

SPENCER COOPER, Proprietor. HAZEL GREEN - KENTUCKY. A HEARTLESS JOKE.

Old Zeb Wheeler, who had come to Little Rock as a witness before the United States Court, was "poking" around a railway depot the other day.

He exhibited much interest in examining an engine attached to a freight train. The engineer noticing him, said to the fireman:

"We'll have some fun with that old fellow. Say, my friend, this is a pretty good sized piece of machinery, isn't it?"

"You're shoutin'." She puts 'stonishment all over me."

"Don't suppose you could run her, do you?"

"No, I spect not. I used to run a saw mill, but this 'rangement lays over anything I ever seed."

"Come up and have a seat."

"Don't kere of I do."

He climbed into the cab and sat down.

"Laws a massy, ef my folks knowed that I was on one o' these things they'd go all round tellin' the neighbors. Say, gentlemans, I didn't sleep none last night an' ef you ain't got no objections I'll step back here an' lay down on the wood."

"All right go ahead."

The old fellow lay down and the engineer told the conductor what a joke he was going to play.

"We'll take him down about fifteen miles, and have the fun of seeing him strike out about."

"He might get mad, Jerry?"

"No, he won't. He's good natured."

"All right, yer're responsible."

The train started. The old man, who had gone to sleep, did not awake. The engineer and fireman laughed.

The train had gone some fifteen miles and was approaching a heavy grade, when old Wheeler sprang up, rubbed his eyes and said:

"Say, by grip, hold on here!"

"We can't stop now," the engineer replied. "Have to wait until we get over the grade."

"No, I'll be blamed if I do. I don't want no man to fool this way with me."

The engineer, although he knew the trouble it would impose, stopped the train. Wheeler got off, and loudly afterward when the train had started, he said:

"Don't look like you're going to make the pull. Live right down there, an' ef you want me to I'll get my steers an' pull you out. This is a mighty big place. I am much obliged to you for the ride as it saved payin' or walkin'." So long, gentlemans.—Arkansas Traveler.

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HOME AND FARM.

Whooping cough paroxysms are relieved by breathing the fumes of turpentine or hydrochloric acid. Use with great care.—Toledo Blade.

Celery plants may be nicely kept for use during winter, it is said, by standing them, after being cleaned, washed and the ends of the roots trimmed, in a tub or barrel containing a few inches of water, or pack them in a box with wet moss and keep standing upright.

When grain is beaten down by storms just as it is heading it rarely fills well. But if the heading-out is completed and the crop bends under increasing weight of the berry, the crop is not so much injured, though it will be more expensive to grow, and there will be some loss of grain which can not be reached by the reaper.—N. Y. Herald.

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HOW TO GET TRADE IN SUMMER.

A Lesson That Cost an Albany Merchant \$6,000 Before He Learned It.

Entering the store of a prosperous city merchant yesterday, a gentleman, a stranger in town, expressed surprise at the busy scene that greeted him.

He inquired of the proprietor how it was that he was getting more than his share of business in these dull, midsummer days. The merchant replied: "I attribute the excellent business I do every summer to just two things: First, I advertise bargains, and keep my store before the public; second, when my public calls satisfy it by keeping my advertised promises. It cost me \$6,000 to learn this lesson, and it has paid me at least \$25,000. During three successive summers during the hard years that followed 1873, I ran behind in this store on an average \$2,000 every year. I had my eye on a man who was in business to do and that I would do it. In the middle of the worst and dullest year that we had, when clerks were absent on their vacations and half of the force in the store was idle, I started in and spent \$1,200 in advertising midsummer bargains, and kept my store before the public; second, when my public calls satisfy it by keeping my advertised promises. 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