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THE BRAKEMAN'S STORY.

"Yes, sir," said the brakeman, as he stood by the stove warming his numbled hands, after coming in from braking. "People think, as they sit in their warm seats and only hour us call out the different stations, that we have a nice, soft, easy time. But we know better. Imag ine yourself out on a flat car all night, with the snow dashing in your face, your hands on a cold iron brake, and think if that's easy; or up on top of a treight car, running along, the wind cutting like a knife, as dark as pitch, and watching for fear you may rush suddenly under a bridge and be swept off, and perhaps be left to die in the snow. Is that easy? Does that look like a soft job ? To be sure, when we are transferred to passenger cars the work is nice enough, but the dangers we have to go through (for we generally have to go on freight cars first) entitle us to something better on a passenger car, and we ain't sorry when we get orders to take the bead end of such a regular train. "There are very few brakemen

Who can't tell never to-be-forgotten incidents connected with their life on the rail. To explain, let me tell you a story from my own experience. I remember one night, it was fearfully cold, right in the middle of winter, and snowing hard. I was braking in the middle of a freight train. It was running along on show time that night, and we were about two or three miles from the station. I was standing by the brake of a flat car, trying to get warm by stamping, wishing that we were at the depot, so that I could go back to the calsose out of the something was wrong. The whistle blew for brakes, and in a mighty short time we had the train stopped.

"With the rest of the men I went back to see what was the matter, thinking that I might get a chance at the stove, for a was nearly frozen. Going tack three hundred feet, we found one of the rails had got loose and was out of place, but, as we had been going slowly, we had run over the spot safely. Our conductor looked up, and seeing me, said :

"Jim get back and signal the passet ger train. She will be along in a short time now; 'and take this,' he said, handing me a redlight lantern; 'we'il go on. You can come along with the other train.' "With that all hands got on board,

and soon there was nothing but me and the lastern left."

"A cold gust brought me to myself with a quick turn, and then I remembered what I had to do, Holding the lantern up I saw the light was flickering, and shaking it, found it almost empty. Then I began to feel the responsibility of my position; a lamp with no oil in it. the train due in ten minutes with the chances of its being thrown off the track, and no telling how many poor people killed or syounded. In a case of that kind, sir, even a brakeman will do his best to save human life, although he sometimes loses his own in the attempt ; and all he gets for it is having his name in the pa-

per and being called a brave fellow. "Onicker than I can tell, I made np my mind that the train must be signalled, lamp or no lamp. But how to do it was the question. If I ran ahead without a light the engineer might think I wanted to stop the train for robbery, for such things have been done, you know, and would not only cash on faster than before, but (may be) try to scald me as the I comotive rushed by. I tell you I felt like praying just thea; but brakemen are not selected for their religious feelings, so I didn't pray much ; but looked around and saw a light shinning in a window some distance off. I laid down my lantern carefully on the track, made a bee line for the house, and soon brought a woman to the door who looked more frightened than I was, feast of the soul that the man of at my excited appearance. It was science and learning enjoys, nor can useless to ask for sperm oil (the only he form that high estimate of the Deity which the grandeur and mag-

kind we use), so I cried out. "For God's sake get me some

straw. "She seemed to realize the position, and quickly brought a bundle, Feeling in my pocket, I found three matches, and grabbing the straw I made my way back to the track.

rails, I struck a match and shoved it into the bundle. It flickered an instant, and then went out. I felt and found the straw damp.

"Just then a dull faint rumbling sound came down on the wind, and to prosperity, I knew she was coming : the train would sood be there."

"I struck off the second match and touched off the straw-a blaze, light away in the distance. But drunken frolic. train's don't crawl, and a buzzing along the rail told me to be lively. The red light was burning but faintly ; five minutes more and it would go out. For an instant I stood paralyzed, when a shrill whistle from the engine brought me to my senses, and I saw that inside of two minutes she would be there.

bending down laid it carefully inside waving the red light. The glare age. from the headlight shone down the screeching, he came straight on, merciful to his beast." When the train was almost upon me I jumped to one side, and sling. ing the lantern over my head dashed it straight into the cab. The and battered lantern whistled the danger rignal and tried to check up.

"Look down the track I almost screamed with excitement. The last match had found a dry spot, and the staw was blazing up bright-The train came to a standstill. She was saved ; that's all I remem-

"The next I knew I was in the baggage car. They said they had found me in a dead faint, and-excuse me, we are going to stop now. was his prompt reply.

"Stamford !" he sung out. The train stopped and the writer went them ?" home, satisfied that a brakeman's life is an exciting one.

Thoughts in Leisure Moments.

