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RAILWAY RUMELINGS.

Big Day's Traffic at the St. Clair Tunnel.

The L. E. and D. R. R. Extension—Increased Earnings—Heavy Verdict for an Employee.

G. T. R. traffic returns for the week ending Dec. 21, 1895, \$336,063; in 1894, \$248,472. Increase, 1895, \$87,591.

Rapid progress is being made on the Mill Creek Bridge of the L. E. and D. R. R. The iron for the structure is being received from the Dominion Bridge Co., of Lachine and the structure will soon be completed.

The Montreal Bridge Company have had seventeen men on half pay for two weeks, waiting for the iron work for the Port Stanley Railway Bridge superstructure. It will be a week or more yet before the iron work is delivered.

The Sarnia Tunnel has the biggest day's traffic on Thursday which has been seen for some time, 950 cars being pulled through. Both east and west bound freights are good. The biggest day's work through the tunnel has been 1,200 cars.

The third line of the proposed extension of the L. E. and D. R. R. from Ridgeway to St. Thomas is being surveyed. The line is about 50 rods north of the first survey, and a quarter of a mile south of the M. C. R. This is looked upon as the line to be adopted.

At Ann Arbor, after five hours' deliberation, the jury in the Whalen case granted him a verdict of \$10,150 against the Michigan Central Railroad for his injuries sustained in the Jackson accident two years ago. The question for the jury was: "Was the company negligent in permitting the head special to stand on the main track without notifying Whalen at Grass Lake or Jackson Junction, and was Whalen free from contributory negligence in his own conduct?" The verdict exonerates Whalen.

On Jan. 1 President Henry B. Ledyard, of the M. C. R., will have been in railroad circles 25 years. Ranking the Michigan Central's president in length of service is W. J. Spicer, manager of the Grand Trunk, whose service in the Jackson accident served as superintendent of the Great Western nine years, he went to Montreal as superintendent of the Grand Trunk, and remained there 21 years. Eleven years ago he went to Detroit as general manager of the allied lines. Forty-one years' service in high position for one railroad corporation.

C. P. R. returns of traffic for November, 1895 show gross earnings \$2,129,025; net profits, \$1,120,939; not profits, \$1,008,086. In November, 1894, the net profits were \$815,658, and for the eleven months ending Nov. 30 the figures are as follows: Gross earnings, \$17,016,421; working expenses, \$10,400,935; net profits, \$6,605,486. For the eleven months ending Nov. 30, 1894, there was a net profit of \$5,834,866. The gain in net profits over the same period last year is therefore for November \$192,408, and from Jan. 1 to Nov. 30 \$771,619.

A Reaper That Never Tires.

Consumption carries off one-fifth of the human race, hence called the White Plague. Certain individuals, families and races show a marked tendency to contract consumption when exposed to its exciting causes. The disease is no longer held to be hereditary, but liability hereto may be inherited. Consumption is eminently a contagious disease. The home of the consumptive—the railway car, the public hall, the church and the school, one and all, are often infested with the consumptive germ floating in the air. Consumption, like most other grave diseases, is often curable. Millions have recovered. The first stage is the decisive one. Suitable medicine is important. Good sanitary conditions, good digestion and abundant nourishment are the best. The way of medicine, Pilsbald and Hypophosphites, the new lung remedy, cannot be excelled. It relieves the most urgent symptoms in all cases.

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Collector—This is the last time I shall ask for the amount of this bill. Delinquent—Yes? Collector—Yes, the next time I shall stand out in the street and yell for it. Give Holloway's Corn Cure a trial. It removed ten corns from one pair of feet without any pain. What it has done once it will do again.

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Further Municipal Nominations in the Province—A Number by Acclamation.

Forest—Mayor, Isaac Pickering (acclamation); reeve, R. A. Hill (acclamation).
Georgetown—Mayor, Dr. J. H. Shannon (acclamation); reeve, Robert McLean, Wm. Proudfoot; deputy reeve, Philip Holt, W. H. Murney; councilors, St. David's ward, Robert Thompson, Jas. Caldwell, W. C. Goodie, C. A. Humber; Dudley Holmes, F. J. Fredham, C. A. Nadrin, Jas. Wilson, E. C. Belcher, A. P. McLean; St. George's ward, M. Nicholson, G. W. Black, Hugh Dunlop, James Yates, R. R. Sallows; St. Andrew's ward, Thos. C. Naflet, John Craigie, Thos. Swarts, David Cantelon, Guelph—Mayor, J. A. Lamprey (acclamation).

