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TELEPHONES ON RAILWAY TRAINS IS THE LATEST.

Erie is Trying Out System Which May
Prove a Boom to Railroading.

The Erie Railroad company is test-
ing out a new automatic signal system.
The company has 12 miles of track
between Newark and South Paterson
equipped with the third rail of the
Electrical Automatic Railroad Safety
Signal company, and yesterday a special
train containing railroad officials
and Frederick Lacroix, the inventor,
made a trip.

The engine has a brush arrangement
that connects with the third rail. In
the cab are instruments that will bring
the train to a stop the moment it
enters a block on which there is an
other train or a broken rail, or any
other obstruction.

The train is stopped automatically.
Then the engineer takes down his tele-
phone and calls up the nearest station
and asks what is the matter. He can
also talk with the other engines on the
line.

A time meter, similar to the paper
disk time clock of the watchman in
the big buildings, renders it impossible
for him to make a false report as to
the time he received the danger signal
and what he did. It is all written out
for him in red ink.

Mr. Lacroix called up Nutley while
the train was south of that station
asked to be switched to the long dis-
tance telephone. He had his engine in
the New York office.
up Chicago as easily,
and we could talk as plainly. It makes
train wrecks almost impossible, and it
makes it possible for a New Yorker
whose wife is speeding to Frisco on a
train to call her up. Trains can have
news tickers in the smoking cars and
every birth its telephone connected
with the outside world.

Another signal in the engineer's cab
is a green light that burns as long as
the track is clear, but goes dark as
soon as a danger zone is entered.

A push button in every station will
stop any train along the track for
miles. As soon as the station agent
pushes this button the train comes to
a sudden stop. The engineer calls
back to find what it is all about. The
agent explains and gives orders.

HALLSTEAD MAN A HERO: HIS WIDOW PENSIONED.

Michael Duffy Lost His Life While
Saving a Woman.

Michael J. Duffy, who, while acting
as a special officer for the Lackawan-
na Railroad Co., at Hallstead, Susque-
hanna county, lost his life in rescuing
a woman from in front of a train, has
now been declared a hero by no less
eminent an authority than the commis-
sioners in charge of the Carnegie
Hero Fund.

On the afternoon of January 11,
1909, Duffy was standing on the plat-
form of the Lackawanna station at
Hallstead with several other people.
A woman, who had just alighted from
a local train attempted to cross the
tracks just as the Lackawanna Lim-
ited, No. 6, came into view around a
curve. The train was late and was
traveling at a high rate of speed. Duffy
saw that the woman was directly
in the path of the train and instantly
sprang across the intervening tracks
to rescue her. He succeeded in shov-
ing her from the tracks far enough
to keep her from injury, but was him-
self struck by the engine and ground
to pieces.

Now for the act he has been de-
clared a hero and his wife, Mary A.
Duffy, has been voted a silver medal
and a pension of \$40 per month.

Bruin is Too Gay.

It is all right to talk about bears
and to hunt for them when you are
armed with a Winchester, but one
wants something more than a lantern
when he sees a big black bruin with
not the pleasantest expression on his
face coming down the path after the
dog and making a bee line in your
direction says the Canton World.
While Barney Paul, of Cold Spring
was going to the barn to do his
chores on Tuesday night with lantern
in hand a monster black bear took af-
ter his dog which was following him
and chased the yelping canine past
him within a few feet. Mr. Paul says
that he did not like the expression
of Mr. Bears face as the light of the
lantern fell on him as he went by
and had rather he would stay a little
father away.

Munson Can Have Place.

The vote given by Lycoming county
for C. LaRue Munson for Judge of
Supreme Court was a history maker.
In Williamsport alone he has 3,091, as
against von Moschzisker's 521, and in
the county as a whole he has a plural-
ity of 5,840 over the Republican can-
didate. One deduction from this over-
whelming vote is that it points directly
to him as the candidate for Judge of
Lycoming county next year, if he
wants it.

FALLING STARS WILL SOON BE NUMEROUS

Earth Will Run Into the Leonids
About the 12th of This Month.

