, 17,233 14, 1,218 01, \$42,564 15, 43,220 98).

Decrease. \$656 83. JAMES CHARLTON.

AUDIT OFFICE, Hamilton, 29th Aug. 1863.

ENIGMA.

I am composed of 34 letters. My 1, 2, 11, 12, 4, 13, 24, 25, 14, is the name of a city in N. Y.

- 6, 4, 15, is the name of an exotic plant. 13, 15, 16, 17, 13, Farmers could not do without. 18, 19, 20, 21, 13, Government has expended millions upon. 7, 8, 15, 10, 11, 4, has caused Great Britain a great deal of trouble. 22, 23, 14, 13, 9, 13, have been of great benefit to the North during the war with the South.

D. S.

ARITHMETICAL CALCULATION.

If the machines for coining money at the Mint will strike 30,000 half crowns per hour, in what time could a sufficient quantity be struck to reach round the world, supposing they were placed close to each other in a perpendicular or upright position, reckoning the circumference of the globe 360 degrees of 69 miles, and the thickness of a half-crown one-twelfth of an inch? And how many pounds of silver would be required, the weight of a half-crown being 9dwts, 2-11grs?

CHARADE.

My first is most commonly made from a tree And shows no refinement of art; When for vengeance employed, the culprit you'd see Approach it with sickening heart.

A book by the skill of my next may inspire; Balloons that convey you above, Or carriage by railroad, or telegraph wire, The worth of this second do prove.

My whole of a term of derision is made For a person who lauds ne'er won; If the Thames were on fire through his tocsin and mid 'Twas the first clever thing he had done.

H. M.

A DINNER FOR THE POOR.

William Fox, of Nottingham, was a member of the Society of Friends, and he was one of the true old school of friends. His sympathy for the poor was deeply excited by serving in the office of overseer, and, seeing how poor some were who had to pay the poor-rates, he resolved to economize the parish funds, and thus prevent their miseries as much as possible. It was the custom then in many parishes for the overseers and the committee who attended the weekly payments of the paupers to have a good dinner at the close of their day's labour, and this was paid for out of the poor-rates; but as it was a manifest abuse, he determined to put an end to the practice. He, therefore, hastened away before the close of the weekly payment to the dining-room, and thus addressed the master of the work-house: 'Is the dinner ready? Yes, sir.' 'Then bring it in.' 'Are the gentlemen ready, sir?' 'Never mind the gentlemen; I say bring it in.' And this was done. 'Now call the poor people, now call the poor people. Dost thou not hear what I say, sir?' 'This dinner is for the gentlemen.' 'Oh! who pays for it then, do the gentlemen?' 'The work-house master, staring most amazingly, said, 'Why no, sir, I reckon not; it's paid for out of the poor-rates.' 'Out of the poor-rates; to be sure it is, thou art right. The rates are for the poor men, and not for the gentlemen. Poor-rates, eh! I think we have no gentlemen's rates, so fetch in the poor at once and look quick.'

The work-house master went, and William Fox went too to see that he did as he was ordered, and not to give the alarm to the gentlemen, and in a few seconds was hurried in a whole host of hungry paupers who had not for years set eyes on such a feast as that. They did not wait for a second invitation to place themselves at table, and William Fox bade them help themselves, and at once there was a scene of activity that for the time it lasted justified the name of the

house. It was a workhouse, indeed. William Fox all the time stood cutting and carving and handing good pieces of pudding and meat to such as could not get seats; in a few minutes there was a thorough clearance of the table. Scarcely had William Fox dismissed his delighted company when another company presented themselves, and these were the gentlemen, who stood in amazement. 'Why,' exclaimed they, 'what is this, why is the table in this state, where is the dinner?' 'I found a very good dinner ready, and as I know that none but the poor had a right to dine out of the parish funds, I have served it out to the poor accordingly; but if any of you is in want of a dinner, he may come home with me and I will give him one.' The gentlemen knew well the character they had to deal with, and never attempted to renew the practice of dining at the public charge during William Fox's year of office.—English Paper.

Remittances.

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