

RAILROADING IN THE ALPS.

New Line which winds Among Big Glaciers.

A new mountain railway is being built in the Carinthian Alps from Telligenblut, the highest village in the Austrian Alps, to the mountain house in the Grossglockner. The road, which is but four and a half miles long, has to ascend fully 2725 feet from end to end. As this height is divided variously among the different parts of the road, the grade varies from 40 feet per 1000 to 29 feet per 100. The motor system adopted for the railroad is, therefore, a combined toothrack and simple electric surface railway. Wherever the grade allows of it, the cog wheel is not set to work, and the transition from one system to the other is made automatically. The power used is generated by water.

There are no engineering difficulties to surmount. There are but two bridges of stone masonry, and what tunnels there are could be easily blasted out of the rock with the modern implements. The material obtained from tunneling is being used in building galleries of stone masonry on those slopes where stone falls and avalanches are known to occur annually. The entire length of the tunnels on this road will not exceed 325 feet. The road to the Glockner House will be ready for the opening of this season about June 7, and will probably remain in operation until the middle of November. For the coming year it is proposed to extend the line from the Glockner House to the Alpine hut of Archduke John, which is situated at a height of 11,250 feet, on a peak known as Adlersruhe (Eagle's Rest). The road would lead to a point 400 feet below the hut. The ascension to the terminus would have to be made either through a shaft or over stairs provided on the outside of the cliff for the purpose. From the Archduke John's hut to the peak of the Grossglockner, which is 12,350 feet above the sea level, it will take a tourist but an hour and a half of climbing, although the peak towers about 100 feet above that of the Adlersruhe. Alpine tourists are hailing with delight the innovation which will enable them even this year to make an ascension of the Grossglockner inside of one day and night, while heretofore it took them at least two days and three nights to perform this feat.

"LEAR" UP-TO-DATE.

Here is a Story That Points a Whole-some Moral.

A well-known attorney, says the Washington Post, told a good story the other day about a man who had such a profound contempt for wills that he followed the example of King Lear, and divided his property among his children before death. Like unto Lear's children, when they had thus been duly provided for against material needs, they gradually betrayed the fact by their actions that the old man was no longer as much to be loved and obeyed as before he had disposed of his goods and chattels. He found difficulty in securing a really comfortable place to sleep under the roof of any of his offspring, and the ill-treatment with which he was eventually accorded, would have shortened his life had he not as a last resort consulted a wise legal friend. Said the latter, for he trusted the old man implicitly:

"Give me a receipt for this gold which I have here," taking a bag from the safe, "and I will let you take it a few days. Go home, be apparently mysterious and secretive in your actions, and when you think you have sufficiently aroused the curiosity of your children, at whose house you are now staying, manage to count out the gold on the table in your room, making it seem as much as possible, and at a time when you are sure you are watched."

This advice the old man accepted. There was more than once some one at the keyhole, when he counted his pretended hoard of gold coin, and it was not long before a marked change came over the manner of his children. Those who had seen and heard could not keep it from the rest, and as a result nothing was too good for the old gentleman. When he was convinced that he had made the impression desired, he returned the gold to the old lawyer, and thereafter lived without want. When he died the strong box, which he had kept locked with a great show of secrecy, was opened. There was nothing in it but a hatchet, and a slip of paper, which read:

"He who would give away his property before he is dead, would do better to take this hatchet and cut off his head."

Geo. K. Wells, of Pottsville, special agent of the department of agriculture, has advised dairy commissioner Wells that large quantities of horse meat is being sold for corned beef in the mining towns of Schuylkill county. Major Wells will investigate the matter with a view of prosecuting the dealers under the pure food laws. He is also securing evidence against dealers of putrid butter.

RHEUMATISM FROM ARMY LIFE.

One Case from the Third N. Y. Cavalry and one from the 5th Michigan Cavalry.

There are Five Hundred Thousand Veterans Still Living and a Great Many have This Affliction.

