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Oh! my little bird, my Agnes, with your silver sounding notes, And your song that tells a story sad and

sweet: Now your voice is rising softly, and I listen as it floats With the wind that stirs the ripples at your feet.

There is something in the cadence that the words have never told. When by other lips and other voices sung; And the strain is new in power, though the

song itself is old, When it gathers life and sweetness from your tongue.

the sadness and the tenderness find echo in your heart : And I've heard that hidden sorrow speaks in song,

Making voices sympathetie, in the unison That is tender while it teaches to be strong. Oh! I long to draw your forehead closer,

closer, for the cloud That is resting there, and brush away the waves That in brown profusion merge it, like a floating lily bowed,

"Til caressingly the limpid water laves. All its snowy petals. Agnes, bend your that there was an express invitation, and lily forehead low : to speak of an implied invitation has put Let the snowy tresses o'er the temples

Then my hands will part them softly, as the with it already. gentle zephyrs blow All the waters back, the lily cups to lift For I too have tasted sorrow, and in silence

suffered much, And have learned the art of comforting I have sympathy for others, having missed

its gentle touch When my heart was weak and faint enough

That is past! But I am talking as if Agues heard me now : Yet I've spoken what I meant her not to hear: And she only heeds the singing of the

thrushes on the bough That is dipping in the sunlit water near, They have taken up the ballad where she

left it off. I think. But her thrushes have no need of earthly words. Oh! I think our God has given, as a last

connecting link, Twixt the earth and sky, the voices of the

my little bird, my Agnes, you are nearer sky than carth : Since you lead me oft to turn from earth

As promised last week, we subjoin the

points presented by Plaintiff's counsel,

and their negation by the Court, in the

Railroad Company. These points em-

brace the views taken by the counsel for

Plaintiffs, and are presented as part of

We now, gentlemen, take up the points

submitted by the counsel for the Plaintiff.

use its property as not to endanger the

life or limb of third parties, and where

Second, That if defendant permitted

This, gentlemen, would be true in re-

gard to any injury that they might do.

For example, had it obstructed any public

crossing, and injured any one upon it, the

Pennsylvania Railroad Company would

be as much responsible as if they had not

surrendered the train to the management

of another or others; and in any instance

in which they might be chargable with

negligence, resulting in injury, equally so

Third, That if they believed the struc-

We refuse to answer this point as re-

case they were not bound to furnish such

a one. If they were not bound to furnish point.

if it occurred by a special train.

he has sustained.

third parties to use its road by running a

ble to damages for such negligence.

Jury as follows:

Tenth, That if the Jury believe that And your voice's mournful sweetness may be better than its mirth. If my heart is raised to better things LINNET. The Johnstown Disaster. THE GREAT RAIL ROAD CASE.

new ones, he laid new two inch plank dict. over the rotten timber, thereby weakening it, and making it as it were a trap or pitfall for the public, by leading them to beof people could break down, the defendcase of David Gillis vs, Pennsylvania ant is guilty of gross negligence.

point as requested, as a proposition applicable to the present inquiry at issue.

Eleventh, That if the Jury believe that the running of the train as far Eastward was calculated to bring the crowd on that part of the rotten structure that covered The Court is requested to instruct the the chasm or vacuum over the bed ef the oid canal, it was gross negligence if they First, That the defendant, in the exercise believe that portion of the platform was of its corporate franchise, is bound so to rotten and dangerous.

We refuse, also, to affirm this point. Twelfth, That if the Jury believe the for the President and suite to stop at As a general proposition, we affirm this Johnstown, to see and converse with the people at that place, and that they had reason to anticipate a large multitude of people to meet him there on that occasion, special train over it, the same liability it was their duty to stop their train at the would arise from the injury to third per- most secure and safe place adjacent to sons as if the train had been run by its said Station for such purpose, and if they did not do so they were guilty of gross

We refuse to affirm this point as a proposition applicable to this case, or controling its result.

Thirteenth, The Court is requested to instruct the Jury that negligence on the part of the defendant is purely matter of fact, and exclusively for them.

What is negligence may often be, and most generally is, a question of law. Whether the facts in any given case prove negligence, is generally, but not always, ture was insufficient to support the plata question of facts for the Jury. When

affiirm this proposition.

Fourteenth, That if they believe the AMES C. E.Y. ATTORNEYquested. It seems to us that the Company was not bound to furnish a platform
sufficiently strong to bear the crowd then
attended to.

