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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 28, 1867.

Railroad Disasters and the Methods of

Tun press of the country is very generally discussing the recent terrible railroad disaster which occurred at Angola, N. Y., with a view to suggesting such improvements in our present system of cars, engines, etc., as shall prevent the recurrence of similar calamities in the future. The suggestions made cover a wide field, and serve to show how very defective and imperfect many of our present arrangements are. Some of the improvements proposed relate to the construction and arrangement of car-wheels, so that the fracture of a single one shall not be sufficient to throw the cars from their track; others relate to the matter of brakes, so as to give the engineer full and prompt control of his train without dependence upon the movements of brakesmen; others again relate to the construction of strong parapets to bridges, so that the running off of a train, or of a car, should be impossible; still others relate to the material and construction of cars, so as to guard against that most appalling of all dangers-the liability to burning up in the case of an accident involving the partial demolition of a car. We think this last is the most practical of all the reforms urged. No amount of care in the construction of roads and rolling stock, or in the running of trains, can do away with the liability of cars to run off of the track. It is one of those contingencies which cannot be avoided. The breaking of rails or of wheels when under the influence of frost will continue to happen, and will always be attended with the liability to throw cars from the track, and sometimes down declivities and embankments where the destruction of the car is inevitable. Here the true policy is to guard as much as possible against the resulting dangers, and of these, as our cars are at present constructed, the most appalling is that of fire. Where a car is thrown down an embankment, as in this case at Angola, striking end foremost, the effect is to precipitate the passengers, seats, broken woodwork, and stoves, all into one mass at the end of the car. Almost instant combustion is the result. In th examination before the Coroner concerning the Angola disaster, one witness testified that he reached the car from his house in less than half a minute from the time it plunged down the embankment, and saw the coals of fire from the stove scattered all over the car. The terrible destruction of human life in this case was due clearly to the preence of the stoves. Some were doubtless killed and many wounded by the tremendous concussion of the car as it plunged to the bottom of the bridge, but the greater number of deaths was occasioned by the conflagration which instantly swept through the débris of the wrecked car. And as regards stoves, while their presence in a car at all is to be reprehended, yet if they are to be there, they ought to be arranged with special reference to guarding against the perils of fire in cases of accident. The stove doors should be securely locked, and the stoves themselves securely strapped to the sides and floor of the car, so that their detachment would be next to impossible. A safe method would be to obtain heat from furnaces located beneath the car, as is customary on some roads. In case of the break-up of a car thus arranged, there would be but little liability of the coals of fire being being scattered immediately among the passengers. But the true reform is to discard all these methods of heating, and to resort to steam pipes passing from oar to car. This would accomplish the desired result much more perfectly, and would avoid the dangers of fire altogether. The method of heating cars by stoves is most unphilosophical and unsatisfactory. The floors are always cold, while the upper part of the cars is uncomfortably hot. Indeed, as between the present method of heating with stoves, and doing without them altogether, trusting to extra clothing for warmth, we believe that the comfort of passengers would be consulted

The frequency of railroad accidents, and the appalling loss of life they are occasioning, must result in turning the attention of legislative bodies to the matter, unless the managers of railroads shall themselves seek out and apply the proper remedies. The risks of railroad travelling are large enough at the best, but the public has a right to demand that those risks shall be made as few and slight as possible.

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## Fenianism Irrepressible.

PENIANISM seems to be farther than ever from being suppressed in Great Britain. Instead of being confined to Ireland the disease has spread to England, where its chief manifestations are just now being made. The London Times announces that no less than thirty thousand special constables have been sworn in and are now serving in London alone. Arrests, trials, convictions, and executions appear only to add fuel to the flames. Instead of open and organized resistance to the Government, the hostility of the Feniaus has taken to exhibiting itself in such outre forms as the blowing-up of prison walls, the sending of letters filled with explosive powder to promi- enough, and would be a great improvement nent officials, and the like. Unfortunately the injuries done by these novel methods of sometimes given as a matter of grace, and BT.ASIUS BROS., 1006 CHESNUT St.

warfare have mainly been inflicted upon incecent parties, as in the late explosion at Clerkenwell, where but little damage was done to the prison, while a block of dwellings for the poor near by was entirely demolished, and some sixty persons killed and wounded.

As is natural, these transactions are occasioning great excitement throughout Great Britain. The fact of the calling out of thirty thousand special constables in London shows the extent of the alarm in that part of England. It is a condition of quasi civil war.

