

GERMAN RAILROAD SPEED.

Rails and Ties Damaged by Speed in Electric Trials.

Several months have elapsed since the close of the experiments in high-speed electrical traction over the specially prepared railroad line between Berlin and Zossen. No official report of the results obtained has yet been printed. But from authentic sources some highly interesting information has been obtained.

It will be remembered that the purpose of the trials was to ascertain how high a rate of speed, by the use of electric power, might be practically and safely attained with the track and cars provided. The trials began at forty miles an hour, the speed being gradually increased until about eighteen or twenty days after the first trial was made a speed of 93.2 miles an hour was obtained. Then the experiments suddenly ceased. The fact has been learned that the trials were brought to a close because it was found that at the highest rate of speed the strain on the track and the roadbed was so great that they had to be repaired at night for the work of the next day. In short the limit of practical utility and safety had been reached with the facilities at command.

The track was in perfect repair, but the rails were of the old Prussian standard and rather light. At ordinary speeds everything worked perfectly; but as a speed of 81 miles was approached and exceeded new and serious conditions were encountered. The rails and ties both proved too light for such a strain, the track began to give way, and the cars swayed violently from side to side. The highest rate of speed was

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obtained on two occasions, but the results were discouraging and the experiments were therefore discontinued. The net result of the trials is that up to a speed of 81 miles an hour they were successful and satisfactory.

German electricians regard the experiments as technically successful from their point of view. The disappointment lay in the fact, which seems to have been conclusively demonstrated, that a large part of the German railroads cannot be adapted to high-speed electrical traction without being practically rebuilt.

A farmer's man took the village doctor a note the other day, and with some difficulty Medicus spelt out: "Please send me a bottle of zzie." "Halloa," exclaimed the doctor, "i-i-z-z-i-c doesn't spell phyc." "Don't it?" answered the rustic; "what do it spell then?" The doctor gave it up.

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ANOTHER CALIFORNIA EXCURSION.

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The Way to Avoid the Transmission of Diseases.

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These germs have their own manners and customs, means of travel and prescribed length of life, and it is by the study of these details that we learn how to avoid the transmission of contagious illnesses. We know, for instance, that to get typhoid fever or cholera the microbe has to be taken into the system in the form of impure food or water, and so every year one or more precautions are taken to have the water supplies of our big cities free from contamination, and stricter attention is given to the purity of our food. An outbreak of typhoid fever is no longer considered, in the old sense, a "visitation of Providence," but is recognized as a shame and a reflection on local conditions, wherever it occurs.

Consumption and whooping-cough, we know, are passed from one person to another by means of the expectorations, and it is to be hoped that in the near future we shall put this knowledge to better use than we do at present, and protect ourselves by much more stringent rules. General expectation is a public offense and menace, and should be made a penal matter. The danger with expectorated matter is that it dries and then is scattered by the wind so that one and all must take the risks. This outrage should be so handled by all in authority that in the near future the present condition of our cars and streets will seem like an evil nightmare.

Scarlet fever and diphtheria are caught by any emanations from the body, especially by saliva. The poison can cling for months and years to clothes and toys and books, and these things should always be destroyed if they have come in contact with the sick, and sick rooms should be fumigated and made scientifically clean before they are again occupied.

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The meanest man on earth has just been found. His mind had been wandering with fever for three weeks, and when he came back to his senses and opened his eyes he saw a fair face under a white cap bending over his pillow:

"Who—who are you?" he gasped. "I'm the trained nurse."

"The trained nurse! Oh, good gracious! And how much am I paying you?" She told him, and he turned his head, groaning in the soreness of his affliction. A few moments later, though, his face lit up with a flash of hope. "But I'm back in my right mind now, ain't I?"

"Why, yes; I think you are." "All right, then," with fierce exultation. "I give you notice to leave to-night!"

TWO LETTERS.

THEY PROVE THE PERMANENCY OF CURES BY DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS.

Over Six Years Have Gone by, and This Cure Still Stands—Only One of Many Such Cases.

St. Mary's Ferry, N. B., May 19. (Special)—Mr. Thomas Harrison of this place has addressed two significant letters to The Dodds Medicine Co., Toronto.

The First One.

St. Mary's Ferry, Dec. 18, 1895. Gentlemen:

I feel it my duty to you and to the public at large to tell what Dodd's Kidney Pills have done for me.

About one year ago I began to suffer with severe pains over the region of my kidneys, followed by a very lethargic feeling.

When I lay down it was torture to get up again.

This state continued for some time, and all the while I was still getting weaker and losing flesh rapidly.

My appetite was very much impaired, and at last I was obliged to call in a physician.

He gave my sufferings a very learned name, and doctored me for some time, but I got no better.

I called in several other physicians, but it was all no use; my sufferings got worse all the time until I began to despair of life.

A friend advised me to use Dodd's Kidney Pills. I was very skeptical but was prevailed on to commence a treatment; the first box made me feel some better.

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Yours truly,
THOMAS HARRISON.

The Second One.

St. Mary's Ferry, N. B., Mar. 24, 1902. Gentlemen:

What I said in 1895 I can at this moment most emphatically substantiate.

I have never had the slightest symptom of a return of my old trouble.

Yours truly,
THOMAS HARRISON.

She: "And will you always love me? All the livelong day?" He: "Ye—es, I think so. You'll give me a chance to stop for meals, I suppose?"

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