The Leonid showers of falling stars
are due to fall on the nights of No-
vember 12, 13 and 14, and Bradford
Countians will watch the skies for
this beautiful display of meteors.
Last year's display fixes the date for
this year for many years to come.

The November meteors will scarce-
ly be at their best this year. In fact
the earth cuts their orbit at perhaps
its most sparsely settled spot. This
shower has a period roughly corres-
ponding to the generations of human
life, computed roughly at three to the
century. The last great display was
due in 1899, but it was a disappoint-
ment when compared with former
manifestations of this periodic max-
imum.

This year the earth crosses the or-
bit of this belt of minuscule members
of the solar system at a point ten
years away from the maximum den-
sity, about a third of the circuit of
that orbit. The prospects, therefore,
are that the display will not approach
anything like the brilliance that from
time to time has been observed.

On the other hand the exhibition,
chiefly in the early morning hours of
November 14, should far exceed the
count of the wandering stars which
blaze for a moment almost every
night, silent flights of cold incandes-
cence.

The pea size estimate is generally
accepted as the measure of the com-
ponents of the periodic shower me-
teors. Only slightly larger is the es-
timate made by Dr. Johnstone Stoney
in his address to the British Associa-
tion upon the Leonids of 1866.

"The meteors themselves," he said,
"are probably little pebbles, the larger
about an ounce, or perhaps two ounces,
in weight and spaced in the dense-
st part of the swarm at intervals of
one or two miles asunder every way.
The thickness of the stream is about
100,000 miles, which, however, is a
mere nothing compared with its enor-
mous length. The width is such that
the earth when it passes obliquely
through the stream is exposed to the
downpour of meteors for about five
hours."

Judge Von Moschzisker's Nationality.

What is Judge Von Moschzisker's na-
tionality? This is a question which
was asked before election, and is
still being asked by many. His name
has been a handicap to him, but he
was not ashamed of it and a few
years ago when he was asked by
friends to change his name as it would
prove a handicap he said to them:
"No; I will not change my name. It
is the name of my father, and I am
not ashamed of it. Succeed or fail
the name stands." But few people
outside of Philadelphia, know Von
Moschzisker's nationality, and thus
the question, "what is he?" The
truth is that his father was a native
of Poland and fled his country be-
cause he loved liberty better than
tyranny. The mother of the justice-
elect was Miss Harrison, of Philadel-
phia. He was born in that city, re-
ceiving his education in the public
schools and private institutions. They
who know him best hold him in the
highest regard as a citizen and a
jurist.

Hope They Do.

Some of the dairymen about the
county have received communications
from the city saying that if they wish
to sell milk in that market they must
provide light, clean and airy apart-
ments for the cows, the cattle must be
curried every day, their udders clean-
ly washed before milking, the milkmen
must wear white suits, and a number
of other requirements must be obeyed.
The farmers declare that they will
quit selling milk and go to butter mak-
ing rather than to be to all the ex-
pense entailed in such a proceeding. It
is to be hoped they do, for it will mean
more butter at a lower price for the
consumer, and a severe jolt to oleo.

Unselfish Man.

"You can keep my wife, but bring
back my furniture," said William Dear
in aldermanic court at Wilkes-Barre,
where he was prosecuting William
Carl for larceny of furniture. It ap-
peared that Dear's wife had been living
with Carl for some time and that the
couple had taken some furniture with
them. Dear insisted that he did not
want his wife, but placed a higher
value on his furniture.

Planting Chestnut Trees.

The Larrys Creek Fish and Game
Club, composed of Williamsport citi-
zens, which owns a 6,000 acre pre-
serve back of Salladasburg, is plan-
ning to plant one thousand Paragon
chestnut trees on the tract next
Spring. Among the objects of the
tree planting is to shade the trout
streams and provide food for game.

INJURED PLAYING FOOTBALL.

Was Playing With Cazenovia Sem-
inary Eleven Against Colgate Aca-
demy at Hamilton, N. Y.—Success-
ful Operation Performed.

