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MUST CARRY GOOD WATCHES Railroad Men Are Compelled to Use

Accurate Timepieces. It may be news to many that the watch of the railroad man is as necessary in modern railroading as the air brake. Without accurate timekeeping there would probably be more side tracks it for a period of varying the left comes awkwardly to him. length; the watch of the conductor on the side tracked train must agree with the watch of the conductor on the express to which he had to give way; each station master along the road checks the time of every train that

stops or flies past.

ment among all these railroad men usually called "working the ramp." there must obviously be not only timepieces, but accurate timepieces. There to tip a man's hat over, as though acmust also be some means of inspecting the timepieces to see if they are to set it right. Instead they should go accurate and if they agree with some standard. The railroad man is therefore compelled to buy not simply an a crowd make sure your money pocket ordinary watch of reasonable value, is safe before troubling about the hat. but a particularly good watch, a time- if you are quick enough you may piece which is adjusted to heat, cold and at least three positions. These three positions are pendant up, as almost as delicate and sensitive as carried in the pocket; dial up and dial those of a skilled planist. To become down. Such an instrument will not an expert demands long practice. But vary more than thirty seconds a week, the expert could with or without the which is a good deal more accurate shelter of a newspaper go through, one than many scientific instruments of by one, every one of a man's twelve precision used in laboratories. Even or sixteen pockets except that one inhuman proneness to error is consid- side the waistcoat if he knew it to be ered in this matter of choosing a good worth his while. Three years ago a railroad watch, for a lever set watch man was sentenced for training young is preferred to the pendant set watch pickpockets. He used clothes dumbecause there is just the chance that mies with bells so arranged that they the stem of the pendant set may not rang when the picking was clumsily be pushed back after setting through done.-Exchange.

an oversight. On one great line about 5,000 watches, worth on an average of \$25 apiece (a low average), are used. If we take into consideration the number of watches that are used on other roads throughout the country it is evident that the value must run up into hundreds of thousands of dollars.

In order that the watch may be kept up to a regular standard it must be inspected regularly. There is not only a general time inspector on most railroads, but a staff of local inspectors who are placed along the road at convenient points and to whom the men may resort when they wish to compare their time with the standard time at that place. Once every two weeks the railroad man submits his watch to such an inspector, usually a jeweler or watchmaker by profession.

The inspector gives his expert opinion on the condition of the timepiece. If it needs cleaning he says so and oes it: if it is fast or si lates it, and not until it is running with sufficient accuracy is it allowed to escape from his care. A watch's record is kept as if it were a thief. So far as repairing goes, the railroad man is under no compulsion. He need not hand over his watch to any particular watchmaker or inspector for repair. but he can give it to any watchmaker in whom he has confidence. It must, however, be submitted to the inspector before it can be used in actual

That no favoritism is shown in the matter of watches is evident in the fact that no less than eight different manufacturers supply railroad watches.-Scientific American.

Making the Chances Even.

In days when tavern brawls in England were frequent and swords were out on the slightest provocation common fairness demanded that the biades of chance combatants should be of equal length. In a sudden affray there would be no thought of measuring swords, so the authorities took the matter into their own hands at the gates of the city of London, where every gallant was liable to be challenged, and if the public official found any blade beyond thirty-six inches the smith stood by to snap off the steel to the required length. In Queen Elizabeth's reign this was the common practice.

A Sixtus V. Salad. When Pope Sixtus V. was an obscure monk he had a great friend in a certain lawyer who sank steadily into poverty while the monk rose to the papacy. The poor lawyer journeyed to Rome to seek aid from his old friend, the pope, but he fell sick and told his doctor to let the pope know. of his sad state. "I will send him a salad." said Sixtus and duly dispatched a basket of lettuce to the invalid. Ma. don't you remember we saw Mrs. When the lettuce was examined money was found in the hearts; hence let's hurry away from here. That old the Italian proverb of a man in need cat must be somewhere near." What of money, "He wants one of Sixtus old cat did you mean, ma? V.'s salads."