Ingersoll—Mayor, Wm. Watterworth and W. H. Jones; reeve, N. H. Bartley, M. T. Buchanan; deputy, W. J. Berry, T. H. Noxon and S. King; second deputy, J. C. Hegler, James Waterhouse, J. D. Horsman; councilors, first ward, John Barr, A. McAulay, Thos. Choat, James Cain, Wm. Hayes and H. D. McCarthy; second ward, J. T. Couch, H. H. White, J. B. Thompson, Wm. Towell and R. Butler; third ward, Jas. Vance, S. King, T. H. Noxon, A. E. Gaytor, and D. J. Gibson; trustees, ward 1, J. A. Coulter, and D. White; ward 2, W. Mills (acclamation); ward 3, Major J. C. Hegler, and E. Dundas. Kingsville—Reeve, Hubert Wigle and Culliver Fitch; councilors all elected by acclamation—Chas. Legett, David McKay, Elihu Schratz, Alex. Wigle, Point Edward—J. P. O'Neill, Wm. McLeister, and B. George; reeve, D. W. McKenzie, J. McDonald, J. Buchanan, T. Bruce, W. Beasley, T. Parsons, for councilors; trustees, A. Bright, A. Manly, A. Kirkland, and J. Morrison.

Sarnia—Mayor, Dr. J. G. Morrison, W. J. Proctor; reeve, George A. Proctor, D. Barr; first deputy, Frank Thomas (acclamation); second deputy, R. S. Oliver, J. Davis; third deputy, John Rainsberry (acclamation); councilors, first ward, E. P. Watson, Wm. Manchester, Wm. Stewart, J. Ketter, second ward, H. C. Phillips; second deputy, George Bruce, T. C. Watson, John J. Thompson, Hugh Mann, Jas. G. Poults, T. Maxwell; third ward, W. H. Minfe, W. E. Setlington, Dr. W. Logie, Henry Yard, Jos. Hamilton, fourth ward, A. Sheppard, J. Kavanagh, T. McLaren, M. B. Proctor, G. Kerby, A. Crawford.

Seaford—Mayor, W. M. Gray, E. Colom, F. Holmstead; reeve, B. R. Gunn, J. Beattie; deputy reeve, C. Watson; councilors, north ward, O. C. Wilson, J. C. Smith, A. Wilson, R. Winters, J. A. Wilson, R. Willis; east ward, John Turner, J. Darwin, J. Stephens, J. G. Wilson, N. Cluff, A. J. Bright; south ward, J. Gillespie, Wm. Slater, J. S. Robertson, T. F. Coleman, Robert Scott.

Southampton—Reeve, C. M. Bowman, A. E. Belcher; councilors, J. Shannin, R. Handbridge, M. S. McAulay, E. Weatherall, W. McGregor, A. McIntosh, D. McLeod, M. A. McAlister, Stratford—Mayor, Wm. Davidson (acclamation); aldermen, Shakespeare ward, John O'Donoghue, Jas. Hodd, Francis Hall (acclamation); Avon ward, James Stamp, David Scrimgeour, John L. Myers, Wm. Daley, Charles Casson; Hamlet ward, Daniel Dempsey, E. Hogarty, Geo. T. Jones, Jas. Gadsby, Henry Batter; Romeo ward, Geo. Cloz, Jonathan Scarth, Timothy Watts, Geo. F. Ingram, B. F. Youngs, John T. Roberts; Falstaff ward, George Lankworthy, John McMillan, E. Duffon, Wm. Hamilton, Dr. H. E. Edt, Robert V. Hamilton, Arthur H. King; school trustees, Avon ward, W. J. Ferguson (acclamation); Hamlet ward, F. D. Hamilton, Henry Baker; Shakespeare ward, E. K. Barnesdale (acclamation); Romeo ward, Thos. Stewart, R. R. Nedid, Charles Ellis; Falstaff ward, Dr. Edt, Wm. E. Ellands.