From the News, Muskegon, Mich. Lieut. Chas. M. Pauser, a carpenter and fruit grower, has lived in Ottawa County, Michigan, for thirty years, and in Bass River eleven years past. He served in the war of the Rebellion in Company B, Third New York Cavalry, and was a good soldier. He was found by the Morning News reporter engaged in building a house a short distance from Bass River. He left his work in response to an inquiry in reference to Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, said: "About four years ago I contracted rheumatism, how, I do not know. I would get through my work during the day and go home, and before midnight I would be almost wild with pain. I was restless nights, and the only way I got any sleep was by taking laudanum or some other opiate. A year ago this fall I was almost helpless, and in the winter I became entirely so. I had to be helped up and down in a chair, and could not get to bed alone. Through the hips and back I was paralyzed, or felt as if I was. I had no feeling in that region of the body. The pain in my feet was so great that I could hardly step on them. I was what you would call completely used up. My usual weight was about 160 pounds, and I had lost flesh until I weighed only about 120 pounds. I had been doctoring and using all kinds of medicines, but they did me no good. The doctors told me I could not be cured, and that I would in time be all drawn up. I was completely discouraged. "Last March I heard of a number of persons being helped by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, and I thought I would try them as a last resort. I did not have any faith that they would do me any good, but I procured a box of A. J. White, the druggist, and, taking them for three days, I began to feel better. The first improvement I noticed was in my feet. I could step better and with a great deal less pain. By the time I had finished the third box I could walk natural and without pain. Previous to that it had taken me twenty minutes to walk sixty rods. By the time I had finished using the first box the numbness in my back and hips had entirely gone, and by the time I had used the fourth box my rheumatism had practically disappeared. I have recommended the pills to all my afflicted friends, and they have seen benefit. I gladly recommend them to all persons afflicted as I was."

To confirm the above statement Mr. Pauser made oath as follows: Chas. M. Pauser, of Allendale township, Ottawa County, Michigan, being by me duly sworn, deposes that the foregoing statement, made by him this 11th day of October, A. D., 1895, is true.

HENRY G. WANTY, Notary Public, Muskegon Co., Michigan.

J. Molyneux is a man sixty-six years of age and has lived near Bass River for twenty-five years. He is one of the substantial farmers of Ottawa County, and when seen by the reporter had just finished digging potatoes. He said: "I have had rheumatism for about forty years. My left leg was paralyzed, or felt that it was, and I had severe pains in the back. I could scarcely do any work on the farm. Last winter I began taking Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, and after I had taken four boxes the pain in my back was entirely gone, and my leg was a great deal better. I have been better this summer than I have been in ten years, and I have done more work on the farm than I have before for ten years. I have recommended the medicine to other people afflicted with the rheumatism."

A. J. White, the druggist and keeper of the general store at Bass River, said, in the reporter that he knew Mr. Molyneux, and several others had been greatly helped by taking Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, and that the testimony given was true.

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Contracted in the War.

A SUBJECT OF INTEREST TO SOLDIERS.

H. B. Knowlton, Fifth Michigan Cavalry, Tells of the Effects of Army Life.

From the News, Muskegon, Mich. There are few pleasanter drives in this part of the country than the one along the South Grand river road, running between Grand Haven and Bass River, a little hamlet about fourteen miles from the capital of Ottawa County. And especially is that so in these October days, when the rich autumnal colors are beginning to give radiance to the woodlands along the route. On the eleventh of this month a representative of the Morning News took this trip to interview a certain Mr. H. B. Knowlton, a farmer living about a mile away, about his cure from rheumatism.

Mr. Knowlton is a man fifty-one years of age, and served three years in the war, being a member of Company F, Fifth Michigan Cavalry. He has lived in Allendale, Ottawa County, Mich., since the rebellion, and is one of the substantial farmers of the county, his farm, which contains one hundred and eighty-five acres, being a valuable property. He was working in the field when approached by the reporter, but kindly invited him into his handsome brick house, and when asked about the benefits he had received from taking Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, said: "I was in the army for three years, and it was while there I contracted the rheumatism. After coming out I was lame and sore a good deal of the time, but was not sick enough to go to bed. At first I was not very bad, but as time went on I became worse. About a year ago I was so bad that I had to give up my work on the farm. I had doctored with doctors and taken a great deal of medicine, and had become kind of discouraged. Nothing seemed to help me, and finally I went to the drug store of A. J. White and asked him if he had anything to kill or cure me. He said he had Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, and he thought if I would take them they would help me. I purchased a box and before taking all of them I felt better, and I knew they had helped me. I continued taking the pills, and for the past three months I have not felt the rheumatism. I would advise any one who has the rheumatism to try the Pink Pills, and I am confident they will help them."