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quested. It seems to us that the Company was not bound to furnish a platform
sufficiently strong to bear the crowd then
upon it. We have instructed you that
tribute, then they should find for the

on the 14th September, 1866, broke down Fourth, That if they are satisfied there and injured the plaintiff and others, fell was negligence on the part of the defendthrough any defect in its original plan, ant, the question of concurring negligence or defect in its parts at the time, that on the part of David Gillis is entirely for would be such negligence on the part of the Company, as would entitle the plain-

We answer this in the negative. We refuse to answer this point as a

Sixteenth, That the defendant is a corproposition bearing on this case. poration created by law for the transpor-Fifth, That it is the duty of the defendtation of freight and passengers; that, as ant to know the capacity and condition incidental thereto, it is required by the law of its own structures, and its ignorance to keep and maintain freight and passenupon this subject would not relieve it from ger depots, platforms, &c., for the accomliability to a party injured upon the modation of the public, along its line and grounds of negligence. road; and,

We say to that, gentlemen, that if the Seventeenth, That any injury to one party is liable for negligence, their ignoso being and standing upon the platform rance would not excuse them where there of such Station House, by the Company, is liability. . is such negligence as in view of public Sixth, That the duty of the defendants to provide safe and sufficient platforms is not limited to the ordinary business of the the plaintiff.

road, but must be equal to any occasions That, gentlemen, would depend upon unsoundness, that may occur. circumstances, such as who the claimant We refuse to answer that point as re-Seventh, That if the Company gave

this case we answer it in the negative. either an express or implied invitation to Eighteenth, That it was the legal duty the public to meet the President at their Station at Johnstown, it was their duty form in question as that it would not apply to the Court for an attachment. journey which, if the remarkable difficulto make the platform sufficiently strong | break and fall from under any such num- There was no such application made here, | ties of the route are considered, must be to support and protect them from any ac- ber of persons as its surface and general and we heard nothing of this subportal pronounced still more wonderful. On cident over which they had control, whilst We refuse, gentlemen, to answer this point as requested. There is no evidence

> entitle the plaintiff to their verdict. We refuse, gentlemen, to affirm this unswer this point as requested.

the question just where we have deals point. Eighth, That if large crowds of people duty of the Company to construct but to nia R. R. Co, the defendants in the case, path through trackless forests, and swim were permitted for several years to assem- keep and maintain its platform at this knew, or might have known, the purpose and ford rivers, with only a compass and ble on that platferm, and it was suffered most public and important Station in such or purposes for which the President stop- his seaman's knowledge to guide him. to remain exposed to the weather for over complete and perfect condition as safely ped at Johnstown on September 14th, Sometimes he was obliged to swim across six years without repairs, although the to support all such numbers of persons as 1866, and that from such knowledge, or rivers two or three times in a few hours, Chief Engineer of the Company had been | could stand thereon, and if the Jury be- | what they might have known by reasona- | so that he was obliged to go the whole notified as far back as the year 1862 of lieve it was not so kept and maintained, ble foresight and diligence, there was read ay in wet clothes; entirley ignorand of its insecure and unsafe condition at that but broke down and injured the plaintiff, son to anticipate a large multitude of peos the Slavonic, Magyar or Turkish dialects, time, it was gross negligence to permit a then that is such negligence as would en- ple to meet, see and hear the President, he was unabled to make inquiries about multitude of people to assemble on it af- title the plaintiff to recover.

terwards, and especially on the occasion We answer this in the negative.

quested, as the controlling propositions in their Station houses and platforms in the similar circumstances, to provide against territory he was detained three days by most convenient places for themselves, any accident, and espacially the accident the l'asha of Jamma. Making allowance Ninth, That if evidence satisfies the but also consult the convenience and safe- which did occur at said place; and that for these three days, he accomplished the Jury that an unexperienced and incompes ty of the public, and that if the Jury be- is a question for a jury. tent carpenter was instructed with the duty | lieve that such convenience and safety | of examining this platform as to the re- was not fairly met in the erection of the tive. It will be perceived, gentlemen, in consideration of the extraordinary difpairs required, and that this examination Station house and platform in question, that many of these points, as abstract ficulties of the route is a greater feat than was made carelessly and negligently, it then that was such negligence on part of propositions, are correct, but as we do not the walk from Paris to Moscow. But was gross negligence if the Company had | the Company as entitles the plaintiff to

notice of the purpose for which the Presi- | your verdict. We refuse, also, to answer this point as Twentieth, That Rail Road Companies

requested, as a proposition bearing in the are not only bound to erect and construct their station houses and platforms in the most convenient places for themselves, but the carpenter entrusted with the repairs of also consult the convenience and safety of it goes to the Supreme Court the parties August. After a rest of only three days the platform, could, by careful examinas the public, and that if the Jury believe will have an opportunity of having it fi- he commenced the return journey, and tions of the structure of such platform, that such convenience and safety was not nally settled. We instruct you, now, arrived in Constantinople October 2d have had knowledge of its insecure, rot- fairly met in the erection of the Station gentlemen, to return a verdict for the do- In sixty days-making due allowance for ten and unsafe condition, notwithstanding, house and platform in question, then that fendant, in place of endeavoring to strengthen it by | was such negligence on part of the Comreplacing the old and rotten timbers with pany as entitles the plaintiff to your ver-