St. Catharines—Mayor, J. C. Rykert (acclamation).
Tilbury East—Reeve, Henry Sales (acclamation); deputy, Henry Wilson (acclamation); councilors, Jas. Ross, Henry Powell, John Wands, James Campbell.

Waterloo—Mayor, Snider Simon (acclamation); reeve, George S. Moore, Wm. Snider, J. B. Hughes; councilors, John Fischer, Jacob Hespeler, John Kauffman, C. J. Altman, H. B. Durin, Simon B. Bricker.
West Williams—Reeve, A. McLeod, Wm. Pedlar; councilors, T. D. Thompson, Wm. Hill, R. Johnson, J. James, Mount Forest—Mayor, Wm. Coleclough (acclamation); reeve, J. Hampton, Wm. Gruer; deputy reeve, John N. Cringle, Wm. G. Scott.

Warton—Mayor, D. M. Jermyn, Dr. Wingle; reeve, J. Hunter, J. Symon, J. P. Newman; deputy reeve, S. J. Parke, C. Reekin, G. Gilpin.
New Hamburg—Reeve, Senator Mernor (acclamation); councilors, Pate, Schuler, Pequegnat, Winn, Laehinger; trustees, Ernest, Katzenmeier, Winn, Rou.

Mediarnid and E. McKellar; councilors, ward 1, H. Garbutt (acclamation); ward 2, D. C. McPherson (acclamation); ward 3, J. Milligan and Duncan Turner; ward 4, W. V. Gow (acclamation).
Dutton—Reeve, H. Hollingshead and A. J. Leitch; councilors, J. A. Kerr, T. Hockin, A. Galbraith, W. H. Backus, W. A. Ostrander, George Branchflower, George Gustirson, T. E. Lilly, J. W. H. Williams, Thedford—Reeve, Geo. Watts, Thomas Parkinson; councilors, Thos. Poole, W. E. Moley, Geo. Winn, A. Ash, Geo. Pilky, A. Travers, W. Edmunds; school board, J. Fuller, J. Blake, J. B. Woodhill, W. E. Moley, Thos. Moley, elected by acclamation.

Rosauquet Township—Reeve, Rawlins and Kennedy; councilors, Jas. Weir, Richard Thompson, Wm. Carrothers, H. Traver, J. Jamieson, A. Donald, T. Ross, Richard Mackenzie.

Colechester North—Reeve, Marwood Barrett and Lewis Jones; councilors, T. Caya, John Reid, John Thomas, Daniel Kennedy and Walter Boyle.

Oulika—Mayor, R. H. Jupp, R. J. Sanderson; reeve, C. J. Miller (acclamation).
Clifton—Mayor, Robt. Holmes; reeve, D. B. Kennedy; deputy reeves, S. Cooper, David Cantelon.
Simco—Mayor, T. R. Atkinson; reeve, O. Hendy; deputy reeve, W. Burly (all by acclamation).

THE FUNNY THINGS WE SEE.

Girls taking their first lesson in skating. Women with new furs when the thermometer persists in mounting. An economic buying gloves a size too small for her because they are marked down.

The youth who has told "her" that she should know all his secrets during his old letters a week before his wedding. The general public, which does not care for music or understand the language in which it is sung, applauding madly on opera nights.

The young person who has been told that she has an expressive face, forevermore contorting and distorting it to make it more expressive.

Connorsseurs of drying patronize Overmeyer's livery, Richmond street north, as he has only the latest style.

Phone 422.

SOME NEW TRICK ELEPHANTS.

They Understand English and Weep When Reprimanded.

Some trained elephants are now being exhibited in New York by a Scotch traveler named Lockhart, who has trained them himself, and unlike most trainers, says that affection and confidence are the secrets of controlling this most interesting of beasts. Lockhart is a dapper little man, has large and kindly black eyes and dresses in the plainest manner possible. He does not carry a gold-headed cane, nor does he wear a diamond cross. But as an elephant trainer he is a genius of the first water.

