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### Utter Antagonism.

"Why don't those angry statesmen settle their old-time differences with a fight to a finish?" asked one congressman. "No use suggesting it," answered the other. "They couldn't be sufficiently harmonious even to agree on the conditions of a fight."—Washington Star.

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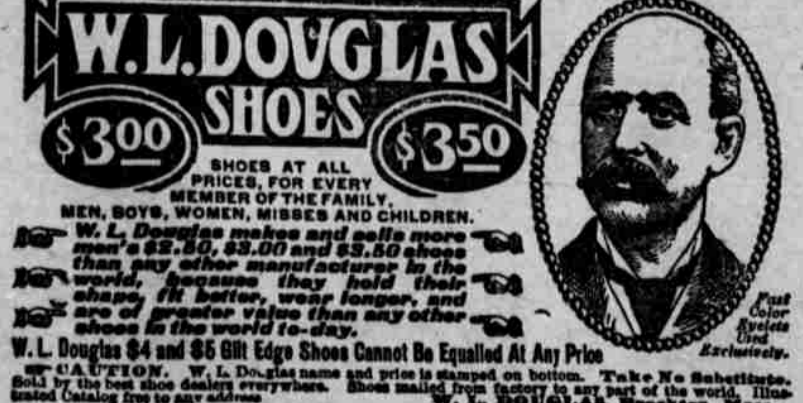
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## RAILROAD OVER OCEAN NOW RUNNING TRAINS

Henry M. Flagler Has Line to Key West Already Partly Completed.

### CONCRETE ARCHES ARE USED.

Novel Engineering Feat Is Described as the Most Remarkable in the World.

The most remarkable railroad in the world, which Henry M. Flagler is building on concrete arches through the shallow waters of the ocean along the garland of palm groves that cover the keys south of Florida, is now in operation for a distance of eighty-one miles to Knight's Key, and regular trains are running over it. Through sleeping cars will be provided from New York and Chicago, and they ultimately will be carried across on a ferry from Key West to Havana, making the distance in six hours. The railway is more than half done, and, as the present terminus at Knight's Key has all the facilities for handling the traffic, Mr. Flagler decided to place the completed portion in operation and have it earning the expense of maintenance, at least, while the remainder of the track is finished to Key West. Practically 80 per cent of all the construction work is done and everything will be ready for through trains to Havana by the opening of the tourist season next winter.

Knight's Key, the present terminus of the Flagler system, is 109 miles south of Miami, forty-seven miles north of Key West and 115 miles north of Havana. The road between Miami and Knight's Key is built twenty-eight miles upon the main land of Florida and eighty-one miles across and between forty-two keys. For nearly one-half of the distance the railway track passes over the water on concrete arches, whose foundations rest upon the bottom of the sea.

At the town of Homestead, twenty-eight miles south of Miami, the track leaves the continent of North America and starts upon its way over the ocean. Seventeen miles south of that point it reaches Key Largo, the largest of the keys, which is fifteen miles long, and from there jumps from key to key by means of massive masonry and embankments of cement and coral rock. In crossing the deeper channels several drawbridges have been provided to permit the passage of vessels. The intervening water between the forty-two keys varies in width from a few hundred feet to two miles or more, and in depth from a few inches to thirty feet. The embankments are rip-rapped with rock to prevent washing, and are defended by piles and every other device that the engineers could invent to protect the roadway from the attacks of the water, which is sometimes stirred up into great violence by the force of the wind. The track is thirty-one feet above high water, so that the passengers in the railway trains may sit in the windows of Pullman cars in serenity and have an opportunity of seeing how the Atlantic Ocean looks in a gale.

### THOSE CONCRETE HOUSES.

Eminent Philanthropist Will Build City of Edison Homes.

Working together, Thomas A. Edison, wizard of East Orange, N. J., and Henry Phipps, a New York millionaire, believe they can solve the tenement house problem.

They plan to do this by erecting an entire city of concrete houses, Mr. Edison having perfected plans recently whereby, he says, he can build within 12 hours and at a cost of from \$1,000 to \$1,200 a beautiful nine-room house, suitable for two families. Each apartment of these double houses can be rented profitably at \$7.50 a month, according to Mr. Edison, thus saving to the working man now paying \$10 a month for a two-room home in the tenements, enough money each month to cover his carfare expenses to and from his work.

Mr. Phipps, who in 1905 gave \$1,000,000 for the erection of model tenements in New York City, recently spent an afternoon in Mr. Edison's laboratory at East Orange, discussing with him the possibilities of the cement or concrete house. The steel manufacturer was accompanied by a corps of architects, builders and concrete experts, who made a careful investigation of the Edison plans. When they left they were enthusiastic over its possibilities. Mr. Edison purposes to build these houses by forcing a concrete mixture into cast iron molds, which are to be set up after the excavation for the basement is completed.

### OLD FARMS OF NEW ENGLAND.

Italians from Factories Gradually Repopulating Them—Prosperous.

"The New York, New Haven and Hartford is at present engaged in a very interesting experiment," writes Broughton Brandenburg in the Technical World Magazine, "which, strictly speaking, is hardly such any longer, as its efforts have been crowned with success from the beginning. The road covers the lower half of New England with an astounding network of lines, and as a result of the opening of the richer lands of the west and south the men who had been toiling on the impoverished New England farms, small and stony, forsook them, took their families and left New England.

"The price of land declined until there came to be many farms that could be bought for a dollar an acre and a last a great number that were entirely abandoned. By reason of the road carrying to and fro Italians who had landed in New York and wished to go to the cotton mills of Lowell or the shoe shops of Lynn, etc., and Italians who had landed in Boston and wished to go to New York, the news of these abandoned farms came to be noised about among the Italians and they began to take them up.

