

Life of a Locomotive.
Some careful experiments which have been made in England prove that the life of a locomotive is about 500,000 "train miles." In other words, that a locomotive of the latest approved pattern will run 500,000 miles before wearing out so as to be useless. In making this run of 500,000 miles the fire box will have to be renewed three times, the wheels tires five or six times, and the crank axles from three to five times.

In a Hurry.
Mrs. Howson Lott—The tax collector left a bill this morning. They have changed the name of the road in front from a street to an avenue and doubled the tax rate.

Howson Lott—By Jove! I'll pay that bill at once, before they make another change and call it a boulevard.—Judge.

An Honest Confession, Etc.
"Mr. Pitcher," said the gentleman's wife, in a horrified tone, "you are drunk!"
"I wish I must be," assented Pitcher, "or else I wouldn't (die) let you sleep in this condition."—Pink 'Un.

At Last.
"Mary," said the sick man to his wife, when the doctor pronounced it a case of small-pox, "if any of my creditors call, tell them that I am at last in a condition to give them something."—Port Jervis Gazette.

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PORTLAND LETTER.
Changes That Have Been Wrought Within the Year in the Thriving Metropolis.
Special Correspondence.
Portland, Or., Oct. 21.—Such weather as Portland has been having all during the Exposition, is simply delightful. Never warm, at any time. I have not at any time felt the need of an overcoat. The nights have been clear, and the moon beautiful. With such weather, it has been pleasant to wander about the city of nights, and look in the windows of the big stores, many of which are lighted even when closed to business.

Since you were here Portland has four elegantly paved streets. Morrison street and Third and Washington have fine, smooth, asphalt pavements, and Fourth street from below the new city hall, up to Union depot nearly, is paved with wooden blocks which are on a concrete and sand foundations. The wood pavement is an experiment. The blocks are of a soft fir. The chinks between the blocks are filled with tar. It makes a smooth and "givey" roadway. If it shall prove to wear well it will be the pavement for this section as long as our fir forests exist.

Ben Tillman, the South Carolina senator, spoke here last week for Bryan, and Ben Butterworth, ex-member of congress from Ohio, followed the next night for McKinley. The former is a rugged, quick, vigorous, dashing campaigner; the latter is as smooth, genial, cosy and persuasive in manner as what Mariah says I used to be. It takes all manner of men to make a world. From the gallant South we find in Oregon a man as rough as a miner in earlier days, whilst from the middle west, Ohio, Oregonians are listening to a Chesterfield in manners, and one who evidently thinks a soft answer turneth away wrath. Both had large and enthusiastic audiences. Tillman had an open air meeting, and fully 5,000 people heard him; Butterworth spoke indoors to a packed house with 1,500 seating capacity, but hundreds were turned away unable to get standing room.

The exposition closed Saturday night the 17th inst. without any particularly special feature unless it be the smallness of the crowd. The campaign and hard times were rather disastrous financially. Whereas, last year the guarantee fund was returned to subscribers, and a surplus of \$4,000 left over, this year there is a deficit of about \$2,500. Yet the entertainment provided for visitors this year quite equalled last. There were eight big special nights for the various secret orders this year as against three last year; yet the excitement of the campaign, the counter attractions of eloquent speeches to be heard free, coupled with the stringency of the times, combined to make the gate receipts too small, "by several," to cover the expenses. However, Portland is a plucky town, and no doubt next year's exposition will be a success such as was last year's.

This is truly a great campaign of education. On many corners right in the heart of the city there are gathered crowds of men, from ten to even 100, listening to disputes on the money question. The listeners "put in" every now and then, and the debate growing general often becomes warm, but never boisterous. Nor are these gatherings composed of only idle men of the poorer people; by no means. As a rule the crowds are made up of rather well-dressed men, and not infrequently men of position and means take a turn at solving a sticker, or of proposing a crusher. The crowds most always seem to be in good humor, and the American's love of fair play is never more conspicuous than when the opponents in these street corner gatherings get to thumping one another with what each considers knock-down arguments.

Competition is the life of trade, we are told. Portland now has two telephone companies, and one has to have two phones to reach the people who would all patronize one company were there only one. The rival company brought down rates, but when one pays both companies he finds that that kind of competition has cost him more than he bargained for. It is such facts as these that give rise to the agitation for municipal ownership of telephones, gas, street cars, etc.; but on the merits of that I express no opinion, as the editorial columns of your paper are exclusively for expressing opinions. A correspondent should at least let the editor do his own editing.

