## THB NEBRISXA ADTRPTISRR

 w. banders, Pabletior. NEMAHA. . . . . NEBRASKA. MAIDEN FAIR. Malden falt, malden tair, light of heart andfree from care, manner debonnair,
standing now at sweet ffteen on the grea maturer years of womanhood and giriThou art sweet and winsome quite, with
The seoultul eeves alight,
refections of a glory that is hiden And of perfect mold, $\begin{gathered}\text { ot } \\ \text { mausand beauties ripening as thy } \\ \text { many charms unfold. }\end{gathered}$ Soul ns yet uncarved, onwrought, by the
Eraver, Ceeper thoukht,
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 xumesumanion the measure of the pleasure that sha Then thy heart ahall find
morr to retkn alone.
But to tind unmeasured happiness well sown, But the maker of tr
er and a wife.

May the mussear of
ness proong:
Blosom born tat

the raln or ne
Thou shat bloom
the garden of then deathless beauty
Ged. EDGAR Jones.

WILLIE'S RIDE.
BY A. W. WHITEFORD.

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iot engineer on the St. Louis Turner, ansion
"the Burlin The Burling
He was a general favorite with all
owing not only to his continual owing not only to but he also commanded a ce tain amount of respect from the fact.
admitted by all, that he was the "best posted" man on
Although not the oldest man on the
list, his superior ability was always given the preference, and whenever
special was to be run over the division he was always reserved for it if possible a bright little fellow 14 years of age, whose greatest ambition was to become greatest happiness was to be allowed to ride upon the seat box, with permis-
sion to ring the bell or blow the whistle, as his father directed.
well versed in railroad terms and rules, and could answer nearly every ques-
tion in the long list of instructions witl which every fireman must be perfectly vancement. He knew all the signals, on the division, and contd tell the dif ference between "straight" and "time
orders, with the ease of an old perienced engineer.
It is therefore almost unnecessary to
state that very soon after his fathe finished speaking, Wilie's unfinished er's consent obtained, and when, after dinner, his father picked up his lunch
bucket and started for the roundhouse. he was accompanied by the happie boy in Beardstow
was as much interested as his wille when the roundhouse foreman in sible to take out his recularengine ow that No. 48, the noo and his engine had been sent out in her place, and he would have to take 372 .
The 372 was a new engine, but a 'sho time out broken in
She was built on the modern mogul anch side, style, with three drivers on work. The difference bet for heavy style of an engine and the Class A and B our common engines, is simply in their cumference of their boilers, the amount pounds of steam they carry
made much widet that they cannot be tracks having a standard width, the
difference is made in the length of the close up to the tender, and leaving onl
a small passageway on each side. a smail passageway on each side.
In one of these the right one-sea
d on a very small swing seat, literall ed on a very small swing seat, hiterally
"cooped up," the engineer must ride
and handle the engine; and though the eft one is intended for the fireman,
eldom has an opportunity to use for these engines. pulling heavy trains,
ose so much coal and water that he $i$ ept busy breaking and shoveling con
orking the injector, or doing some of the countless things always nece
sary to "make her steam well." Thus, you see, it is almost impossibl another, let alone talk to one another, urn around to do so, and thus take hi
ae off the track before him. But "fast time" is the only watcl pecially in their passenger service, an
everything else must be sacrificed t nake it, and no engineer enjoys any
hing so much as a new engine to run and a chance to break some other man's
record. So the delight was not all Wil-
lie's, as he and his father, after signing the, register in the office, climbed upinto
the cab of 372 , to make the necessary
 here before them, and in another mo ment the "hostler" appeared, and the
ere soon out upon the side trank, wait ing for the special to arrive.
Turner smiled complacently to himelf as he watched Willie moving a round matlo oiler, placed the tallow, pot where
would keep warm, tried the whistle on top of the cab, and, when he father gave his consent, admonishing him to be careful and not miss any
holes, remarking to himself, as Willie
picked up the long oiler: some day
He kep be sure that everything was all right
for, though he was very proud of his
boy, he did not forget that he was re0 answer for any neglect of duty.
He hav
scarcely pronounced everyHe had scarcely pronounced every
thing o. K., ns Willie finished oiling, When the sound of a whistle in the dis-
ance announced the coming of the spe-
fal; and in what semed a very short
ime the special was in, the engine eut of and in on the side track, and 372
backed up and coupled on. After trying the air brakes, reading
ver the orders and comparing watche with the conductor, and receiving
"high ball," Turner gave the belliope a
jerk, threw forward the lever, pulled
open the throttle, gave the sand lever a open he throtte, gave the sand lever a
shake or two and they were off.
Nothing unusual oceurred for the clined leaning from the window; the
freman stod in the gangway or ex
changed an occasional word with Willie changed an occasional word with Willie
between fires, as he sat on the seat op-
posite from his father, his eyes firs esting on the rapidly moving scenery,
hen in and around the engine, as if to
make sure that everything was as it When a bridge was reached a sto
was made. The inspectors alighte with their instruments, and, after the ing, recording and the like had been
gone through with, they boarded the cone through with, they boarded the
rain, and away they went till the next
bridge was reached. It was just four oolock when the
eft Whitehall, with but oft Whitehall, with but one more stop
o make before they reached the turn ing point. Eerything was in good running or
der. The 372 was more than doing he
ork. She "steamed" vork. She "steamed" as thongh it her train right at the start, and she had
iso demonstrated her ability to run o, as they neared Apple Creek Hollow,
where the last stop was to be made ust to see how she could run. Thi
hollow, as many others do, took it name from the creek that ran theoug
the bottom, and it was six miles ove he that is, it was a three-mile drop to back to the level, and as there were sev-
cral sharp curves before the bottom wa reached, it was possible to get wha
railroad men ghe As." they were to stop at the bottom, he fireman put in a light fire and turned
on the injector. Whlie leaned from the window in joyous expectancy, for the
spot was familiar to him and he knew what was coming, while his fathe
stood up, pulled his cap down a litte tighter, took
he and "let Faster and faster they went. The
fences appeared to be one continuous hne of rails; the telegraph poles fairly
fashed by, and the engine rocked unt t seemed to be riding first on one side When the half-w
their speed can only be described as
something terrific. Turner still stod with his hand on the throttle, read ior any emergency; the fireman stood
in the gangway, directly behind him, one arm resting on the rear end of the ank valve with the other, while willie he side of the cab as heleaned from the indow.
Just as they were rounding the lant
nd