"The men would work in the nearest factory and the women and children cultivate the ground. The Italian is a born irrigator, and now all along the New Haven road can be seen garden-like estates that were once abandoned by their previous owners. The road was quick to see the trend of the Italians and is bent on encouraging it. It is probable that a combined agricultural and industrial population of Italians, Poles and Portuguese, aggregating millions in number, will be gained to the territory traversed by the road."

### SLOT MACHINE SELLS STAMPS.

A committee has been appointed by the Postmaster General to test the various stamp-vending machines recently patented for the purpose of selecting the most perfect for the use of the de-



STAMP VENDING MACHINE.

partment. This step on the part of the postal authorities has been contemplated ever since a number of the patents were issued. It now remains with the committee to examine the twenty or more machines offered and make a selection. The new devices are not only considered as labor and time savers, but with their substitution in the place of clerks it will be possible to place them in the corridors of large office buildings and on every street corner, where they will be in constant service.—Popular Mechanics.

### Dream of Science Realized?

A dream of science, which has been cherished for ages, has recently come so close to realization that the world has had a start, as it were. The artificial production of life, at which experimenters have aimed, almost since men first entered into any extended knowledge of the elements and of chemical action, appears to have been all but accomplished, and, while the man who has conducted the experiments which have shown such remarkable results, makes no loud acclaim over his discovery, he points to the work he has done and we can but wonder at it.

Artificial plants have been produced in test tubes by Prof. Leduc, of Nantes, France, as well as artificial seaweed produced from an artificial cell; also the culture of a single artificial grain. Artificial organs showing mushroom shape are of tremendous interest as well as the liquid cell tissues.

This French scientist, professor in "l'Ecole de Medicine de Nantes," has obtained these curious artificial plants, cells and tissues from cane sugar, copper sulphate and potassium Ferrocyanide, and although they are composed of inert matter, these interesting objects sprout, branch and nourish themselves like actual living organisms.

### Stung.

Wise—I confess I've changed my mind about thirteen at table.  
Hoodew—Ah! found it unlucky, eh?  
Wise—Yes, I got stuck for the check.  
—Philadelphia Press.

Don't get discouraged, girls. According to the women's departments of newspapers and magazines, if a girl starts out with determination and a pickle, it is no time till she is owning and running an immense pickle factory.



Leap year is an Old World institution. American girls are too pretty to need it.—New York American.

Happily there is no requirement yet that army men must be able to ride bareback and standing.—Philadelphia Ledger.

It is not clear why ice men should object to an open winter. They are not the ones who will have to pay for it.—Philadelphia Ledger.

A Chicago physician advises girls to marry round-faced men. It also will do to dodge the flat pocketbook man.—New York American.

Guests of the Duke of Westminster recently burglarized his house as a joke, the English joke being proverbially bad.—Philadelphia Ledger.

If a little thing like Sunday closing so agitates New York, what would that city do with a well-developed prohibition wave?—Washington Star.

After all the criticism that has been made on the new gold coins, we have heard of no one refusing them—especially as gifts.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

The woman who brought over from Europe a wedding trousseau and a mourning outfit may have been contemplating the double life.—Philadelphia Ledger.

Is it to be understood hereafter that when a man wants to make the race for President he must take a running start clear around the earth?—New York Mail.

The Brooklyn bigamist who kept his second wife in Baltimore was unusually cautious. The usual way is to install the other family in the next street.—New York Sun.

The constituents of some of the brand-new Congressmen who went to Washington to run things must begin to wonder why nothing has yet happened.—Philadelphia Press.

A Massachusetts woman tied her husband to the kitchen door so he would not bother her in her housework. Here's a subject for debate at women's clubs.—Philadelphia Ledger.

The eagle on the new \$20 gold piece is represented in flight. It will be agreed that this is fittingly emblematic of money's most pronounced characteristic.—Washington Herald.

If the constable who came near putting the Earl of Yarmouth in jail the day of the wedding had but carried out his intentions much trouble would have been avoided.—Philadelphia Ledger.

A scientist contends that man is merely an evolution of the fish. Certainly one has to be careful or somebody in the neighborhood will throw the hooks into him.—Washington Herald.

"Don't cut wages," says Mr. Gompers. Nor the price of stocks, the cost of living, nor the length of after-dinner speeches. This is too big a country to cut anything, even its eyeteeth.—New York Mail.

Baltimore wants to hold a world's fair in 1914 on the centennial of the publication of "The Star Spangled Banner." Have Norfolk and St. Louis suffered and accumulated experience in vain?—Chicago News.

Santa Claus, assisted by Mrs. Luck, presented William Luck of Roanoke, Va., with four babes on Christmas eve and Mr. Luck seems fully entitled to his name. But what kind of luck was it?—Philadelphia Inquirer.

Many a ten-twenty-thirty-cent statesman, used to playing week stands at home, has found, after his first performance in Congress, that he isn't even a one-night success in Washington.—Washington Herald.

The declaration of Mrs. Rose Paster Stokes that she thinks more of the red flag than the Stars and Stripes is calculated to evoke a heretofore unentertained suspicion that she is an auctioneering.—Pittsburg Dispatch.

Mark Twain suggests that we get Mr. Carnegie to reform the alphabet. It is dangerous to make such a suggestion to a man who needs so many directions into which to bend his energies and his pocketbook.—New York Sun.

The item is going the rounds that John D. Rockefeller is to sell one of his automobiles. Is this to be taken as a storm signal of coming hard times, or is the Standard Oil Company getting ready to pay that fine?—Portland Argus.

The Omaha Bee defines the term "bank's reserve" as a thing discoverable only when a loan is wanted without gilt-edge security. But the real reserve of the banks is found in the coldness of the cashier and his ability to say no.—Cincinnati Commercial.