Almost as many women here ride the bicycle as men; and my belief is that about each of one-twentieth of the population has a bicycle. The folks with money, "keep up the style" in bicycles. Their '96 wheel is turned right over to the dealer for some small price, probably one-quarter of the original retail cost, and that amount deducted from the '97 model. This makes second-hand machines of last year, almost as good as new, sell for about half price. You see, it would not do for one of these tony riders to be seen next spring astride a '96 model; that would exclude him or her from his or her '97 model set. Well, after all, it is these kind of folks that give employment to labor, and cheap, good bikes to poor people. EZEKIEL.

A Heavy Failure.
Hartford, Conn., Oct. 21.—Judge Henry E. Taintor, receiver of the assigned banking firm of G. P. Bissell & Co., today filed in the superior court a report, which shows \$90 departmental inventory, which shows \$290,000. All assets that could be found make a total of \$307,236, but the receiver is unable to give any approximate statement of the liabilities and assets further than the failure is known to be a heavy one.

A WAR REMINISCENCE.
Scenes at Hatcher's Creek and Petersburg Recalled.
John B. Seace Speaks to a Reporter of Stirring Scenes—Escaped With a Slight Wound, but Like Other Veterans, Has Suffered Since—A Story That Reads Like a Page From History.
From the Albany, N. Y., Journal.

When one encounters in print the life story of some scarred veteran of the civil war, a feeling of admiration and sympathy is the certain result. Accustomed though we are to tales of heroism and suffering in every day life, there is something peculiarly attractive about these old war records, serving, as they do, as a sacred passport to the heart of every true American. Thousands found their rest on the field of carnage or in the hospital, but their comrades, when the struggle was over and the victory won, returned to their homes and began anew the battle of life.

John B. Seace, the widely known contractor and building-mover of Albany, N. Y., has an unusually interesting life, and when seen by a reporter recently at his home, No. 15 Bradford street, told of his many experiences and adventures while serving under the old flag in the late war. Although having endured all the hardships and privations of life in the ranks, Mr. Seace bears his more than half a century of years with an elastic step and a keen mind, taking an active interest in private and public affairs.

Mr. Seace is a member of Berkshire Lodge, No. 52, I. O. O. F. He enlisted in the army in 1862, in Company A, Forty-ninth Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry, serving under Col. W. F. Bartlett, First Brigade, First Division, Nineteenth Corps, with which he participated in some of the hottest battles of the war, including Port Hudson, Donaldsonville and Plain Store, where he was wounded. His time being out, he was discharged, but soon re-enlisted as sergeant in Company A, Sixty-first Regiment, Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry. He was in the battle of Hatcher's Run, the fight about Petersburg and the battle of Sailor's Creek.

After his honorable discharge, June 4, 1865, Mr. Seace returned to Albany and settled down once again to his business and social interests. He has resided in the city ever since. It would seem that now, of all times, his peace and happiness would have been uninterrupted. Such was not to be the case, for four years ago, while engaged in superintending the raising of the immense smokestack of the Albany Electric power house, the lever of a loosened windlass struck him a heavy blow across the back. The effect of the blow was not at first apparent, he being able to leave his bed in a few days. But the worst was to follow, for without warning he was seized with sciatic rheumatism in all its virulence. Untold agony followed.

Said Mr. Seace, "I could not sleep for the pain. No one will know the tortures the rheumatism gave me. I don't know how I lived during those days. I became little more than skin and bones, and it seemed like life didn't have anything but suffering in it. Cures? I tried every so-called rheumatic cure that was ever invented. I gave all of them a good trial before I stopped taking them. My friends and neighbors recommended remedy after remedy that they heard of, but my rheumatism went on just the same. Well, after I had almost had the life tortured out of me, I came across a newspaper account of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and I thought I might as well add another name to the list as not, so I ordered some of my druggist.

"I tell you, I was glad in those days to hear of anything that could give me any hope at all. Yes, I got them, and before I had taken two boxes that pain began to leave me. Why, I couldn't understand it. I couldn't imagine myself being cured. But before I had taken a half-dozen of those boxes I was cured. The suffering which had made my life almost unbearable for so long had disappeared. I was a new man.

"I began to get strong. I picked up in flesh, and I went back to my business with all the vigor and vim of a young man. I think everyone who knows me will tell you what it did for me. Pink Pills is the grandest medicine ever discovered, and if my recommendation will do it any good I want you to use it. I hope others will hear of it and be benefited as I have been. Everyone should hear of it. I can't say too much for them." Mr. Seace exclaimed, enthusiastically, in conclusion.

