

from the average commuter the criticism is a personal thing, based on personal feelings—a one-sided view with the one thought, that the road is nothing but a machine to grind the money from the public, and give as little in return as possible. He can only see the large amount he gives to the company. The fact that he gets value for his money, never enters his mind. The average commuter, in his continual morning and evening trip, soon loses sight of all the pleasures that present themselves to the occasional traveller. His trip is often made early in the morning, which is not liable to put him in the best

frame of mind. Then at night, tired and hungry, he is in little better condition. He therefore does all his travelling in an irritable state of mind, so it is no wonder that small things annoy him. The least delay is remembered and spoken of for days. His fellow passengers, who are in much the same frame of mind, and as nothing better presents itself, never tire of discussing the same topic—nothing is right, the management is rotten, the road no good, train service rank, accommodation disgraceful; in fact he seldom has a good word to say of the road. His advertisement is extremely detrimental. On the

other hand, the occasional traveller, as a general thing, enjoys his trip. The scenery to some extent is new and enjoyable, delays are of no importance. His time is entirely taken up with the view, and his fellow-passengers. He generally thoroughly enjoys his trip and speaks of it afterwards—a splendid advertisement. He cheerfully pays his fare, does not try to avoid the conductor; whereas the commuter sometimes thinks it is his duty to be missed by the conductor, or gives up his ticket with an injured expression. When we consider the benefit to the road of each passenger, we find many points in favor of

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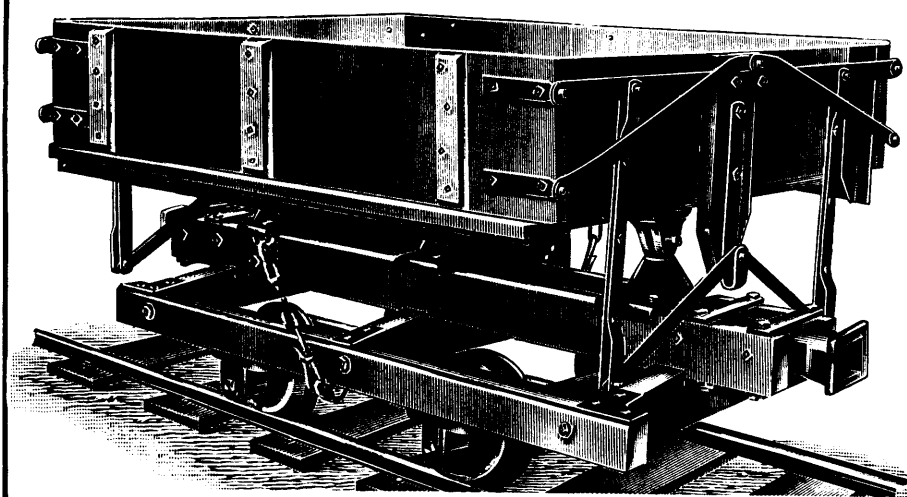
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