"The secret of my success, I believe," said Mr. Lockhart, "lies in constant attention, kindness, and when necessary, absolute firmness. On arriving at a new town I invariably see my elephants comfortably stowed away and fed before I go to my own hotel. Except for the early breakfast I am always present at their meals. I bring them sweetmeats, buns, knots of sugar, and when they are sick I attend to them carefully. Then they look to me for everything. They know every word I say, and do everything I wish, so far as they can. I treat them just as I would children. Indeed, I am much more careful of them than I am of my own children, because while I have to support my children, the elephants in point of fact support me."

"What is your mode of punishment?" "Well, really, the animals are so fond of me and so tractable, that beyond a stern look and an occasional harsh word, little is needed. Of course, I can always cut off supplies—that is, reduce their food, and this they feel very strongly. A few nights ago Molly was somewhat slow at her tricks on the stage, and as I passed her one time I gave her a fierce scowl, and growled between my teeth. 'This is very bad, I shall not be friends with you,' Molly is the most tender hearted of the three, and was very much cut up. When the curtain fell she followed me to the stable with great tears rolling down her cheeks, and it was not until I had made friends, and told her that she was forgiven, that she became herself again."

"How long does it take to teach them a 'trick,' or a point in the performance, whatever you may term it?"

"Well, that all depends. Of course, Boney is the cleverest, and picks up things quicker than the others, and, in fact, she helps to teach them. Some take two or three days to teach them, and some take a week. I have only to give the sign and they are there. One of the most difficult things was to get Boney to understand that she must keep time, regular time, in playing the organ. But, now she understands it, her time-keeping is that of a born musician. As for the tricycle, it was most difficult to design a machine that would Boney to ride. She took to it without any great difficulty, and has always shown wonderful intelligence in steering."

"What were the accidents?"

"Well, on one occasion, on a somewhat small and sloping stage when we were in France, Boney could not make the turn in time, and ran into the orchestra. The players fortunately foresaw the avalanche and got out of the way, but the machine was ruined. On another occasion, on a small stage at Buda-Pesth, Molly overbalanced herself while standing on her head on a barrel, and toppled over on the big drum, doing damage which cost me \$30 to repair. As a rule, however, they are wonderful. The manner in which their business is carried on in the stage proves how thoroughly they are in touch with me. I have only to give them the word and the thing is done."—Springfield Republican.

Prudence, Justice, Fortitude and Temperance.

"Be thou vigilant, labor in all things, do the work of an evangelist, fulfill thy ministry. Be sober." II. Tim. iv. 8. These cardinal virtues of Christianity are the characteristics of the true faith, and the source of all other virtues. The apostles of St. Paul are full of warning against the evils that surround us, as well as of admonition to practise justice, not only in dealing with our neighbors, but towards God and even toward ourselves, likewise they are teeming with words of encouragement to combat bravely all trials for the love of God, as also to be temperate in all things. By acquiring the virtue of prudence we are enabled to discern the evils of the world, to know God, and to practise the duties of a Christian life. Justice enables us to "render unto Caesar the things which are Caesar's," to act conscientiously towards our neighbors in all things, and to do the things that belong to God, doing His will and in all things seeking His glory. Fortitude strengthens and encourages us in the path of Christian virtue, besides giving us strength to resist temptation, and to bear bravely all trials for the love of God. Temperance is an essential virtue, and by faithfully preserving it we are strengthened in life and blessed with many spiritual graces. "He that is abstinent, saith the wise man, shall increase in life." A practicing Christian will not be satiating with merely fulfilling the law of God, by discharging the duties required of him, but he will likewise endeavor to strengthen his faith by the practice of such virtues as will increase his sanctity and promote God's glory, in fact, it is as much a duty to emulate all true virtue as to profess our faith, inasmuch as "Faith without good works availeth nothing." Besides, it is eminently meritorious, for by so doing we not only draw down great blessings on ourselves in this life, but we thereby store up rich treasures in Heaven, which will greatly increase our inheritance, towards which we are ever looking forward.—Francis S. Mitchell.

A Good Background.

