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A SONG OF FLEETING TIME.

When love was rich and young, my dear, And all the world was fair, What music beautiful and clean Made summer in the air. The roses blushed around your door, The sunshine trembled o'er your floor And blessed you unaware-From dawn till eve, from fall till spring Life offered you each royal thing. Yes, you, who did not care When love was rich and young, my dear, And all the world was fair.

When love was rich and young, my dear, And all the world was fair, It was a heavenly thing to hear Your laughter bless the air. To note your dainty ways, and mark Your eyes make starlight of the dark, To know that everywhere Men's hearts went with you, every one, Like Aztecs following the sun Whose fleeting left heaven bare-When love was rich and young, my dear, And all the world was fair

Now love is poor and old, my dear, And all the world grows gray. There is no music left to cheer The curfew time of day. About your lonely door I see The shadows failing silently, Like brown leaves from the spray; Flown are the roses and the light, Gay hearts have bidden you good night And gone upon their way. Now love is poor and old, my dear, And all the world grows gray.

Now love is poor and old, my dear, And all the world grows gray. Heart breaking is it but to hear The laughter once so gay; To mark your faded charms and know The rose has had its time to blow. And joy to pass away. One thing, one only, of the past Abideth with you to the last, Your poet's song still holds you fast And keeps you fair alway. Now love is poor and old, my dear, And all the world grows gray. -Elvira S. Miller in Louisville Courier-Journal.

THE MAD LOCOMOTIVE.

"A story of railroad adventure, ch?" "If you please," I answered the veteran engineer, as we sat in the cool shade to the east of a big Providence bled in from the tender roundhouse. I may say that Peter hands beside mine. he Hank, the narrator of this exciting incident, is well known by me and esteemed as a man of truth by everybody who knows him.

"I never had but one son. All my boys were girls. But when little Burnside was born I tell you we were happy. Yet I never supposed that chap would save my own life and lots of other people's. That's just what he did, how- bulls. We pulled. Then we shoved. ever. You know I always run the ex- We planted our feet and pulled and We got a big engine some years

hot and dark. We had the right of way, but were to approach Wickford cautious, for there we should find the regular New York express, which we should overtake. No. 643 worked stiff, as 1 knew she would, but she was so big that when she got started nothing could trouble her much, and she just tossed the load along as light as a feather.

"I noticed that the throttle valve worked hard when I had to shut off steam once of twice slowing through a station. Still I could jerk her in and out well enough with one hand. An ugly throttle is a terrible thing, sir, though. For, you see, a man can't be sure. Suppose you couldn't shut off. Suppose your throttle got stuck, full head on, going at fifty miles an hour, and you a-coming into a station, for instance, even if there was nothing standing there, I tell you, you'd feel about as the Almighty would if the earth got loose and he couldn't stop her."

Then Hank puffed smokeless whiffs. "Well, again," he resumed presently. The excitement of his own memory had brought the sweat drops to his forehead; his pipe had gone out the third time. "That throttle valve did stick on me! That's just what did happen. We were, I calculated, about eight miles from phe Wickford. Somehow, though, ther, wasn't any station to slow me up, ye'l de had a feeling, an awful feeling, too ill a I could not if I would shut he relar 'Pshaw!' I said to myself, and I with the boy's curly head with m with the boy's curly head hand kept I sver that throttle harder unit harder. I couldn't stir her! I reshou over and put my right hand con lever. I could not move bery my box. I seemed to be in frenzy. I sprang at the valveras hands and all my weight. move a hair! And the way v ing! Probably we were flyinmiles an hour. I yelled at t

"'Give us a hand, Geor "He knew it all in a set "'Now!' I shouted.

"We threw our weight a that old beast just shool jumped and jumped, as muc 'You can't shut off my wind!' " 'Pete!' cried the fireman,

Wickford on the switch! W two miles more to live!' "Then we struggled like two

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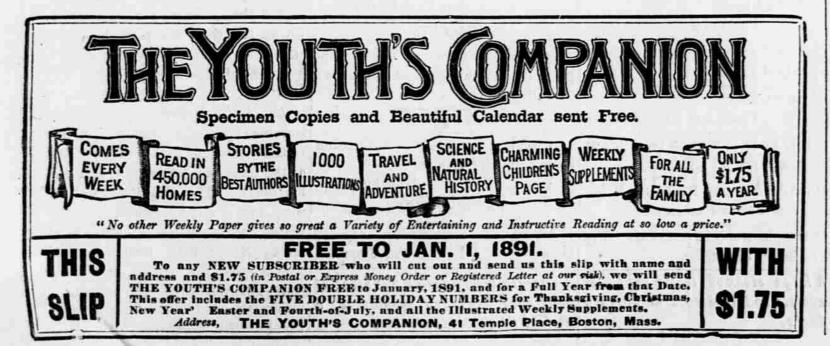
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any machine we ever used before. I have put 'em on would have knocked never liked her when I saw her in the out the cylinder heads or broke a driving shop, that giantess, No. 643. She never rod, and sent us all to eternity. had any name. And that machine never "All this while there sat my pretty liked me. All because of this." The boy, as calm, as laughing, because he

ers were crawling all over her.