WILLIE DREW HIMSELF UP TO THE the boiler, not knowing but what his
father and the fireman were already No way of stopping, no way of warn
ing the people on the train behind him,
and running down a red flag at the rate of a mile a minute!
If he could reach the throttle, he
could shut off the steam; or if he could get his hand on the valve, it would be
but an instant's work to turn on the
nir brake. But not only was he unable
to reach them from where he was bit
 powerless, because they were so cov-
ered by the broken timbers that it
would have been impossible to move
either one of them.
Even the whistle
and the rocking of the engine was such ple off at any instant and carry him
Sudidenly an iden came to him, sug-
essted by the broken whistle lever a ested by the broken whistle lever a
it swung to and fro with every rock o whiste, be woutd be able to warn the
people on the train, and they would be people on the train, and they would
able to "set the automatic," which in
done by pulling the extra bell cord tha runs ayong the side of every passenger
coach, and thus bring the train to a tandstill.
He knew
He knew that a small strip of wood few inches from the edge, to keep the dows, and if he could grasp it, he migh
be able to pull himself up on top, and
by some means or other sound th whistle for brakes. After making two or three deter
nined efforts, he succeeded in grasping he strip with one hand, and then, brac
ing himself as well as he could with hig himself as well as he could with
his feet, for the cab was swaying at a
rightful rate, he quickly reached out nd up with the other hand, took a firm rasp on the strip, pulled himself up succeeded in getting his feet upon the
vill, and, with one last mighty effort, rew himself upon the roof of the shak gig and trembling čab.
But now he must
But now he must reach the whistle
which was the hardest part of his task or not only was the cab rocking, bu the roof was standing at such an angle
he had to lie down and hold ou to the After trying in vain to think of some safe means to reach the whistle dome,
he decided that the only way was to le go his hold, and take
catching it as he rolled. tomatoes upon potatoes, with the re-
sult that his plant produces potatoes underground and tomatoes above. -A jealous husband in Bellefonte, Pa ., mirers, and to make her beauty less at-
tractive, he shot off the tip of her nose. -After sharpening an indelible lead pencll, John lenshaw, of Yonkers, N.
Y., used the same knife to cut his corn. inied.
dind
-Stale sermons are not admired by
the archbishop of Canterbury. He advises his clergy to burn their sermons
after they atter
times.
-Taxes are remitted on Paris houses
Wich are unoccupied. If any part of the house is untenanted, a correspond-
ing reduction is made in the amount -A small inheritance cam London pauper at the age of 70 . He in-
vited his friends to a champagne supper, and he drank so freely that within
three days he died. -An undertaker at Leavenworth, diers in that city, displayed in the win-
dow of his coffin shop a banner with
these wis "Win -The datirymano of syra marches his
 customers. Should they express a wish
for the milk of any particular goat, the -If one dollar were loaned for 100 years, at six per cent., with the interest
annually collected and added to the
principal, the investment would amount prineipal, the investment would amount
to $\$ 340$ At eight per cent. it would
amount to $\$ 2,203$; at ten per cent., $\$ 13,-$