This Fenian question is a suming such importance that British statesmanship must divine some method of solving it. It can no longer be ignored or postponed. If it do not eventuate in immediate and open civil war, it places Great Britain at the mercy of her enemies, for at the first outbreak of a foreign war Fenian demonstrations would assume a most menacing shape. Something must be done to pacify Ireland. The wrongs of centuries are clamoring for redress, if not for vengeance. It is not to be expected that the Government of Great Britain will consent to the independence of Ireland, but it must do justice by her, or a convulsion which will shake the empire to its foundations is only a question

Necessity of Freedom in Legisla-

tive Debate. THE recent extension of the motion for the previous question in the House of Representatives, is cause of sincere regret to all thinking men. It will be noticed by the readers of the papers, that in the Congressional reports we seldom if ever see any account of a speech in the lower House on the passage of an impertant resolution. We see that a certain gentleman introduced the measure, made a short speech, and at the conclusion he "moved the previous question." The resolution was then either passed or defeated, with no further investigation of its merits than the address of the mover. This fashion of imposing a "gag law" is no new invention of any political party, but was conceived years age and carried into active operation in the days of Andrew Jackson. But it has grown with the progress of the nation. Whenever either political party secures a decided ascendancy, it resorts to it to out off the debate of the opposition and secure party legislation. There can be no doubt that its origin is due to a desire to prevent dilatory and factious opposition to measures, and to do away with the power, which was vested under Parliamentary law in an obstinate minority, to delay, if not ultimately defeat, any measure which might be really required for the public good. But it has outgrown its usefulness. It has degenerated, so that it is too frequently used to defeat all frank and necessary debate, rather than to check the "jerrymandering" of factious opponents. The remedy is now worse than the evil, and the days of spirited and intelligent discussion of a public measure seem to have died with the parties of the last generation. Where would be the reputation of Clay, Calhoun, and Webster, if the rule had been enforced against them? What chance would oratory have to lay its eloquence before the audience if it was liable at any moment to be cut short by a blow from the Speaker's gavel? What force would be exercised by the most convincing logic if the speaker was limited to seven or eight minutes. as the will of the mover of the resolution dictated? The more the evil of this system is examined, the more loudly will it call for reform. The various representatives are sent to the National capital not to merely vote on a measure, but to confer together and discuss its merits and defects. If the casting of a vote was all that was required, we might have a lot of proxies who would do the duty cheaply and quite as efficiently. It is desired that these members, selected for their peculiar qualifications, should act after being informed by the wisdom of each other. But where is there any opportunity for such an end if the previous question is to continue to rule? What opportunity for a well-posted speaker to instruct his fellow-members? It may be that there is in the House some member who is peculiarly versed in the working of a certain proposition, he may have made it a special study, yet when the question comes up he has no chance to tell those who do not possess his knowledge of the objections to the proposed law. It is passed. A grand mistake is made, which could have been prevented had the spirit of free debate not been legally violated.

This evil has grown now to such an extent that a repeal, or at least a modification, of the rule is imperatively demanded. A committee to investigate a proposed law is excellent, and its reference is proper, but the committee is not the House of Representatives. It does not represent or speak for all the people, and it is fitting that the merits should be discussed at large in the House. We are heartily glad that the Senate has never recognized any such rule. There exists in that body no such thing as a previous question. There is no end to the debate on an important issue until all that desire have spoken. By this means the only really satisfactory result possible is reached. The concurrent opinion of the members decides the question. Yet we do not find any unnecessary delay arising therefrom, and even if there did, it were better to submit to the boredom of a stupid speech than remove from the House one of its distinctive characteristics. We therefore favor the repeal of the present rule, and the substitution in its place of one that will prevent inordinate debate, but will not act as a gag law. Thus, for instance, the previous question should not be moved on the same day on which a motion comes up for consideration, that is to say, allow a day to the debate on any important topic. This is little

on the present law, where five minutes is

that, too, as though a concession was being asked and allowed. The right of free speech is guaranteed to every private citizen, yet how much more important that it should be sacredly preserved to public servants! We hope this matter will receive the early attention of the House. It is a measure which will tenefit not only the dominant, but also the opposition party, and prevent all dangerous and crude legislation in our beloved nation.

#### RELIGIOUS NOTICES.

below Warrut, will be open for divine service, as usual, to morrow evening, at 7% o'clock Sermon by Rev. C. M. BUTLER. D. D. Residents is the neighborhood, and especially young men, are o'r dially invited.

THE EIGHTH OF THE SERIES OF and Clergy of the Protestant Episcopal Church, will be delivered by the Rev. B. WAISON, D. D., a SAINT STEPHEN'S CHURCH, TENTH Birestelow Market, on Sunday Evening next at 75 o'cook. The seats in the middle sisie will be reserved for students.

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JOHN MOSS. Sec'y.

OFFICE OF THE SHAMOKIN-COAL COMPANY, No. 226 WALNUT Street, Phila-delphia, Droember 27, 1967.

The Assual Meeting of the Stockholders of the Shamokis Coal Company will be held at the Office of the Comiany, No. 226 WALNUT Street, on WEINESDAY, January 15, 1868, at 10 o'clock A. M., when an election will be held for Seven Directors to nerve for the ensuing year. C. R. LINDSAY, Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE DELAWARE MU-TUAL SAFETY INSURANCE COMPANY. PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 20 1867. The Annual Election for Twenty eight Directors will be he'd at this office, on MONDAY, the sixth day of January next, between the bours of 10 A. M. and? P. M. [12 28 t]6 ] HENRY LYLBURN, Secretary. NEW YORK AND MIDDLE COAL FIELD RAILBOAD AND COAL COM

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