

THE DAILY QUESTIONS FOR CONSTABLE TOTAL 4,000

Daily Catechism of Gate Tenders at C. P. R. Depot Offers Severe Test

Travelling Public Take Guardians of Walking Encyclopaedias of Information

Military Training Great Aid to Men Who Care for Steady Stream of Humanity

What would you like to stand in one spot eight solid hours and answer a total of 4,000 questions which bores your temper, unravel the tangled skein of misfortune of possibly 100 foreign-conquered travellers including a fair share of Chinamen?

That is what Provincial Constable W. Burdick did at the C.P.R. depot during one day of Stampede week, and P. C. James Morley was here, the late shift, better, both coming through it unscathed and unharmed in temper.

The position of constable at the depot gates is one that puts any officer to the test. Nearly all of the six men who cover this angle of the police service are old service men, disciplined and soldierly. Some have seen service in India and other points where good training is the keynote to success. It is this training that fits them for the versatile positions they now fill.

Multiple Duties. Not only must the constable be alert to maintaining order at the depot, but they are each and everyone of them a walking encyclopaedia of information on the C.P.R. and its various departments.

When the related travellers begin to gather at the depot to await the departure of trains, these men fit snugly into the great machinery of a big railroad, such as a cog driving the whole.

There is a bulletin board in the waiting room on which is posted the various times of arrival and departure of trains. Possibly in one of 100 travellers takes the trouble to consult this. Why it is, no one has been able to elucidate, but the average traveler has a deep suspicion of things written upon a bulletin board, and there is more comfort in having the information direct from the man in button who stands at the gate and scans the tickets as the steady stream of humanity files through on travel bent. At any rate the blue uniform is the magnet toward which all gravitate.

What is my Train? Some motherly old lady, dragging a brood of youngsters behind her, starts through the gate. "Waked by madam?" asks the man in blue.

"Northbound." "Track No. so and so," says the guardian of safety.

"But this is my train," she protests the good lady, starting for the westbound train. Then she blue draws upon his store of patience. He finally gets her to see that the train which she desires is the one that is to go, and after he gets her directed right he turns to answer the man at his elbow.

"When does No. — depart?" he asks. "Fifteen minutes late," says the constable, "depart at 14 o'clock."

"Wait, what time is that?" persists the inquirer. "The average man would say: 'Take a look at the bulletin board and figure it out for yourself,' but the constable is patient and answers the question.

More trouble. Some trains are more than minutes late, and the depot is filled with travellers anxious to get on the move. There is nothing to do but wait, and the constable is so affable, and such a fund of information that the temptation is too great to be resisted, so they wander over in ones and twos. The variety of questions would stamp a Socrates, yet in some manner the guardian of the law and safety of the travelling public manages to find time to give the information it is available.

Sometimes an excited Chinaman rushes up to the gatetender, and with an assault upon the English language that should land him in an asylum, he asks the constable his trouble. He wishes to see some one, he wishes to see the constable in a sign language invented by the constabulary, and by a cheap watch, the constable is told he is an hour too early or an hour too late for his train, or that Sun Yat Sen, his partner, left on the westbound train at the proper time and the constable must await the next which will leave some time about 3 p.m.

Label of Tongues. Or maybe it is an Italian, a Swede, German, Hungarian, or any one of a number of foreign tongues the constable has to deal with. Again the inquirer is sent away satisfied.

It is the feminine traveler that tests the patience of the constable. It is the natural incentive of the ladies to talk, and when there is a big line waiting constable standing there resplendent in brass buttons and dignified carriage, he is lucky if he can get one but a woman knows the hundreds of "little handicaps" that may be brought into the station and she asks for a few minutes of his time. She will depart at a certain hour, but she has something else: "What time will it be?" "What time will it be?" "What time will it be?" "What time will it be?"

It's a Fire Alarm. Recently Constable Burdick was approached by a crowd of men who asked: "Over there in that mail box," said the constable, pointing. "Indeed, no," said she. "That is a fire alarm box, because it is painted red."

Sometimes some of the brood is lost, and the inquisitiveness leading them out of the depot. Although they are not branded, the constable can round up a bunch of strays anywhere along Ninth avenue and herd them again into the waiting room.

The number of questions range all the way from railway information to crop prognostications and possible political changes, but the man has not been found who has been able to rattle the quiet serenity of the six men who personally stand guard at the gates.

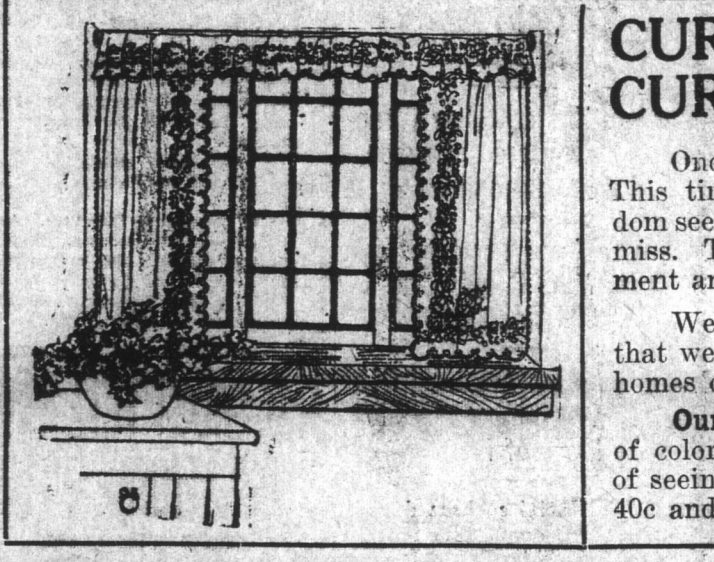
During Stampede week, Constables Burdick and Morley kept on questions asked during eight hours. Constable Burdick totaled 4,001 and Constable Morley 409.