There are five centenarians in the
-tle village of Friendsville, Pa. They Gibson, 102 ; William, ageed 104; John
Philaney Golden, 100, Mrs, Mrs. Melen -A gentleman who needed wifely
attentions was reoently married at Van
Buren Ark He suren, Ark. He interrupted the cere-
mony long enough to ndjust one of his
suspenders, both of which were held
in place at the back by the restraining -A cord of wood, weighing 4,000
pounds, will yield nine gatlons of aleo-
hol, 200 pounds of acetate of lime 25 hol, gallons of tar, and and 85 bushels of char- $_{\text {con }}$ coal. Wood a!cohol is almost a perfect mical and manufacturing purposes. EXPLAINED HIS OWN JOKE. Sir Francis Lockwood, of England,
hose death was announced lately from London, was one of the best story-tell-
ers I ever heard," said Attorney Henry
Wollman. He was at Saratoga in 1596 Wollman. He was at Saratoga in 1896
with Raron Russell, lord chief justice
of England, and won great prominence and popularity during his stay there.
He could tell a story better than Chaun-
cey Depew, and that is saying a great Heke was a victim of one of his own
associationg thowevereting of the Ear
ast furnished some of us much amusement. At a tlin-
ner party one evening he was relating
anecedotes of some of his early experiences, and told of once defending a man
for murder. One of the strong points he
nade was an alibi, which he the
was a was a very food one. After the case
went to the jury, ina oconversation with.
the judge, hit asked him what he
thought of the jodge, he asked him what he
thought it dou alibi. The judge said he
the and then Si Francis replied:
 Shell half a pound of English walnuts.
Put the kernels int, a pint of boiling "Sure. I'll drop you a cheek in the
morning."
"Haven't any change to-day, my

## "You're a cheerful hiar." "Get over on your own side. I'm

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miss meant instant denth, but to
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ward with all the power at his com-as well as he could, he straightened
strip of iron that works the whistle
valve, and sent out a short, sharp and

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boy who had just exhibited the judg.
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the time. for "a a clear rracke. is the motto
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when out on the road, and the business
of the trip was on considered.
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bridge, at the bottom, the inspectors
bridge, at the bottom, the inspectors
proceeded to make their final test, while
the freight engine pulled up the second
seetion of the freight trailn, and then
returned nnd pulled up the special,
crippled enine and nul
An examination disclosed the fact
that Turner had "shat offi", whe whe his
tarm was yet free. and this acounted
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& \text { Rorer, in Ladies Home Journal. }
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