One great difference between men of equal capacity and opportunity is to be found in the background of their lives. One man goes to his work in the morning from a pleasant home, and from the delightful atmosphere of mutual consideration and love. Another's home surroundings and family relationships are not congenial or inspiring. Is it surprising that one man addresses himself to his tasks with a zest and nerve that make work easy, while the other finds that things drag on his hands, and that he is soon worn out? One of the secrets of many a man's success is the background of a happy home life. And many a good man has failed, not because he lacked in ability or energy, but because those who stood in the most intimate relations to him were too stupid or uncongenial to make his home life winsome. Of course, men have triumphed over this obstacle just as they have over other such drawbacks, but just so much subtracted from their efficiency in the work of life.

A 1-4 buys a bottle of KUR-A-KOF for colds; sold by Anderson & Nelles.

THE WORLD'S RIVERS.

The Tigris is 1,150 miles long. The Nile is only 230 miles long. The world-famous Orenites is only 240 miles long.

The Zambezi, in South Africa, is 1,800 miles in length.

Slow rivers flow at the rate of three to seven miles an hour.

Twelve creeks in the United States bear the name of the Rhine.

Every ancient city of note was located on or near the sea or a river.

The Hudson River, from its mouth to the lakes, is 400 miles in length.

For over 1,200 miles the Nile does not receive a single tributary stream.

The Ganges is 1,570 miles long and drains an area of 750,000 square miles.

The Mississippi and its tributaries drain an area of 2,000,000 square miles.

The River Jordan has its origin in one of the largest springs in the world.

The Connecticut, the principal stream of New England, is 450 miles in length.

In islands of too small a size to have rivers creeks are dignified by that name.

The Irish, in Siberia, is 2,200 miles in length, and drains 600,000 miles of territory.

The most extensive protective river works in Europe are at the mouth of the Danube.

The Nile, from its delta to the great lakes of Central Africa, is over 4,000 miles in length.

During a single flood of the Yang-tse-Kiang, in China, 600,000 persons were drowned.

There are twenty creeks in this country which have been dignified with the name of the Tiber.

The Rhine is only 960 miles long, but drains a territory nearly double the area of Texas.

The Thames of England is 220 miles long. The river of the same name in Canada is 100.

The Arkansas River is 2,170 miles long, but at various points in its course is very thin for its length.

The Potomac River is only 500 miles long, and in its lower course is rather an estuary than a stream.

The Mississippi, at the point where it flows out of Lake Itasca, is ten feet wide and eighteen inches deep.

The Columbia River of Canada is 1,400 miles in length; the stream of the same name in Oregon is 600.

The British Islands are better provided with rivers than any other country of the same size on the globe.

The Styx was, according to Homer, the principal river of hell. It encircled the infernal regions seven times.

The Euphrates is termed in the East "The Royal River," from the fact that 673 kings have reigned on its banks.

The Seine is 470 miles in length, and during the lower part of its course frequently attains a width of a mile.

The River Dee in Scotland has had more poems written in its honor than any other stream on the British Isles.

Australia has no rivers of any consequence. The interior of this vast continent is almost destitute of water.

The Appalachicola River, in Florida, is only 100 miles long, but it has a name out of all proportion to its length.

Some of the streams of Idaho are believed to have the power of petrifying organic matter placed in their water.

All the rivers which flow into the Arctic Ocean are frozen solidly to the bottom during about six months in every year.

In a river which changes its channel every point gains ground and every bend tends to become still more crooked.

The Paraná, of Brazil and Argentina, is 2,300 miles in length, and after the Amazon is the largest river in South America.

The Orinoco is only 160 miles in length, but is much larger than might be supposed, owing to the heavy rains of the tropics.

We have in Alaska one of the greatest rivers of the world, the Kwichpak. It is believed to be more than 1,800 miles long.

The Amazon is 3,944 miles in length, rising within seventy miles of the Pacific Ocean and flowing clear across the continent.

WHAT IS EARTH?

(The following epigrammatic and singular lines are a complete answer to the question.)

What is earth, Sexton? A place to dig graves.

What is earth, Rich Man? A place to weep slaves.

What is earth, Gray Beard? A place to grow old.

What is earth, Miser? A place to dig gold.

What is earth, School Boy? A place for my play.

What is earth, Maiden? A place to be gay.

What is earth, Seamstress? A place where I weep.

What is earth, Sluggard? A good place to sleep.

