

A TRIP BY RAIL.

FROM LANCASTER TO LITTLE ROCK. Across Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Missouri and Arkansas—scenery by the way.

That humorous writer and great traveler, Sam'l L. Clemens, who uses the pen-name of "Mark Twain," gives as a frontispiece to his "Roughing It," his dreams of the West prior to leaving "the states" for the Pacific slope.

The trip by rail through the near western states is no doubt familiar to most readers, and if in this letter we repeat some "old tale," or attempt a description of something or somebody that frequent reading has made you become acquainted with, we ask forgiveness—for it was all new.

It was 11:15 Sunday night when we put our heads out of the car window and waved good-by to friends, and took a last look-for a time—at our city.

We passed Harrisburg and arrived at Altoona without incident, and passing it we ascended the slope that leads to the horse-shoe curve of the Alleghenies.

As we go to the head of the Alleghenies, we find the Allegheny river engineering fully explained to us by Mr. Reah F. Wilson, of the Pennsylvania railroad corps.

It was indeed a grand sight to look way down in the valley, to see the streams forming and running down the mountain sides just as the streaks of returning day are lighting up the western horizon, while in the distance we see the smoke ovens in full blaze that illumine the morning sky with a red, lurid glare.

This industry of burning coke is carried on to great extent in the mountains. We pass through the tunnel, past Gallitzin to Cresson, a pretty place near the top of the mountain, where we read on its station sign that it is 101 miles to Pittsburgh.

We settle in our seat for a nap only to be wakened by the voice of the conductor: "Pittsburgh, 20 minutes for breakfast." After partaking of lunch and coffee we get on board of the P. C. & St. L. R. R. (Pan Handle) cars.

In passing through Smoky City you see nothing of interest. Now you are on the high trestle work, again through a short or long tunnel, as the case may be, and it is not until you pass over the Allegheny river's handsome iron bridge and leave Pittsburg in the rear that you once again enjoy travel of a new order.

We cross the intermediate country and stop at Wheeling junction, where the New York Island company board the train for St. Louis, whether they wish to stop in opera in a three weeks' engagement. After crossing the Ohio river, which, at this point is not as wide as the Conestoga at its average width, we come into Steubenville, Ohio.

Like Pittsburgh, it is a great manufacturing town, and clouds of black smoke hang like a pall over the place. The first glass works can be seen a rolling mass of smoke issuing from it. After leaving Steubenville we began to look around for somebody to talk to, and found in Mr. Dick Boyer, of Philadelphia, a genial companion.

He was, too, going South, and began to talk of his experiences in the "cowboy" life of the Southern "cowboy." How his story was recalled when we arrived at Indianapolis, we will show hereafter.

At noon we stop at Dennison for dinner, and reach Columbus, Ohio, at 3, where we take our supper. From this place to Indianapolis, where we arrived shortly after midnight, our journey is made more pleasant by the singing of portions of the leading operas of the day.

Mr. Henry Laurent, tenor; Miss Ed. Condon, soprano; Miss Boyd, alto; Mr. C. K. Fetterton, basso. They are of the opera company before alluded to, and besides being good singers, are agreeable companions.

We arrive at Indianapolis, and being informed that we have two hours for our train, four of us concluded to take in the place. Just as we leave the depot which is brilliantly illuminated with electric light, we hear several pistol shots. A crowd gathers and we mingle with it. In the center lies a policeman, who has just breathed his last. He was only trying to tell a "cowboy" to keep quiet, when that individual quieted him with three little pieces of lead, small but effective.

We saw the cowboy. It took four stout officers and about fifty men with maces to get him to the jail house. He was our first lesson in the dark side of western life. As we stood in that lighted depot and gazed on the features of that dead policeman we vowed a vow to never cross a cowboy.

We had gone nearly 1,000 miles and we had not seen a cow. We expected to see in our journey over large tracts of uncultivated land, but we hardly passed any half miles of that long distance in which could not be noted the mark of the agriculturist.

It is not a fine crop of grain, nor one in a new plowed field. Through Ohio each farm on a farm is divided by a good fence. The barns and hoes are good, and you occasionally see an orchard. In Indiana and Illinois, more especially in the former, this is a rare occurrence. There is a fence on the farm between the fields, and those that you do see are either worm or patent wire fence; this latter article is extensively used in the West in constructing fences, more on account of its saving of post planting; in some instances we see the fence set at a distance of 18 feet apart.

But, taking this section as a whole, in an agricultural view, some of the poorest sections in Lancaster county will "beat it all hollow." The houses and stables of these two states cannot rank with those of Ohio, and the straw stacks are as ungainly as they are small.

But, to return to St. Louis, where we spent several hours. This is a dirty city, but full of business. I must say a word about railroads. Here you see some of the greatest masterpieces of the civilization's skill. For at hundreds of miles you go through a large tunnel, hundreds of feet under the city, lit up at intervals by powerful skylights. It is a work that cost millions of dollars and months of laborious work. This and the long iron bridge over the Mississippi, with its immense spans over 200 feet deep and great iron spans, make it a marvel in railroad engineering. Then, too, the Union depot, with its scores of tracks and hundreds of depot men—for here is the great centre from which go out lines to all parts of the country. We walked through its streets; saw its opera house, the Globe Democrat office, its large hotels, etc.; but with all their architectural greatness you cannot admire, for you are constantly reminded of its dirty, dusty streets and smoky atmosphere.

Here we are passing through the dearest sort of a country; nothing but swamps, with an occasional corn field. A few miles west of the state of Missouri and enter Arkansas—Arkansas, if you please—the swamps are more numerous and the corn fields fewer, and the small log huts recall the tale of the "Arkansas Traveler." This was one of the worst roads in the country for trains to be waylaid, and we felt like making our "last will and testament," as we were told tales of the train robber by the brakeman, who showed us a "fine" pair of "shooters" which the rail road officials once compelled all its officials to wear. About every four or six miles of the 250 miles is a station with names none but a Spaniard can pronounce properly, and each one averages five or six saloons under such names as "Square Deal," "Crow's Neck," "De Soto," "X-10-U-S," "Nick Lawson's Retreat," etc. At Arcadia we got dinner and at Walnut Ridge supper. At the former place a Crow Indian boarded the train in company with a cattle herder. They talked but such a lingo I do not know. On Wednesday we arrived at Little Rock, Ark. It is a place about as large as Lancaster, but not over 18,000 people, in a pretty little city and full of darkeys. They tell me I arrived here at a bad time. It is too exciting. The state fair and the annual cotton exposition, given in a few weeks, and to-morrow (Sept 4) is the state election. Talk about exciting elections; you see them here. I will have a chance to see how a Southern election is conducted, witness a "Hamburg massacre" or two, and see lots of negro intimidation. "Maybe so. But be this as it may, it is now nearly noon and we will have to bring this letter to a close, with the promise to write another on the scenes and incidents of Southern social and political life. G. S. L.

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