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CURRENT EVENTS.
Cynthia (looking at photograph)—Hi—am, just turn your head a little. Hi—am—You have turned it already, Cynthia.—New York World.

He—It's reported around that we are engaged. She—Well, you know it's a mistake. He—Yes; I called to see if I couldn't rectify it.—Puck.

Arthur—Are you sure she loves you? Jack—Yes. When I told her I had no money to marry on she asked me if I couldn't borrow some.—Puck.

"Sometimes," said Uncle Eben, "er man puts on er long face an' says he's discouraged when he's simply too lazy ter try again."—Washington Star.

She—Everybody says you married me only for my money. He—But I didn't, dear. I know you look it, dear, but I didn't.—Indianapolis Journal.

Her Father—Has my daughter given you any encouragement, sir? Sultor—Well, she said you were always a very generous parent.—Philadelphia American.

Mame—I hope you didn't let that Mr. Huggins put his arm about you? Mabel—Why? Is there anything the matter with his arm?—Washington Star.

Mrs. Elmore—I wonder how many stops that new organ of De Smyth's has got? Elmore—Only three, I should judge. One for each meal.—Buffalo Times.

"I see they are applying ball bearings to a great many things now." "Yes; they have a ball bearing sign down where I keep my watch."—Washington Times.

Stern Parent—You say he is a genius. Geniuses seldom amount to much. Daughter—But, pa, he promises that he will not work at it after we are married.—Boston Transcript.

Hoax—Poor B Jones has to run all the errands and cook his own meals. Joax—What's the trouble? Hoax—He was foolish enough to buy his wife a bicycle.—Philadelphia Record.

When in the brassy skies above No hope nor help I see,
I gladly seek the girl I love—
She's always cool to me.
—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Spirit (at Lily Dale seance)—Don't you know me? I'm the spirit of your mother-in-law. Investigator—You can't fool me. My mother-in-law always brought her trunk with her.—Buffalo Times.

"I suppose you know all about the financial question?" said the intimate friend. "I don't say that I know all about it," replied the candidate, "but I know enough not to talk about it."—Washington Star.

Miss Chilledame—Don't you know that nature rebels against laziness? A man can get nothing in this world without labor. Wrestling Offen—Humph! Can't he? He can get hungry, I guess.—Harper's Bazar.

Peasant—I spoke to our herb doctor and he advised me that I should—
Doctor (interrupting)—Oh, he gave you some idiotic advice, I don't doubt. Peasant—He advised me to see you.—Humoristische Blaetter.

"Has your wife learned to ride a wheel?" "Nup; but she has been taking cooking lessons, and about every morning she goes into the kitchen and has a scorching competition with the cook."—Indianapolis Journal.

"Isn't it too bad about Charlie Newed? I understand that since his marriage he and his wife have been living from hand to mouth." "Oh, I guess they're all right. It's her father's hand, you know."—New York Press.

Nell—Miss B Jones uses French phrases in the most peculiar manner. Belle—Does she? Nell—Yes, indeed! Why, at breakfast yesterday I asked her how she liked her eggs, and she said they were very chick.—Philadelphia Record.

"Have you got it on you yet?" asked little Petey of his sister's bestest best. "W—w—what?" inquired the three night a week beau. "Why, a move. Sister said the other night she wished you'd hurry up and get a move on you."—Philadelphia North American.

"I say, captain," said a young Englishman on board an American clipper, "that flag of yours has not floated in every breeze and over every sea for a thousand years, has it?" "No, it ain't," replied the captain, "but it has licked one that has."—Youth's Companion.

Fenderson—I consider it a good rule, and it's one I have tried to follow, to say bright things only once in a while; in that way my good things are remembered. If I was all the time getting off bright things they wouldn't be noticed. Fogg—A very good rule; but, Fendy, don't you think you observe it too closely?—Boston Transcript.

The Iron Duke.
As the Duke of Wellington was standing, one day, opposite his house in Piccadilly, waiting an opportunity to cross the street, an entire stranger to him offered his arm to the duke to assist him in crossing. Although Wellington hated assistance of any kind, he accepted the stranger's arm, and the latter, having secured a passage by signing to the drivers of the vehicles to stop, conducted the great man in safety across the street. "I thank you, sir," said the duke, releasing his arm and proceeding to his house-door. But the stranger, instead of moving off, raised his hat and delivered himself to the following effect: "Your grace, I have passed a long and not uneventful life, but never did I hope to reach the day when I might be of the slightest assistance to the greatest man that ever lived." "Don't be a damned fool!" responded the duke, and turned on his heel.

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