We answer that also in the negative. Twenty-first, That it being the duty of the Company to consider well and wisely lieve it had a strength that no multitude | the convenience and safety of the public, it became its duty to construct its platform in question, at the Johnstown Sta- for which our readers will forgive him, We refuse, gentlemen, to answer this tion, over the Canal abyss, out of such | made the remark: "At all events, Wesmaintain it, that no number of persons feat than has ever been accomplished by nor length of time cou'd break or destroy any mortal before." As a local puff, it; and that if the Jury find that this has these words need not be too carefully the plaintiff to your verdict.

already taken from you. it, and resulting in the injuries complained | Norway, 1799, first a sailor, then a pilot, of by him, could have been spanned or began his career as a pedestrian in Engsecure, that that not being done is such seventy-two English miles, in nine hours, negligence of the Company as to entitle at the rate of 100 miles in 13 hours. the plaintiff to your verdict.

made out as will entitle the plaintiff to tion of nealigence, any more than any rendered the defendant, if running it, lia- stead of fifteen days, or at an average of dear child a warm good-night kiss as it damages commensurate with the injury other question. We refuse, therefore, to ble, this result would follow; but as this 107 miles a day. And he did this with- goes to its pillow. The memory of this

not bound to give notice that it was not the Jury believe that the platform which, of said Company at the said Station as to er for a moment lost his temper, and break it down and injure the plaintiff, distinguished himself as a great scold, as that is such negligence as to entitle the did Weston, or fancied that he was some plaintiff to recover.

> Twenty-fifth, That so far as the duties presented to him in the greatest of kindand liabilities of Railroad Companies are ness must be overlooked and considered concerned, there is no such distinction on as an interesting piece of pleasantry. In ordinary or extraordinary occasions, and Ernst a mitable sense of propriety and if you find that the Company were an es- common sense kept in cheek the admirasential element in the cause without which tion which his great physical feat natuthe injury complained of could not have rally excited. It never occurred to any been inflicted, and that the plaintiff did one to bring their children to the read not negligently contribute thereto, then that he might name them, or to offer him your verdict must be for the plaintiff,

> We refuse to affirm-that point also. Twenty-six, The court are requested generals and statesmen who are deserto instruct the Jury that the fact of the ving of their country, thus degrading all serving of a subpoena duces tesum upon Mr. such ceremonials of honor. For what

was, and in what relation he stood to the about the subpoena in the case. The prop- America crazy because in 26 days (with Company. As a proposition governing or course for the party to have taken, if a three days for rest, which Ernst did not subpoens duces tocum had been served up- have,) he has walked from Portland to on a witness, and he did not appear and Chicago at the rate of 491 miles a day. of the Company so to construct the plat- bring what he was bound to do, was to In 1833 Erast accomplished a pedestrian external appearance might invite upon it; until after the plaintiff closed his case. the 6th of June he left Munich with letand that if, in fact, it be found such duty If he had applied for an attachment, I do ters from the Queen of Bayaria to her son, was not performed, then that omission not believe we would have awarded it, Otto, the then King of Greece, and on was such negligence in this case as would requiring any person to bring a car load July 1, delivered these letters at Na uplia.

regard them, singly or on the aggregate, the mighty undertaking with which We answer that, also, in the negative. | tive them all, with the qualifying remarks | tain, he accomplished in 1836. On the made as we have read and answered them | 18th of July he started from Constantinoall the questions are raised which can pos- to, with letters to a banker there, which

