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BUILDING A RAILROAD WITH ELECTRICITY

One of the greatest undertakings in the history of railroading is the Pacific extension of the St. Paul Road. More than \$100,000,000 will be expended on this new line which will reach from Chicago to St. Paul and across Montana to Seattle.

Over the 500 miles of mountain stretches electricity is to be used as the motive power. 200 ton electric locomotives will haul the trains. Down the sides of the Bitter Root mountains are pouring a sufficient number of streams to furnish abundant power for all the electric motors which the road will need to handle its trains over the mountain division. These streams are to be harnessed at a cost of millions. The boldness of conception and the unobtrusive way in which the work is being executed challenges admiration. Through the fastnesses of the Bitter Root mountains a tunnel 8750 feet long is being constructed by electricity and through it will be operated trains hauled by motors. One end of this tunnel will open in the state of Montana and the other will land the traveler in Idaho, and its grade will not exceed 1 per cent.

In general the work on the west end of the road between Butte and Seattle is nearly finished on some of the divisions, but the long tunnels and the heavy fills will take some time to complete. Rails are now laid in five different sections, but the track is not continuous for more than 120 miles. On the Seattle-Tacoma line the track has been finished from Black River Junction to Sumner, Wash. East of Seattle the road is completed for a distance of 75 miles, and work over the Snoqualmie pass of the Cascades is being rapidly pushed. On one division there are at least 60 fills to be made of an average depth of 70 feet, and the road between Black River and the tunnel will cost probably \$75,000 a mile.

Through the St. Paul pass, in the Bitter Root mountains, work is further along; the grading is completed and the bridges are built. In Seattle the terminal work is scarcely begun. In view of the fact, however, that the greater part of the extension has been done during a time of financial depression, the work in general is a marvel in the annals of railway construction. — Electric News.

THE LAW AND FASHIONS.

Because a trolley car, starting suddenly, threw her to the pavement with considerable force, a Newark, N. J., woman sued for \$10,000 damages, but because it was shown that she was wearing high-heeled shoes at the time the court promptly rendered a verdict in favor of the defendant street railway company.

For this one particular woman the decision of the court may prove a lasting lesson, but it is too much to hope that others of the fair sex will profit by it. When a court decision runs counter to the decrees of fashion, lovely woman is likely to have only contempt for the court and a feeling that another great wrong has been done her sex.

Efforts to teach women the folly of getting off a street car the wrong way have long been in vain, just as have been the attempts to point out the foolishness of wearing thin-soled shoes on wet and slushy pavements, and there is little ground for the hope that this New Jersey judge's blow at high-heeled shoes will tend to make the things unpopular.

WITH THE TOAST AND TEA

GOOD EVENING.

I scoffed at the "silver lining;" I sneered at Hope. The care That fell about my every hour Cast shadow everywhere. My little daughter listened And, smiling, made reply, "I thought that shadows never fell Unless the sun were nigh!" —Selected.

THE OPEN ROAD.

There is a good road leading down. An old brown road from a good old town; Shaded and shadowed by restful trees.

That softly talk to the fresh young breeze;

And sometime when my heart is sad, And all the city looks old and gray,

I shall leave the work which drives one mad,

And take that good road leading away,

And follow it on through the ripening day.

Until my soul comes back to me—

My soul which is fettered here and bound

As to iron wheels by the city's sound—

All straight and smooth and free. —Selected.

It is easy to invent a scheme, but difficult to make it work.

Abuse a man unjustly and you will make friends for him.

The modern woman does not seem to be as churchy as her old-fashioned sister.

Every man must be something of a diplomat in order to keep his friends.

As soon as a man outgrows a foolish notion and drops it a younger man adopts it, and picks it up.

It is all right for a man to use any term complimentary to a woman except to say she is affectionate.

With Grover Cleveland's portrait on the new \$10 gold certificates, a good many democrats may insist on having their pay in smaller bills.

Several enterprising New Yorkers are now raising chickens on the roofs of skyscrapers. The present price of eggs may help them to acquire a few more skyscrapers.

A Long Island man stands accused of eating a saloonkeeper's license. Considering the high cost of a liquor license these days, that looks like the most expensive luncheon on record.

That Chicago man who wants to pay more taxes than the assessors ask is building the most solid kind of foundation for an insanity plea that may help him out of a tight fix some day.

"Why are nearly all the monologists in vaudeville men?" asks the Omaha Bee. Why, simply because so few women will consent to talk for only fifteen or twenty minutes once they get started.

In Texas a new law provides that all persons desiring to get married must give ten days' public notice of the fact. Texas fathers are evidently tired of chasing around after eloping sons and daughters.

A Canton, Ohio, judge has decided that a woman has a right to tear up a man's photograph in his presence. No one appears to dispute her right to burn up his money—either in his presence or elsewhere.

A Cheyenne woman, after hiding \$95 in a shoe, forgot all about it and took the shoe to a repair shop for mending. And there have been times, perhaps, when she reproached her husband for forgetting the letters she gave to mail.

The esteemed Washington Herald is authority for the statement that Mr. Roosevelt is wearing two pairs of heavy socks at a time this winter. This insinuation that he has cold feet will probably be attended to by the president in the very near future.

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4. Have a mat to your bedroom door.
5. Do not have your bed against the wall.
6. No cold tub in the morning, but a bath at the temperature of the body.
7. Exercise before breakfast.
8. Eat little meat, and see that it is well cooked.
9. (For adults.) Drink no milk.
10. Eat plenty of fat to feed the cells which destroy disease germs.
11. Avoid intoxicants, which destroy those cells.
12. Daily exercise in the open air.
13. Allow no pets animals in your living rooms. They are apt to carry about disease germs.
14. Live in the country, if you can.
15. Watch the three D's—drinking water, damp and drains.
16. Have a change of occupation.
17. Take frequent and short holidays.
18. Limit your ambitions; and
19. Keep your temper.

DOCTOR'S LIFE SPAN.

Diseases to Which They Are Especially Liable.

Doctors as a class are more subject to illness than their fellow-men, and their expectancy of life is less than that of most. An explanation of this, says the British Medical Journal, is readily found in the anxieties caused by responsibilities which must weigh heavily on every man of right feeling; in the amount and trying nature of the work, the doctor has to do; in irregularity of meals and broken sleep; in exposure to weather and to infection and last, but not least, in the scanty remuneration which his labor too often brings him.

The combined influence of all these causes is sufficient to undermine the strongest constitution long before a man has reached the limit of threescore and ten. A comparison of tables compiled by statisticians in different countries gives doctors an average of fifty-seven years at death.

Doctors as a class are especially liable to certain diseases. Setting aside affections due to exposure and infection, the practice of medicine levies a disproportionate tribute from its professors in the form of diseases of the cardio-vascular and nervous system. Angina pectoris has been called the "doctor's disease;" neurasthenia deserves to be ranked in the same category, and severer forms of neurosis are, as might be expected, common among men whose profession compels them to live at the highest tension both of brain and nerve force.

It is scarcely to be wondered at, therefore, that the narcotic habit is so common among doctors. After all, what shortens the doctor's life is overwork, mental and bodily strain manifesting itself at the point of least resistance.

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