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JOURNEY REQUIRED TWO LONG YEARS

Story Retold of Chrisman's Ill-Fated Traction Freight Engine Venture on the Dalles-Silver Lake Route.

SILVER LAKE, Or., June 27.— Standing by a blacksmith shop at this place is a huge piece of machinery, patched and wrapped and mended until scarcely a bolt or nail is intact as orignally completed. It is called a traction or road engine, and is a huge one at that.

Securing freight in this country is the object of every merchant's life. To The Dalles, a distance of 120 miles, over rough mountain roads and desert sands, is the nearest point to the railroad or water navigation. It takes a long time to make this trip with an ordinary freight wagon and team, so long, that many goods that are fresh on starting out become stale before they reach their destination.

F. M. Chrisman, a leading general merchant of Silver Lake, was persuaded that a traction engine was the thing, and he invested in one and determined to revolutionize the freight business between The Dalles and Silver Lake. More than two years ago he started out from The Dalles with his big traction engine, with a train of wagons loaded with freight attached. The roads at the start, were favorable, and the engine worked like a charm. Up and down the long grades leading out from The Dalles the train moved with the ease of a railroad train, if not with the rapidity, of one. In fact, the start was so propitious that Mr. Chrisman on the very start wagered $1000 that he would be in Silver Lake in thirty days, thinking at the time that he would make the trip in half the time. But in an hour afterwards the trouble began. A rod broke and he had to send back to The Dalles for repairs. In another hundred yards another break occurred and the blacksmith at The Dalles had to be employed. Then water gave out and the ranchers' wells were drawn upon. Wood became an object through the barren country and the ranchers' wood piles were bought at their own price. As they progressed, sometimes a mile in a day, some days a hundred yards and some days not a foot, the thing consumed all the wood and water for miles in every direction. But Chrisman was undaunted. He said that he would land the thing in Silver Lake. He established movable blacksmith shops, carpenter shops and shanties for the men to shelter under, and the traction engine and its train of wagons and the shops and shanties were an odd sight as they moved along the mountain and desert roads. A big crowd also accompanied the train most of the time, as the ranchers of every particular neighborhood, and their families, came to see the novel sight, and followed along when it moved for hours. As they reached the more sparsely settled communities famine was left in their wake. Wood, water and fuel were completely exhausted. The combined efforts of the ranchers could not keep the thing in wood, as in many places fuel had to be hauled for many miles. In a few weeks' time some of the goods in the wagons began to get stale and these wagons were detached and taken on to Silver Lake by means of the old-time power—horses. Then hills were reached where the engine could not ascend and all the horses for miles around were employed to pull the machine and the train to the top. From morning to night the shouts to the horses, the swearing workmen, the axes of the woodchoppers and the hammers in the blacksmith and carpenter shops kept up a din.

But this was pastime compared with what was to follow. Out in the desert water and wood had to be hauled for 30 and 40 miles. Days were spent without moving an inch. Privations and suffering were endured. The wagons were all cut loose and taken to Silver Lake, drawn by horses, but Chrisman said that the traction engine had to go through. It finally came to the point where wells had to be dug along the route for water and temporary wooding stations had to be established, but the engine moved along in one way and another, day by day, or every other day, or week, with snail-like progress. The whole line of road still shows the traces of this remarkable trip—the camping places, the fragments of broken iron, and the deep holes in the sands that were once wells to furnish water for the boiler. Any rancher will look sad when you speak of the trip of the Chrisman traction engine when he thinks of the wood and water and provision famine that lay in its wake.

But perseverance won as it always does. A little more than two years from the date of leaving The Dalles, Chrisman pulled into Silver Lake with his road engine. There was not a wagon attached to it and it was the mass of patches and mendings it now is. He stopped it near the blacksmith shop, where it still stands and will probably stand forever. No one has ever ascertained what it cost to land it there and probably never will, but Chrisman is still in business.

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SEYMOUR IN A BAD FIX

His Force Is Short of Provisions and Is Said to Be Returning Without Having Rescued the Ministers and Foreigners.

WASHINGTON, June 27.—The following cablegram was received at the navy department late this afternoon:

"Che Foo, June 27.—Secretary of the navy, Washington: Pekin force and ministers reported with the Pekin relief expedition, entrenched eight miles from Tien Tsin.

LONDON, June 27.—A special from Shanghai, dated last evening, says that communication with Admiral Seymour was opened by the Tien Tsin relief force Sunday. Admiral Seymour was at that time said to be ten miles from Tien Tsin. Three hundred of the members of his party were reported sick and wounded; only a few had been killed. They were short of provisions, and were returning without having rescued the legations.

WASHINGTON, June 27.—The Chinese minister called this morning on the secretary of state and communicated to him the contents of a dispatch which he had received from the Tsung li Yamen, at Pekin, dated on the 19th inst. The dispatch stated that the foreign minister had before this date asked permission for the legation guards to enter the city, which permission had been granted; that they subsequently asked that these guards be reinforced, which the Chinese government was not disposed to permit. The dispatch then goes on to state that the consul-general at Tien Tsin (supposed to be the French consul-general), had demanded the surrender of the Taku forts and that the foreign ministers were shortly to leave Pekin for Tien Tsin with their guards.

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Have Designs on Democrats.

CHICAGO, June 27.—The Record says: It has developed that the prohibitionists of the United States expect to go before the democratic national convention at Kansas City July 4th, with a list of 1,000,000 voters pledged to support William J. Bryan if the Democratic party will adopt a prohibition plank in its platform. The advocates of this movement do not expect the democrats to favor such a plank, but they believe and insist that it will be the entering wedge which will finally split one or the other of the two great parties and build up on the ruins the foundation of a new party.

The plan of pledging 1,000,000 voters who signed an agreement to support no candidate who did not stand firmly on the prohibition issue, originated with the Ram's Horn, a magazine which is recognized as the mouthpiece of prohibition. It is said the national prohibition convention today will endorse the effort of the Ram's Horn.

Many of the delegates, upon hearing of the action to be taken at Kansas City, wanted to know today why the matter was not taken up with the republican convention at Philadelphia. Inquiry, however, showed that the list of pledgers was not complete at that time.

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Dewey Still Has Fond Hopes.

NEWPORT, R. I., June 27.—Admiral Dewey, in an interview last night, said: "I stand just where I was some time age. If the American people want me as their candidate for president, I am ready."

Asked if he would stand for the nomination of vice-president, he replied he would not.

Concerning the political outlook in the west, from which part of the country the admiral recently returned, he said: "There is a strong feeling in the west for Bryan, and if he runs for the presidency I believe he will be elected."

Admiral Dewey paid a high tribute to President McKinley. He spoke of the mental strain under which the chief executive labored, and cited the case of the present crisis in China, which is very serious.

Mr. W. S. Whedon, cashier of the First National bank of Winterset, Iowa, in a recent letter gives some experience with a carpenter in his employ, that will be of value to other mechanics. He says: "I had a carpenter working for me who was obliged to stop work for several days on account of being troubled with diarrhœa. I mentioned to him that I had been similarly troubled and that Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhœa Remedy had cured me. He bought a bottle of it from the druggist here and informed me that one dose cured him, and he is again at his work." For sale by Blakeley & Houghton.

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