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An Engineer's Strange Experience on a Southern Road.

Chicago Record. Well, it was May 22d when I was running my "remediation" train on the Knoxville and Jellico. Ever been down there? Guess ye don't know then how the tracks snake around them California mountains. Too steep to run straight down, ye see—land ye in day after to-morrow—so ye have to crawl down from the Swannanoah divide, in and out, in and out, half a dozen loops on one hillside. And ye darsent run any too fast, neither, on account of the sand slide that's maybe waiting for you just around the next bend. Glad I'm off that road, I'll tell ye.

"Well, it was a nasty kind of a day, anyhow. Sleeting and blowing and the clouds hung down in front of me like curtains. I lost time, too, at Asheville waiting for a pesky freight to get out of the way; so I was in a tearing hurry and not the sweetest temper, ye can bet. Towards evening I was whizzing her along, thinking about Round Knob and a hot cup of coffee, when, some ways ahead, I spied a sheep in a cut. There she lay, right across the track, with two lambs snuggled under her. I whistled, but she never budged. I was in a hurry, and I wouldn't have minded the old sheep so much, but them little white lambs smelt out put me in mind of my baby, the cutest chap ye ever see, and it went against the grain to run 'em down. Had to slow up, anyhow; it was right at a bend, and I yelled to my fireman to shove 'em off the track. Well, ye never see a whiter face than that man came running back with 'Stop her, Jim! For God's sake, stop her short!' he hollered, and if you'll believe it just around that bend was the biggest landslide I ever want to come across. Took us a good hour and half to shovel it off down the hillside.

"Yes, sir; there's some mighty queer things in this world, and that's one of 'em. I ain't much on religion, but if it warn't a clear case of Providence I miss my guess." And the big engineer strode out to his engine.

IT WAS A BIG MISTAKE.

The Old Preacher Thought it Was the Angel Gabriel, But it Wasn't.

"Many men have been taken for somebody else of prominence, but I doubt if any one but myself can boast of having been mistaken for the Angel Gabriel," said Senator Palmer to a reporter. "It was this way: While I was Military Governor of Kentucky a disturbance occurred in some town in the interior. I was in another. There was no train, no saddle horse, no buggy nor carriage. The only sort of vehicle available was a big gilded circus chariot left by some stranded show company. I didn't like it, but there was nothing else, and in I got. I cut a great dash as I drove through the small town. People turned out in droves to see me pass. When I left the town behind and reached the plantation the negroes saw me and stared with open mouths. They followed me, keeping at a distance, for they had never seen such a splendid vehicle. They kept on until after awhile they were joined by an old white-haired preacher, who, on seeing me and my gilded chariot, raised his arms on high and his eyes, too, and with a voice that stirred all within hearing, cried: "'Bress de Lord, de day ob judgment an cum, an' dis gen' man am de Angel Gabriel hisself. Bredren down an yo' knees an' pray, fo' yo' hour an' hyar."

Good Times Predicted.

To a State convention of bankers begun on Wednesday in Saratoga, N. Y., Mr. Eckels, United States Comptroller of the Currency, said: "The lessons of the year just closed ought to bear fruit in making again a cardinal tenet of our business that conservatism which is founded in reason and commends itself to thoughtful judgement. Guided by it, I do not doubt but that, more quickly than ever before in a people's history, the American banker, merchant, manufacturer farmer and laborer will again see his country teeming with riches, and on every hand peace and quiet."

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Girls Now Look For Young Men With Rings on Their Fingers. Chicago Times. Young men have been wondering what it all could mean. For the last few weeks whenever a young man met a young lady of his acquaintance she would closely examine his fingers, and, finding a ring there, would turn it around two or three times and be satisfied.

When asked for an explanation the young lady would of course, evade the subject and laugh most sweetly at what she would innocently call a joke. But the secret is out and it has come to the ears of the young men. Now the fun will be on the other side. It is a new craze, this turning of rings on the fingers of young men by their lady friends. Where it came from no one knows; why the girls have all taken it up they, of course, cannot explain themselves. They think it is just too lovely, that's all.

There is a firm down town which employs a large number of young men and women, and much time is wasted there during the day by the practice of this craze. Recently one of the employers discovered what it all meant, and now there is a sign posted conspicuously in the room which reads: "Any employes caught practicing the ring-turning business will be immediately discharged."

I asked a member of the firm what it was all about. "Why it's the craziest thing you ever heard of," he said. "The idea is this: If a young lady meets a young man with a ring on his finger she is to turn the ring two or three times. Then with another the same thing, and so on until she has turned rings to the extent of twenty-four times. Then the next thing to do is to look for a married person, male or female, wearing a marriage ring. This ring she is to turn twice, and the next man she shakes hands with will be her husband.

"Crazy, isn't it?" said the dignified employer with a laugh. "But that sign there has put a stop to it in this place. The time we have lost through it would amount to days."

I asked one of the young ladies if all this was true. After some hesitation she admitted with blushes that it was.

"Of course you girls only do this as a joke?" said I.

"Oh, no," replied she very seriously. "We all believe in it. Why, I know of a young lady myself who married the very man she shook hands with after turning the marriage ring. It comes true every time."

"How about yourself?"

"Well, I'm waiting patiently for the young man, whom I shook hands to ask me."

And she bounded away with a laugh to join her friends.

A Kansas editor says hay fever is caused by kissing grass-widows. A Missouri editor says it is caused by grass-widows kissing a fellow by moonlight. An Illinois editor says it is caused by a fellow kissing the hired girl while she is feeding hay to the milk cow.

A MESSAGE TO CONGRESS. An Army by Coxy commanded, To have things their own way have planned it, For they know Grover's wrong, And they'll teach him ere long (That is—if they do not get stranded).

There are tramps from the South, that is sunny; There are tramps from them woolly West, funny; But 'tis pleasant to see Them in concord agree— (That for work they're not clamoring, but money).

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