



These two sketches are from photographs of Signor Frisco's amazing act, now being billed over the Keith and Affiliated vaudeville circuits.

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The rippling music continues.

Slowly, the gorgeous curtains of the back-drop part. The audience gasps. The New Edison stands revealed. It has taken up Signor Frisco's performance, and is now RE-CREATING it alone. The effect of this extraordinary magic can rest upon only one fact: No one can distinguish any difference between Signor Frisco's performance and its RE-CREATION by the New Edison. Signor Frisco could not possibly imitate the New

Edison, because the xylophone can not be made to imitate any other instrument, so as to deceive its hearers.

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## Railway Commissions and Other Things.

Editor Evening Telegram

Dear Sir,—With your permission I would like to refer to a matter which is no doubt of considerable public interest at the present time. Last year this Dominion was visited by an epidemic of Spanish Flu and no doubt this year of grace will go down in Newfoundland History as the year of the Commission Epidemic, the latest of which is the Railroad Commission. About a month or so ago this so styled commission took a jaunt over our Railway System, presumably to enquire into its condition and has brought back for the public to swallow, the news that the Railroad is in fair condition all over the system, and that the special train which took them along actually travelled at the rate of thirty miles per hour over some sections, but the sections affording this rate of speed—and how far the joy ride lasted—is not told. Perhaps this terrific rate of speed is accountable for one of the freight trains turning bottom up on the Port aux Basques end of the line some six weeks ago, from which the engineer and fireman had a miraculous escape, also the 10-12 hour delay occasioned one of our express trains near Millertown Junction some five weeks ago, and even of more recent date did one of our trains have some delay not many hundred miles from Kelligrews. It is wonderful! Can you imagine, Mr. Editor, a local train actually travelling thirty miles per hour. What an awful lot of grease it must have been necessary to carry on that special, to afford such speed. The most illuminating news of course is the extensive report on our coal, and at last the Reid's after many years moving up and down our earth have (so we are told by the Commission) located an abundant supply of coal at South Branch; no shortage this winter Mr. Editor, no going to the Minister of Shipping with your hat in your hand for a little more than the usual allowance.

And the Commission also tells us that they actually saw four feet of coal in the Jukes Seam, and two feet in the Cleary, but more important still the Cleary areas are partly on the Reid Co. lands, in spite of the fact that these coal areas were under private ownership for twenty years before this Country had heard of the Reids. There though, Mr. Editor, we are living in such an age of enlightenment that some day we must not be surprised if we wake up and find that there was some error in planning the universe, and that when lines are run again we will really be a part of Canada.

Since the Commission condescended to tell us so much as a result of the joy ride, perhaps it will also be good enough to give us the following information:

- (1) The section of road travelled over at such a fast clip.
- (2) Full list of people who travelled on the special train at any time during the trip.

When the above information is given public, it would be interesting to know if Mr. Coaker and the Government Engineer are the only two representing the Colony in this Commission, and if so what about appointing Mr. Hawes as a third party, as he doesn't seem to be doing much with fish at the present time, and could probably combine both.

This suggestion is not made through doubt of Mr. Coaker's ability or because he is the only Newfoundlander on that commission, for I am sure no one could doubt the ability of the Poor Man's Friend and worthy exponent of fishermen's rights.

"O wad some Pow'r the giftie gie us To see oursel's as others see us; It wad frae many a blunder free us, And foolish notion."

During the next few days the public will probably be afflicted through the columns of the press with Mr. Coaker's Diary of the recent Joy Ride. Of course it is only natural to expect it. He did, you know, write of a trip to Ottawa not many years ago, in which we have been told through the columns of the press that some of the Reids were also interested.

One other individual at one time made a fast trip writing a diary of it in verse, Casey Jones to wit. But:—

"Casey said before he'd die, There were two more lines he would like to try. There were two more lines he would like to see. The Newfoundland Railway and the Santa Fee."

Casey Jones was also an authority on Railroads, and a regular speed merchant, but he died poor man; however, it will be a great disappointment if we do not find a Casey Jones in the list of guests on that thirty mile per hour special train.

In my next I will discuss sleepers and spikes, not the sleepers in the cars, oh no, excuse me, but the sleepers under the Railway Irons, and I might, if space permits, refer to Banks and Banking as referred to in the Columns of the Advocate of August 24th. Thanking you for space Mr. Editor,

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### Merinos, Llamas and Alpacas.

There are plenty of wool-bearing animals in Bolivia, merino sheep in flocks ranging from a few sheep herded by an Indian shepherd to as many as 8,000 under a single ownership; llamas, probably about 500,000 of these little cousins of the camel, and at least 200,000 alpacas, much like their near relatives, the llamas, but shorter in the legs and endowed with a softer, silkier wool. Yet it is only recently that Bolivia has begun developing a wool industry that reaches out beyond the local consumption of wool for the manufacture of woollen garments worn by the natives and exports the product to foreign markets.

Indian women, weaving in primitive fashion, shawls, ponchos, and other articles of wear, use yearly about 1,000,000 pounds of wool; and Indian men still shear the sheep with pieces of glass or sharpened tin, and so far refuse to be converted to the use of anything so modern as a pair of shears. A few years ago, says a recent examiner of the Bolivian sheep and wool situation, a hundred shears were imported, but, try as he might, the importer, could not persuade the shepherds to buy them. Methods, in

short, are practically as old as the line of sheep, for the flocks that pasture throughout the highland region are descendants of the sheep brought into the country by the Spanish conquerors.

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President was described as "Sovereign Chief and Grand Master of the Legion of Honor," and so the President of the French Republic is qualified to do.

These words gave rise to a discussion in Parliament, a subcommittee holding its first meeting in 1909 at the Ministry of Justice. It was proposed to suppress the word "sovereign" as contrary to the spirit of the republic and the speaker that raised the question called the word "dangereux." It was argued against this contention that the adjective might be "a little archaic," but did no harm to any one and besides should be retained with a view to foreign opinion. Finally, by an 11-to-3 vote, the subcommittee proposed to eliminate "sovereign," but this recommendation has never been given force and the grand master of the order is still its sovereign chief.

The grand master's collar which M. Deschanel wore as President, was made in 1851, by the Jeweler Lomonte. It is of handsome design of chased gold. The medallions enclosed in the

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