

**A FROLIC OF ELECTRICITY.**

A Volt was going along the wire one day,  
And met a little Ohm,  
"You will meet with more resistance, sir,  
You had better stay at home."

But the Volt went on with lightning speed,  
Not showing any feat,  
Until it overtook upon the wire  
A lively, hot Ampere.

"There's going to be some trouble, sir,  
A ground is on the line.  
And circuit-breakers are ahead,  
You had better drop behind."

A flash of fire flew from the Volt,  
That made the air look blue;  
This made the ampere hotter still,  
As through the wire it flew.

It jumped across a little gap,  
And to the pole on top,  
Then to the earth it glided down;  
But there it did not stop.

Back to the power-house it went,  
This alternating scamp,  
And gave the switch-board man a shock  
That made his muscles cramp.

The brushes snapped and flashed and cracked,  
The Ampere meter cursed,  
The rheostat began to smoke,  
The pilot lamp then burst.

The penstock inlet gate was closed,  
And all the turbines stopped.  
The dynamos then ceased to turn,  
The circuit switches dropped.

The ground was taken from the line,  
The "juice" turned on the bars.  
The rampant Volt that caused the hitch,  
Once more is running cars.

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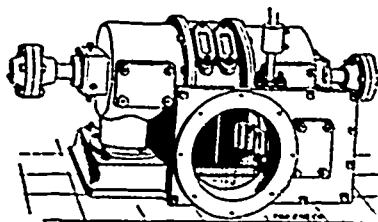


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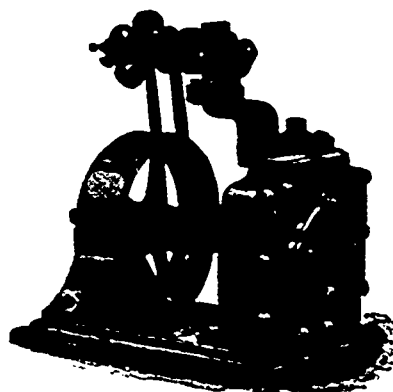
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