Jam For Breakfast. People who like to eat pastry or other irregular dishes for breakfast should be consoled to learn that no less a man than Herbert Spencer ate strawberry jam at his Morning meal. home his wife raises a row, while it He did it to avoid monotony, believing he is gone two years she will give him that digestion was best served by a royal welcome. Women are peculthat digestion was best served by keeping the stomach entertained with variety. He is said to have told of a man who went into a decline from a too steady diet of mutton chops.

A Gilded Fad. "Yes, papa is going to buy me a bat-"Good gracious! I beg your pardon,

"I want to use its deck for a dancing party."-Cleveland Plain Dealer.

FOILING THE PICKPOCKET ..

What to Do When Your Hat Is Tipped

Over Your Eyes In a Crowd. For a man there is only one really safe pocket, and that is a pocket which few men except experienced race goers have their suits supplied with. It is a breast pocket inside the waistcoat, and it should have a buttoned flap, for without the button even

this hiding place is unsafe. The second best place for carrying money is the trousers pocket, especially if the owner is rather stout. And the accidents than if there were no air left hand pocket is better than the brakes. The train dispatcher starts a right. A skillful thief standing betrain at a certain time; he halts it at hind you may insinuate his right hand certain stations at certain times; he into your right hand pocket easily, but

For safety's sake the pickpocket seldom works single handed. He usually works with a couple of "screens," who plant themselves in front of the intended victim. If the "job" is a difficult one they carefully jostle him at the critical moment in order to dis-In order that there may be agree- tract his attention. This jostling is

A favorite trick in a dense crowd is eidentally. His hands naturally fly up straight to the watch and the money pocket. If your hat is knocked off in

catch a hand there. The trained pickpocket's fingers are

JUST A LITTLE GIFT.

The Present an Economical Duchess Made to Her Rich Friend.

Recently when the wealthy Mile. de It. was to be married one of our good duchesses had to make her a present, just a little present. The duchess thought it would be useless to expend much money for a person so rich. She thought if she would look through her vast mansion she would be able to find something, some trinket, to which the addition of her card would give sufficient glory. She finally found in her writing desk an insignificant cameo that she had once worn.

The following day she received from her young friend a letter of enthusiastic thanks: "Oh, you have been very foolish! This is too, too beautiful,"

"She is making sport of my little present," thought the good duchess. Then came a second letter, this time from the husband who was to be: "How can we thank you? We are delighted! This will spoil us."

"The impertinent fellow!" said the duchess. "He wants me to understand that I have been niggardly."

Nevertheless she went to pay a visit to the R.'s before the marriage. There, in the midst of her presents, exposed in a most prominent place, she saw the little cameo placed upon her card. An old gentleman approached her. He is a member of the Academy of Inscriptions and Belles Lettres.

"What a wonderful present you have given these children. Mme. la Duchess," he said. "For forty years we have been seeking for this very cameo. It is of the era of Trajan, and this trinket is valued at 200,000 francs.'

Ah, the poor duchess!-Coi de Paris.

A Novel Fine. An Englishwoman in the Rivera stepped on the footboard of a train, intending to enter the carriage, but found the door locked. The train started suddenly and she recognized that she would have to travel on the footboard until the next station was reached. A man who saw her plight crept backward on the footboards, stepping from carriage to carriage with some peril and supported her with his arm until the next station was reached, half an hour later. The woman was fined several francs for "illegally traveling outside the train." The rescuer disappeared without leaving name or address.

Earning a Spanking.

Mrs. Brown-I was downtown yesterday. I didn't know but I might meet you. Mrs. Greene-I was downtown, too, and I'm awfully sorry I didn't see you. Little Johnny Green Brown's dog and you said: "Come,

"I do not understand it." said the

"What is bothering you now?" inquired the other. "If a man is two hours late arriving iar."-Pearson's Weekly.