#### From the Illinois Staats Zeitung. Pedestrianism, --- The Most Remarkable Feat on Record.

In the report of the arrival of Weston,

the pedestrian, in this city, our local

editor, in an excess of Chicago patriotism, material and in such manner, and so to ten has performed a greater pedestrian not been so done and kept, then that in | weighted; the report may be allowed to this case was such negligence as entitles pass. But, in reality, what Weston has performed is the merest child's play and We refuse to affirm this point, the af- cannot be mentioned in comparison with firmation of which would be to give it con- that which was done by a man whose trolling application to the case we have name many of our readers will remember. for, thirty years ago, he was as well Twenty-second, That if the Jury be- known in Enrope as more recently have lieve from the evidence that the abyss into been Fanny Ellsier, the magician Bosco, which the plaintiff and others fell, on the Catalin, or, ten years later, Lizst or Jenoccasion and place in question, from the ny Lind. We mean the Norwegian Menbreaking of the wooden structure spanning sen Ernst, This man, born at Bergen, in protected by arched mason, or brick, or land at the age of twenty, walked from either work, so as to render it perfectly London to Portsmouth, a distance of The distance from London to Liverpool, We answer that point, also, in the neg- | 150 miles, he walked in 32 hours, or at the rate of 100 miles in 24 hours and Twenty-third, That if you believe that forty minutes. But these remarkable the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, performances were only an earnest of his whether with or without compensation, future pedestrian feats. According to brought upon its Road, with its motive the terms of a bet of 100,000 francsand other power, a special train of cars \$20,000, of which, in case of success, he to the Johnstown Station, with or with- was only to receive 4,000 francs-\$800 nursing her infant son, who holds a lotusout bargain to pay, on the 14th Septem- -he agreed to walk, in fifteen days, ber, 1866, and thereby injured the plaint- from Paris to Moscow. At noon on the iff without any negligence on his part, 11th of June, 1822, he started from porcelain, in the Ethnological Museum of which fact is for the Jury, then their ver- Place Vendome, Paris, and on the morns proposition stands we do not affirm it. | out being accompanied by a carriage and in the stormy years which may be in Twenty-fourth, That if the Jury find trainers, and his food and drink were not store for the little one, will be like Bethlefrom the evidence that the defendant here prepared for him beforehand at every ho- hem's star to the bewildered shepherds. (being the Pennsylvania Railroad Compa- tel on the route. On his road lay Rok- and welling up in the heart will free the ny) surrendered the management and coa- itnoond Bodrisk, which gave him untold thought : "My father ; my mother, loved upon it. We have instructed you that tribute, then they should find for the trol of the special train which bore Presi- difficulty, while, between Smolensk and me?" Lips parched with fever will become dent Johnson and a certain McMurtrie to Borodino, he had a pack of wolves for dewy again at this thrill of useful memo-We refuse, gentlemen, to affirm this Johnstown, on the 14th of September, companions, who howled around him, ries. Kiss your little child before it goes 1866, and thereby caused se large a num- though happily at a safe distance. But to sleep,

Fifteenth, That if, from the evidence, ber of persons to assemble on the platform in face of all these difficulties Ernst nevwonderful personage on whom the rude-We answer that point in the negative, ness of throwing out of the window a dog an escort of police, or to give him such a reception as is customery to give to

Given, agent of the defendant at the place dignity there can be in receptions to of accident, to produce the timbers taken | Grant or Sheridan, if they must be sharpolicy would subject the defendant to away by the Company, after the break ed by one of the genus humbug? In damages, and their verdict should be for down, and not having done so, it is their short, Mensen Ernst walked 117 miles a right to infer from such nonproduction its day for 120 days without making complete fools of sundry hundred thousand Gentlemen, we do not know anything Europeans, while Weston has made of lumber into this Court. We refuse to It was a daring undertaking-for without a guide he made his way over lofty moun-Twenty-seventh, If the Jury believe tains, t rough the deep ravines of the Nineteenth, That it was not only the from all the evidence that the Pennsylva- Illyrian Alps and the Balkan, to find his at said place and on said occasion, then the road. In Montenegro he was attacked the said defendant was guilty of gross by robbers, and saved only his letters; Twentieth, That Rail Road Companies | negligence, unless they used ordinary care, at another time be only escaped death We refuse to answer this point as re- are not only bound to erect and construct such as prudent men would use under by the use of his limbs. On Turkish journey in twenty-one days, that is an We answer this part, also, in the nega- average of eighty-five miles a day, which as controlling this case, we virtually nega- Weston's feat is as a molehill to a mounseparately. We are pleased to know that | ple at 5 o'clock in the morning for Calcutsibly be made in this case, and that when he delivered in Calcutta on the 27th of the stop in Calcutta-he traversed the mountain wilderness of Asia Minor, the deserts of Syria, the plains of Persia, the mountains and gulches of Affghanistan,

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garalieled." In comparison with Mensen Ernst, Weston is a "poor stick." ANCIENT CHINA .- A resurrection of some Oriental literature is very humiliating to our Western and nineteenth century pride, in showing how far the Chinese had gone in point of civilization when Europe was barbarian and America unknown. They were burning coal before the Christian era: they were printing A. D. 551, with black, and lithographing three centuries later. Yet another century and they were using movable types of terra cotta, porcelain, water-tight compartment, ships portraits for catching criminals-all these were known to them in those days. And it even appears that 919 years before Christ these Celestials used leather greenbacks. The Chinese had also the tradition of the Madonna and child. This symbol was the Tien-How. the Queen of Heaven, represented as bud in his hand, as a symbol of the new birth. There is a model of this group, in Copenhagen .- The Optimist.

the Himalayas-where he sometimes had

to use snow-shoes-a distance of 1,170

miles, on an average of eighty-two miles

a day. These are all facts which have

received the most perfect confirmation and

to which thousands of living witnesses in

Europe will testify. The last trial of his

strength it is very easy to bring proof of

from files of English papers of that year.

It seems to us that with such facts in

view as the above, we can well spare our

breath and ink in speaking of such a feat

as Weston's as "unprecedented" or "un-