What is earth, Soldier? A place for a battle.

What is earth, Herdsman? A place to raise cattle.

What is earth, Widow? A place of true sorrow.

What is earth, Tradesman? I'll tell you to-morrow.

What is earth, Sick man? 'Tis nothing to me.

What is earth, Sailor? My home is on the sea.

What is earth, Statesman? A place to win fame.

What is earth, Author? I'll write there my name.

What is earth, Monarch? For my realm 'tis given.

What is earth, Christian? The gateway to Heaven.

WHAT HOT WATER WILL DO.

According to a prominent New York physician, it

Will cure dyspepsia if taken before breakfast;

Ward off chills, when one comes in from the cold;

Stop a cold if taken early in the stage;

Relieve a nervous headache;

Give instant relief to tired and inflamed eyes;

Prove efficacious for sprains and bruises;

Frequently stop the flow of blood from a wound;

Is a sovereign remedy for sleeplessness;

Cause wrinkles to flee and backaches to vanish.

Grand temples are built of small stones, and great lives are made up of trifling events.

"THOUGHTFUL JIM."

His Part in a Gold Mine Boom of an Earlier Day.

For a week or more "Thoughtful Jim" of Strawberry Hill, had been unusually thoughtful. He was a quiet, thoughtful man when he came to us. Even when working the hardest he had a far-away look in his eyes and his mind seemed to be somewhere else. A dozen or more of us had a talk about him one night, and after an hour's discussion Elder Watkins arose and said—

"While I'd rather have a feller around who breaks out and cusses and cracks his heels together occasionally, I ain't agin a thoughtful man. If Jim wants to sot and think instead of talkin' let him think and be hanged to him."

That was the general feeling for some months, but when it came to pass that "Thoughtful Jim" spent nine-tenths of his time sitting around on the rocks with his chin on his hands, while his partner was doing all the work, that partner felt he had a right to complain. He did complain, and as a result a committee waited on the thoughtful and the chairman said: "Jim Bailey, this ain't no country fur a thoughtful man."

"No," queries Jim, looking off down the valley in a dreamy way.

"When a feller has so many thinks to think of that he has to sit down and let his partner do all the work it looks bad."

"Yes," says Jim, never raising his eyes to look around him.

"The boys is apt to suspect that he killed his mother, burned an orphan asylum or tore down a meetin' house back in the States. Maybe he's stole horses or robbed banks, or went around murderin' innocent babies, and his mind can't rest."

"Maybe so," whispers Jim, though he didn't appear to realize he was speaking.

"And them same boys," continued the chairman, "is also apt to remark that the aforesaid thoughtful critter, who has did all these crimes, had better stop his thinks and go to work to pack his duds and dig out! There ar' thors and thors. We don't know 'at your thors ar', but I've tried to mal' it plain that we don't like the situation."

If Jim heard the words he did not reply to them. He sat there for an hour or more, never turning his gaze away from the valley leading down to San Francisco.

At length he rose up, walked over to his shanty and packed his stuff, and presently he started off without a word to any of us, and without stopping to ask for his share of the dust under the stones of the fire place. He went off down the valley, head and eyes down and looking neither to the right nor the left, and after watching him for a while Elder Watkins shook his head for a solemn way and solemnly observed: "Boys, I'm glad on it! When a critter jumps up and down and yells and hollers and cusses, it's plain English and ye kin understand it, but when he sots down and looks away off and thinks and thinks and keeps his thors to himself how on airth ar' ye goin' to size him up?"

We were in touch with "Frisco." We knew all about mining stock and had more or less dealings in them. One day, amonth after "Thoughtful Jim" left us, shares in the "Golconda" appeared in the market.

It was reported to be a mountain of gold. "Frisco" went wild over it. Shares of the face value of \$25 jumped to \$70, \$80, \$90 and \$100 inside of a week. Men fought to buy them at any price, and out at Strawberry Hill we raked and scraped and gathered up our last dollar to buy at \$130.

We would have sold at \$135, but we wanted more. One day we were offered \$150 a share by a chap who said he wanted to get a controlling interest, but Elder Watkins solemnly shook his head and replied: "Stranger, it would be flyin