What is the condition of the man

whose mind is enshrouded in dark-

ness? He grows up like a beast, without one true conception of life, or a single exalted idea of its obligations. He uses his physical powers because their use is necessary for applied it to the acquisition of ter evenings he sits around the fire bitter cold, when suddenly I felt the and gazes upon it with a vacant ter, and I demand her hand in martrain bumping and jumping like as store, almost as stupid as the gaze riage. Behold the proofs of your hearses the common tattle of the splendid rains, or the wonderful pro- Press. ductions of other lands. He knows nothing of the habits and customs of other people. His mind is confined within the narrow limits of his own the physical condition of other counful machinery used in the manufactories of the country. He knows little of the laws of nature. He be-

> nothing more than canopy for the earth. He never asks himself which are stars and which are planets. So long as the sun shines, the moon sheds her mellow light, and the clouds sprickle their waters over the thirsty fields, he takes no concern. He takes no pains to make his home pleasant and attractive, nor does he make any effort to improve the implements and machinery with which he works. He opposes every innovation, ridicules every new invention, and makes war upon those who attempt to improve the community in husbandry, education. or morals. Were they under his control the agricultural, mechanical and moral world would stand still, as the material world was supposed to stand in former times. Under his centrol no improvement in science or art would ever be made, no invention conducive to the happiness of man would ever be discovered, the evils of depraved passion would never be controled, and the race would never rise above the sensualities of the baser world. He is left a prey to all the foolish notions and vain alarms which ignor mee and superstition engender. While he gorges his mind with such nonsense, he sourus with contempt all the revelations of science as absurdities too extravagant for credulity to entertain. It is evident that

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Signs of a Prosperous Farmer.

nificence of His works present.

such a man can never experience

that high and lofty pleasures and

When you see a barn larger than his house, it shows that he will have "Laving the straw between the large profits and small afflictions, thief?

When you see him driving his work, instead of his work driving him, it shows that he will never be driven from good resolutions, and that he will certainly work his way

When you always see in his wood house a sufficiency for three months or more, it shows that he will be more than a ninety days' wonder, a little smoke, and it was dark again, in farming operations, and that he and raising my eyes I saw the head- is not sleeping in his house after a

When he his a house sejarate from the main building, purposely for ashes, an iron or tin vessel to transport them, it shows that he never built his dwelling to be a funeral pile for his family, and perhaps

When his sled is housed in summer, and his implements covered "Seizing the lantern with one both in winter and summer, it hand I struck the last match, and plainly shows that he will have a good house over his head in the sumthe straw and then dashed forward, mer of early life, and winter of old

When cattle are properly shielded track and the engineer saw me, but did not notice the red light—the sudden waving had put it out—only screeching, he came straight on, merciful to his heast?

When he is seen subscribing for a newspaper and paying in advance, it shows that he is speaking like a book respecting the latest improvements engineer saw the lamp as it broke in agriculture, and that he never on the floor, and seeing the red glass gets his walking papers to the land of poverty.

Laying for Him.

It having come to the ears of the United States officials at this point that Big English, the boot-black, had a handful of lead nickels in his possession, the boy was yesterday interviewed on the subject.

"Yes; I've got nineteen bad nickels in my trewsers pocket,"

"And what are you doing with "Holding right to 'em. You needn't think you've got a case

again me, for you haven't." "How did you get those bad piec-

"Rich man, who shall be nameless -black his boots every morning hands me out a lead nickel-thinks he's got a soft thing on me, but I'm layin' for him !"

"How ?" "Why, he's got a daughter 'bout his subsistence. Perhaps he has my age. I'll be thinking of marrydearned to read, but he' has never | ing in two or three years more, and I'll shoulder a bag of his nickels, knowledge. During the long win. | walk into the parlor, and gently say 'Mister man, I love thy fair daughof a cat, talks foolish talk, and re- vile perfily, and come up to the rack or go to the jug!' You just neighborhood. He can form no keep still and let him shower out conception of the picturesque land. his bogus coins. I ain't handsome, scapes, the beautiful scenes, the but I'm a terror to plan !"-Fiee

It Isn't So. Mr. Margary, the Boston missionary to China, either intended to deneighborhood, or circumscribed by ceive or was basely mistaken when the horizon which skirts his own he wrote to a Boston paper that blue hills. He knows nothing of "A kick and a few words in his own tongue telling him he is an ignorant tries, and their island, lakes, rivers | boor will make a common Chinamas and mountains. He knows little worship you." This item was copied about the mighty productions of inte a Detroit paper, and after readother men, little of the discoveries ling it a day or two ago a cigar-makin science, and little of the wonder- er determined to try the experiment. He had a little grudge against Lung Sing, that excellent Woodward avenue washerman, and he laid for him. holds the heavens and thinks it L. S. was passing Duffield's Churc's a bundle under his arm, when the eigar-maker got in three or four twomule kicks on him, at the same time addressing the Celestial on the subject of his ignorance. Men on the opposite side of the street saw the affair, but by the time they had crossed the street the cigar-maker had been doubled up against the iron fence, his nese was bleeding, his lip cut, and he seemed to be suffering with a broken back, while the Chinaman, fresh as a daisy, called out : "Melican man wantee any more!"

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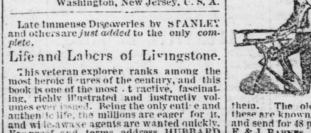
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