These questions embraced a range of subjects all the way from the time of the wheat crop to why Andrew Carnegie espoused the cause of prohibition and barbed the "pale" from the vicinity of Sicily castle.

Sometimes the constables are made the confident of the traveler. The thin-blooded man saves a paring stick for the weather until he reaches the modern job at the gate and delivers a broadside. Again some enthusiastic herald-crier drops a line that "the" is on that 4-11-14 train, and the rounder that if she the "em" is returning home, and he will begin wearing sack cloth and ashes on the day following.

Some day the constables are going to get together and compile a list of foolish questions asked during 8 hours, in all likelihood they will be assisted by the vaudeville artists who are looking for something new to shine over the footlights.

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RAILWAYS ARE READY FOR THE FALL RUSH. Commission Reports 20,000 Additional Cars and 400 New Locomotives. Complaints of Need Were Well Founded; Equipment is Much Improved. Toronto, Sept. 15.—That the Canadian Manufacturers' Association and others were warranted in complaining of the congested "road" and less than carload traffic on the Canadian railways is the conclusion arrived at by the Dominion Railway Commission. The matter of providing increased facilities has been taken up by the board in such a way that the companies have been forced to take prompt action. The result is that the manufacturers of equipment, etc., have been flooded with orders, and the railways appear to be somewhat relieved. "But the railway companies alone are responsible for the condition complained of, as they could and should have steadily increased their facilities to provide for increasing traffic. Since then the companies have done all in their power to increase their facilities as rapidly as possible. This fall the companies will have 20,000 more cars than they had last year, and 400 more locomotives, with increased terminal facilities and new equipment. Besides the heavy coat for new equipment, the railways will have spent at the close of the season, \$4,000,000 on terminal improvements and enlargements. "In short, the railways have done much to remedy the situation of last winter and spring, but it has taken millions to do it.

WOULD CONVERT SWAMP LAND INTO FERTILE SOIL. Ontario Government Will Experiment on Asylum Farms at Orillia and Brockville. Guelph Prison Farm is to be Made Into a Great Dairying Centre. Toronto, Sept. 14.—Plans for the drainage systems that will convert the fertile soil upwards of one hundred acres of swamp land that has been punning to waste for generations have been prepared for the provincial asylum farms at Brockville, Orillia and Whitby. The three systems will save some fifty miles of tile drainage, and it is expected that a large part of the work will be completed before winter. The installation of such great soil-improving systems marks another step in the ambitious plan of Hon. W. J. Evans in working out for the betterment of the province under the direction of Professor Todd, the provincial farm director, the creation of a great farm around each institution, worked by the inmates and producing, such along different lines, sufficient food products to make the institutions of the province self-supporting. The most recent addition to the list of asylum farms is at Brockville. Three hundred acres lying to the north of the old property have been secured, and preliminary drainage work is now being carried on. A large part of the land added to the asylum is of a swampy character, and its use has been made of it. One section of fifty acres has been kept by the over-throwing of a winding creek every spring, and the farm director is proceeding with a plan to divert the creek through an old C. P. R. cut and bring the land under cultivation. A number of Brockville inmates are now at work in the cut deepening it in places. At another point it has been found that cutting for twenty-five feet through a four-foot knoll will drain six or seven acres of swamp land that has never been cultivated. The whole system for Brockville will have about seventeen miles of tile drainage and will cost about \$5,000. Twenty Miles of Tile Drainage. The system planned for the new farm at Whitby will require nearly twenty miles of tile and will cost about \$5,000. At Orillia the department will this fall start draining a large area of wild land which once in proper condition is expected to yield splendid crops. About twelve miles of tile will be required. The drainage plans have been prepared by Mr. P. Neelands, of the Ontario Agricultural College.

EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS MARRED BY DOWNPOUR OF RAIN. Vienna, Sept. 15.—The brilliancy of the great processions concluding the twenty-third Eucharistic congress today was greatly marred by a continuous downpour of rain and a chilly temperature. From seven o'clock in the morning until 1 o'clock in the afternoon, when the emperor followed the papal legate, Cardinal Van Rossum with the host through the Burgos street, thousands of people were unable to see the thousands of spectators along the route. Parts of the parade showed but little but the tops of umbrellas, beneath which tramped Catholic societies, officers, vendors of Eucharistic robes and others through mud ankle deep, and under such conditions it was impossible to hold the celebration of mass in the open air on the top of Burgos.

WILL HAVE NO ALTERNATIVE. Liberal Cartoon from Vancouver Sun. A cartoon showing a man in a suit and hat, looking distressed, with a speech bubble saying "ANYTHING BUT THAT!" and another saying "WILL HAVE NO ALTERNATIVE." Below the cartoon is the text "Liberal Cartoon from Vancouver Sun."

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