H. B. Knowlton, of Allendale, Ottawa County, Michigan, being by me duly sworn, deposes that the facts set forth in the foregoing statement, made by him this 11th day of October, A. D., 1895, are true.

HENRY G. WANTY, Notary Public, Muskegon Co., Michigan.

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are an unfailing specific for such diseases as locomotor ataxia, partial paralysis, St. Vitus' dance, sciatica, neuralgia, rheumatism, nervous headache, the after effect of the grippe, palpitation of the heart, pale and sallow complexion, that tired feeling resulting from nervous prostration, all diseases resulting from vitiated humors in the blood, such as scrofula, chronic erysipelas, etc. They are also a specific for troubles peculiar to females, such as suppressions, irregularities and all forms of weakness. In men they effect a radical cure to all cases arising from mental worry, overwork or excesses of whatever nature.

These pills are manufactured by the Dr. Williams' Medicine Company, Schenectady, N. Y., and are sold only in boxes bearing the firm's trade-mark and wrapper at 50 cents a box or six boxes for \$2.50, and are never sold in bulk. They may be had of all druggists.

BENCH AND BAR. The Two Combined in a Unique Texas Caravansary.

There are only half a dozen houses in Langtry, Tex., and one of them is a combination "beer and law shop," presided over by Judge Roy Bean, who is the most autocratic and most original judge in all Texas. As the name of the town is Langtry, the judge, who reads the papers, has quite appropriately named his place the "Jersey Lily." His business sign bears these words: "Ice Cold Beer and Law West of the Pecos." The Pecos river is the eastern boundary of the judges circuit, which embraces 500 miles of widest Texas. He was made judge—probably self-appointed—when he was a young man, and he is about 65 years old now. Nobody would dream of holding an election for the position. Judge Beans method of dispensing law is not the sort one reads of in books. Once, when a Texan pleaded guilty before him of killing a Chinaman, the judge said: "There ain't any law in Texas agin killin' a Chinaman. Prisoners discharged." On another occasion a man was brought before him for stealing a cow valued at about four dollars. "Well," said the judge, "you'll pay \$250 fine or hang." The prisoner protested that the cow was only worth a few dollars. "Shut up!" yelled the judge. "Come up with \$250 or you hang." The prisoner came up.—Phila. Record.

When your stomach begins to trouble you, it needs help. The help it needs, is to digest your food, and, until it gets it, you won't have any peace. Stomach trouble is very distressing, very obstinate, very dangerous. Many of the most dangerous diseases begin with simple indigestion. The reason is that indigestion (not-digestion, not-nourishment) weakens the system and allows disease germs to attack it. The antidote is Shaker Digestive Cordial, strengthening, nourishing, curative. It cures indigestion and renews strength and health. It does this by strengthening the stomach, by helping it to digest your food. It nourishes you. Shaker Digestive Cordial is made of pure herbs, plants and wine, is perfectly harmless and will certainly cure all genuine stomach trouble. Sold by druggists, price 10 cents to \$1.00 per bottle.

CONDITION OF WINTER WHEAT.

May Returns of the Department of Agriculture.

The May returns of the statistical division of the Department of Agriculture on the condition of winter wheat show an increase of 5.6 per cent. above the April average, being 82.7 against 77.1 last month, and 82.9 in May, 1895.

The averages in nine principal winter wheat states are: Pennsylvania 64, Ohio 55, Michigan 90, Indiana 85, Kentucky 77, Illinois 90, Missouri 81, Kansas 96, California 100.

The returns of the correspondents of the division of statistics show that excepting a few states there has been general improvement in the condition of winter wheat throughout the country.