The brutal game of football as it
has been played this Fall, has laid
low a Bradford county youth, who
like Cadet Byrne, and nearly 50 oth-
ers, may lose his life as result of in-
juries received in a game.

The victim of this accident is Joseph
Pickering of Athens township, a
son of the late William Pickering, who
was well known in Eastern Bradford
county. Pickering who is 18 years
of age, is a student in the Cazenovia
Seminary at Cazenovia, N. Y., and a
member of the football team repre-
senting that school. During the an-
nual game with the Colgate Academy
eleven at Hamilton, N. Y., on Satur-
day, Pickering was found unconscious
at the bottom of a pile of players
following a lively scrimmage, and
was carried from the field.

An examination by doctors discov-
ered the fact that a vertebrae had been
fractured, and his entire body par-
alyzed. His injuries are almost iden-
tical with those which caused the
death of Cadet Byrne of the West
Point eleven two weeks ago. Pick-
ering regained consciousness soon after
being carried from the field, but his
condition is critical.

Sunday morning in the Faxon hos-
pital at Utica, N. Y., he was operated
on successfully, and his chances for re-
covery are very good. The operation
disclosed the fact that both sides of
the arch of the seventh cervical
vertebrae had been broken and the
spinal cord lacerated. The compress-
ing bone was removed, and following
the operation the surgeon said that
the lad had a fair chance to recover.

Pickering Getting Along Nicely.

Prothonotary W. G. Gordon and J. N.
Califf, Esq., returned Tuesday from
Utica, N. Y., where they went to see
Joseph Pickering, the Athens town-
ship youth who was injured in a foot-
ball game last Saturday. Pickering
has been placed in a plaster cast, and
is getting along nicely. The doctors
believe he will fully recover. Pick-
ering was playing half back for the
Cazenovia seminary team against Colgate
academy eleven when injured.

ILLNESS CAUSES DELAY IN DRILLING FOR COAL.

Test in Colley Township, Sullivan
County, Has Been Stopped.

Says the Dushore Herald: "William
N. Moulter of Kingston, F. B. Walton
of Plymouth, Martin D. Beirne and
Stephen Jones of Wilkes-Barre, C. A.
Johnson of Lopez, have been drilling
on the farm of Lloyd W. Kinsley in
Colley township, for coal. The drilling
was in charge of Mr. Moulter, who is
now seriously ill with typhoid pneu-
monia, and the drilling has been
stopped after reaching a depth of 120
feet. No coal was found.

"About five years ago E. J. Billings
of New Albany, and Edward Sherman
of Ulster drilled on the same farm to
a depth of 300 feet finding several
small veins of coal and at a depth of
180 found a good vein of coal but as
the core was very much broken up
when coming to the surface it was im-
possible to tell just what the depth
of the vein was. The sickness of the
foreman of the gentlemen who are now
drilling has prevented them from going
on with the work. Mr. Kinsley says
they have treated him well and he is
very anxious to have them go on with
the drilling. The indications are that
there is coal on Mr. Kinsley's farm,
but at considerable depth, and it is
hoped that the above named gentlemen
will test the matter thoroughly."

Prosperous Banking Institution.

The Citizens National Bank of
Tunkhannock celebrated their seventh
anniversary by issuing a neatly print-
ed folder showing their annual state-
ments since organization. The capi-
tal has increased from \$25,000 to \$50,
000 and the deposits are now nearly
\$500,000. The total earnings are \$59,
562.31.

Dwelling Burned.

At 6:30 on Tuesday morning of
last week the dwelling of the late
H. Browning Faylor of Brushville
was burned to the ground. The cause
was a defective chimney and the
owner, Stephen Trowbridge, was able
to get his household goods out of the
burning building. There was an in-
surance of \$500 on the property.

Bolts Return to Church.

Lightning Thursday afternoon
struck the First Italian Presbyterian
Church, at Hazleton causing the de-
struction of the steeple and a portion
of the roof, and entailing a \$1000 loss.
Two weeks ago the residence of Rev.
Brunn, pastor of the church, was
struck by lightning, and the loss was
about the same.