Very Particular.
"Mayme is a crank on having things harmonize, isn't she?"

"Yes, to such an extent that she won't use rats because she has mor colored hair."-Baltimore American.

Glory, ambition, armies, fleets, thrones, crowns-playthings of grown children-Victor Hugo.

THE KING'S CHAMPION.

Vestminster Hall, Where His Chal-

lenge Used to Be Uttered. Westminster hall, in London, was built originally by King William Rufus (1056-1100) and tradition goes that the oak of its ceilings was brought from the forest of Shillelagh, in Ireland, timber which possessed peculiar properties rendering it hateful to spiders and their webs. Richard II. transformed the hall. Leaving the old wails standing, he buttressed them strongly and raised over them the magnificent roof of oak which is still extant and intact. It is ninety-two feet kigh. The length of the hall is 290 feet, its breadth sixty-eight feet. It was large enough for mounted men to enter in order to challenge any who would dispute the rights of the king. a ceremony that is quaintly described as follows on the occasion of the coronation of Richard III. and Queen Anne

"In the afternoone the King and Queene entered the hall, and the King sate in the midle, and ye Queene on ye left side of the table, and on every side of her stoode a Countesse, holding a cloth of Pleasance when she listed for to drink. And on the right hand of ye King sate ye Archbishop of Canterbury. The ladyes sate all on one side in ye midle of the hall, and at the table against them sate the Chancellor and all the Lords. And at wife told Jones. the table next the cupboard sate ye Mayor of London. * * * At the sec- he complained. and course came into ye hall Sr. Robert Dimmock, the King's Champion, making Proclamacion that whoever would say that King Richard was not lawfull King, he would fight with him at the utterance, and threw down his gauntlett, and then all the hall cryed King Richard.

"And then one brought him a cupp of wine covered, and when he had drunk he cast out the drinke and departed with the cupp. * * * At the end of the dinner the Mayor of London served the King and Queene with sweete wine, and had of each of them a cupp of gold and a cover of gold. And by that time that all was done, it turned to his chamber, and every man to his lodging."

scene of the challenge of the king's ceipt of stamps to pay expense of mail-champion was at the coronation of the paper-bound book, or 31 stamps for the paper-bound book, or 31 stamps for George IV.

Bell With the Wail of a Child. A queerly shaped gong which occupies a position of honor in the center of the city of Seoul, Korea, is said to be one of the largest in the world and is called "the bell with the wail of a child in its voice." When first cast the bell sounded with a harsh and cracked note, and the superstitious emperor, fearing an ill omen, consulted with his magicians. These gentlemen held a long confab and finally stated

that the bell would never sound right until a live child was given to it. The mass was then melted again, and a live baby was thrown into the molten metal. The wail of agony uttered by the little tot as the bronze engulfed it seemed to be repeated every time the bell was tolled, and today the Koreans still claim that the wail of a child can be heard in the voice of the

But She Wasn't Satisfied. Lady Jekyll, who was fond of puzling berself and others with such questions as had been common enough a generation before her. in the days of the "Athenian Oracle," asked William Whiston of berimed name and eccentric memory, one day at her husband's

of the creation. "Since it pleased God, sir," she said. "to create the woman out of the man. why did he form her out of the rib

table, to resolve a difficulty which oc-

curred to her in the Mosaic account

rather than any other part?" Whiston scratched his head and answered: "Indeed, madam, I do not know, unless it be that the rib is the most crooked part of the body."

"There." her husband said. "you have it now! I hope you are satisfied." -Southey's Doctor.

The Retort Sarcastic. "That new family next door borrowed our ax again this morning." his

"Well, why did you lend it to them," "How could I help it?"

"You might have given them some kind of an excuse." Mrs. Jones waxed sarcastic.

"Yes," she snapped, "I might have told them that you were going to use it-or some other crazy, impossible thing."-Youngstown Telegram.

An Explanation. "So you have been married! Did your husband die, or what?" "The latter."-Chicago Record-Her-

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