In Maryland, New York, Pennsylvania and Oklahoma, the condition of winter wheat was not so promising.

The condition of winter rye on May 1 was 87.7 per cent. of barley 89.2; spring pasture, 93.2; meadows 91.8.

Printed Signs.

The following cards signs are kept on hand at this office: "Keep off the Grass," This property for rent, Inquire of—, "For Sale," Any card sign printed to order on short notice. tf.

GRAVEL CURED Philadelphia, Pa.

A healthier, heartier, happier man than John J. Neill, of 3560 Turner St., Philadelphia, could not be found in a day's search. The fact that he is still alive is a constant wonder to his friends.

In the fall of 1889 he began to suffer in describable misery from stone in the bladder. Consulting an eminent physician in Philadelphia, he was told that a surgical operation was necessary. So much did he dread the result, for if unsuccessful it meant death, that he put off the evil day as long as possible. While in this frame of mind, he heard of

DR. DAVID KENNEDY'S FAVORITE REMEDY

Although disheartened, on July 1, 1893, he bought a bottle of it, and within a month had experienced beneficial results, and before he had finished the third bottle, the gravel was completely dissolved and his sufferings at an end.

Mr. Neill feels that he owes a lasting debt of gratitude to Dr. Kennedy's Favorite Remedy and for disorders of the bladder and urinary organs, says "it will effect a cure if one is possible."

Favorite Remedy is prescribed with un-failing success for rheumatism, dyspepsia and nerve troubles in which it has cured many that were considered beyond the aid of medicine. All druggists, \$1.



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Edward B. Harper, Founder. Frederick A. Burnham, President.

FIFTEEN YEARS COMPLETED—

—ANNUAL MEETING AND REPORT.

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\$69,000,000 of New Business in 1895. \$308,660,000 of Business in Force. \$1,084,075 of Death Claims paid in 1895. \$25,000,000 of Death Claims paid since business begun. 1895 SHOWS—AN INCREASE IN GROSS ASSETS, AN INCREASE IN NET SURPLUS, AN INCREASE IN INCOME, AN INCREASE IN BUSINESS IN FORCE, OVER 105,800 MEMBERS INTERESTED.

The Annual Meeting of the Mutual Reserve Fund Life Association was held in the Association's Building, corner Broadway & Duane St., New York City, on Wednesday, January 22nd, and was attended by a large and representative gathering of policy holders who listened with keen interest to the masterly Annual Report of President Burnham.

Many policy holders evidently regarded this as a favorable opportunity to meet face to face the new chief executive officer of the Association, President Frederick A. Burnham, the man whose grasp of life insurance, whose keen executive ability and strong individuality have enabled him to take up the work laid down in death by the founder of the institution, the late Edward B. Harper, and make of the administration of his office of President, not an echo or copy of that of his predecessor, but a piece of finished work, characteristic of a man of independent views, and worthy to follow the work which had carried the Association to a position never attained in the same length of time by any life insurance organization in the world. It is rare, indeed, that a great institution like this passes, without check to its prosperity, through a change in the executive chief, for it is rare indeed that a chief like the late Mr. Harper finds so able a successor as President Burnham.

The record of the year 1895 speaks for itself, and shows the following gratifying results.

The GROSS ASSETS have increased during the year from \$5,536,115.99 to \$5,661,707.82.

The NET SURPLUS over liabilities shows a NET GAIN for the year of \$306,329.43, and now amounts to \$3,582,509.32.

The INCOME from all sources shows a gain for the year of \$631,541.97, and amounts to \$5,575,281.56.

DEATH CLAIMS to the amount of \$4,084,074.92 were paid during the year, an increase over the previous year of \$1,013,560.91.

The BUSINESS IN FORCE shows a gain for the year of \$15,293,265, and now amounts to \$308,659,371.

Counting three hundred working days in the year the daily average income for 1895 is \$18,584.27; the daily average payments for death claims, \$13,652.25, and the daily average gain in business in force within a fraction of \$51,000.

Persons desiring insurance, an agency, or any other information concerning the MUTUAL RESERVE FUND LIFE ASSOCIATION may apply to

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