An Englishman was bragging of the engine bell was rung as the train near ed a station. It suggested to the Yankee an opportunity of "taking down his companion a peg or two." "What's that noise ?" innocently inquired the wiley Yankee. "We are approaching have to commence ringing about ten miles before they get to a station, or else the train would run by it before the bell could be heard ! Wonderful isn't £ / I suppose they haven't invented bells in America yet ! "Why, yes," replied the Yankee, "we've got bells, But can't use them on our railroads. We run so 'tarnal fast that the train always keeps ahead of the sound. No use whatever-the sound never reaches the village till after the train gets by." "Indeed !" exclaimed the Englishman. "Fact" said the Yankee; "had to give up bells."