WELLSBORO MAN DIED AT POSTOFFICE DOOR.

Assistant Postmaster Sullivan Suc-
cumbs to Heart Disease.

William Sullivan, assistant postmas-
ter of Wellsboro, died very suddenly
Thursday night of last week. He had
just left the postoffice after conclud-
ing the work of the day, and was on
his way to a meeting of the hose
company, when stricken with heart
disease. Friends found him leaning
against the building outside the rear
door of the postoffice, and he was
carried into an adjoining store and
several physicians summoned. Life
was extinct, however.

Mr. Sullivan was fifty-three years of
age. He was employed for a time in
the freight office but for over twenty-
one years he has been deputy post-
master in this borough serving dur-
ing the terms of Postmaster Don-
maux, a part of the term of James L.
White and also with Postmasters
Wright, Roy and Champaign. Mr.
Sullivan in politics was a Democrat
but had served under four Republican
postmasters which was a proof of the
competent manner in which he kept
the affairs of his department. He
was an authority on postal affairs and
was the secretary of the Deputy Post-
masters' Association of Pennsylvania.

He took a lively interest in the
work of the volunteer firemen of
Wellsboro, and was prominent in the
affairs of the Seven County Volun-
teer Firemen's association. He has
visited Towanda several times, the
last time to attend the firemen's con-
vention.

HUNTING ACCIDENT MAY COST FOOT.

Charles Ward Received Load of Shot
In Ankle.

As the result of an accident while
hunting near Meshoppen Tuesday
Charles Ward, a Lehigh engineer
may lose his right foot. A charge of
shot entered the ankle and the phys-
icians at the Packer hospital where
he was taken fear half amputation of
the member will be necessary in or-
der to save the patient's life.

In company with Harry Clendenny
and another man. Mr. Ward was
scouring the woods near Meshoppen
for game. After several hours tramp-
ing the party sat down to rest. Mr.
Clendenny kept his gun in his lap.
Mr. Ward who sat on Mr. Clendenny's
right was playing with the dog, when
the animal in jumping about struck
the gun with sufficient force to dis-
charge the weapon and the charge
struck Mr. Ward in the ankle. The
injured man was carried to Meshoppen
by his companions and brought
to Sayre on a Lehigh train and taken
directly to the hospital. An examina-
tion of the wound showed that the
leaden pellets had torn away the
flesh and injured the bones badly.

Malicious Work.

On September 29th the Hall auto-
matic signals at Meshoppen refused
to work and when W. C. Long, the
local maintainer made an investiga-
tion, he found that one of the bat-
teries had been broken open, the
working parts removed, and bond
wires which carry the current from
rail to rail had been cut. The matter
was at once taken up by railroad de-
tectives Hillebrand and Booth and as
a result Harry Spencer and Clinton
Spencer were taken last Saturday,
charged with tampering with the sig-
nals. They were taken before Squire
Bossard and gave bail in the sum of
\$200 for their appearance when want-
ed. A warrant was also issued for
the arrest of Charley Bramhall, the
Spencer boys claiming that Bramhall
is responsible for the damaging of the
signals. The Spencer boys have
never been accused before of doing
criminal acts, and it seems to be the
general opinion that another party
was the chief offender.—Laceyville
Messenger.

Meet by Chance and Wed.

A news dispatch from Bethlehem
says: "While visiting friends here,
unknown to each other, Miss May
Carey and Norman Swartwood, both
of Tunkhannock, and former sweet-
hearts, yesterday unexpectedly met
on the street. The old flame was re-
kindled, and deciding to lose no time,
the couple hurried to the Lehigh
county seat and secured a marriage
license. They then went to a 'Squire'
and were married."

Peculiar Accident.

Near the same spot where his father
met death by being run down by an
automobile over a year ago, Martin
Nolan, a 12-year-old North Scranton
boy, was struck by an automobile
Tuesday and received injuries of a
serious nature. Several of the youth's
ribs were broken, his legs were badly
lacerated and he is suffering from
severe bruises to the body.