that critter will heat the first trip, and a out my boy into the darkness? hot box on her will mean lots of work. I hope I may never be asked to run her.' you look so?' Well, sir, believe it or not, I know she heard it and was mad. When I climbed engine. We're all going to be killed in into her cab, just to look at her there, I a minute, unless I toss you out there." naturally enough took hold of her reverse lever. She threw that lever over, sir, quicker'n lightning, and caught my

leg just under the knee, taking out a bite was holding him, you understand. And was all right."

Then he resumed his pipe while that soaked into me.

"Now, you newspaper men do not acle. The train slowed up in answer to take any stock in such things, I know. the brake whistle, and stopped just in But no railroad man would say I was a front of the station. The matter may fool if I thought hard of the machine. or may not have had any miraculous act just as if they had spirits in them. There ain't an engine on our road or any one moment binding by heat or other other which will work as well for one expansion, the next moment releasing man as she will for another. Every en- itself helped by the tremendous steam gine has her favorites, for whom she will pressure in the dome, is one of the many do anything, and her enemies, to whom well known curiosities of metal action. she acts like a she demon."

has since verified on considerable inquiry | I asked. among locomotive engineers.

fore the master mechanic sent for me one night to take her. I remember 1 his chair beside me. He was just 8 years My fireman has three times saved his old the Thursday before. It was a very life so. I have once, of which I'll tell hot August night. I was asked to put you some day. Good-by. Here's my the big engine through for a special. There was a party of big fellows from Emory J. Haynes in New York Ledger. Washington who were returning from

the White Mountains. I was to drive 'em down to Wickford Junction for Newport.

"God help me, Susie!" I said to my pistol shot here at home than to go.' What ails you?

"'I don't know,' I said. 'But that machine hain't been run a dozen times. the storm in a doorway in the neighbor-Besides she hates me. This is to be a hood of the Medical School of Paris. show off run, like lightning, and I know she'll kill us all.'

"My wife she just rose up then. Be-I ain't, she exploded on me.

"'Pete, I'm ashamed of you! You're place, audibly remarking: the best runner on the road, and this is an honor. Do you want to get discharged and lose our daily bread? God will take care o' my husband. Here! when a block of granite fell from the It's a hot night, and you'll be back by building and killed him. Sardou took

shoved. We had no air brakes in them ago on the road. She weighs more than days. But if we had, I vow I b'lieve to

engineer took his pipe from his mouth thought this was all play. But I knew to look me squarely in the eye. "I was we'd all got to die, and I caught up the in the shop one afternoon just to look boy. I held him, kissing him. It all her over. That's when they were paint- took but a moment. There, less'n a ing her up. The painters and varnish- mile ahead, stood the rear of the 'New York' on our track at the station. I "Of course she wasn't fired up. An- could see her red light. You better

ther engineer and I just were walking b'lieve I forgot all about the big men round her huge body. I said: 'Jake, behind. I was thinking, should I throw "'Papa,' said Burnside, 'what makes

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"'Because, boy, we can't stop the andial n w man Octov it h "'No, papa,' said he, reaching out his pretty hand. 'Let me try it.'

tach is les "Well, I did. I don't know why. I pend-view as big as a walnut. My! How she pained sir, the moment that child's hand struck That ion of me! It was weeks before my stiff leg that throttle valve, she shut off as easy Q R wages. Th underent in as drawing your breath!" the Stl.

The engineer said he actually tumbled over on his seat as if he had seen a mir-

Notice named se? to make fit claim, and And all railroad men have seen engines element. The good mother urged the Register and Saturday, J, boy's going. The behavior of the metal,

H. E. No. 515 town. 5, nort He names the bis continuou of, said a id, vi Godard, Squire and Robert Dun 26 "Would you really have thrown that

A fact, by the way, which the writer boy from the cab if she had not stopped?"

"Certainly. It would have been the "Well, sir, if you believe me, that No. only chance of saving his life. I should 643 hadn't been out o' shop a week be- have chosen a bunch of green, growing brush and landed hun safely up against the bending branches. Then I should was eating supper. It was my two days' have jumped myself. We always jump lay off. Little Burnside was sitting in when we can do no more good here. ceased, for the N. W 14 and N. W. 14 S. W. the following witness machine, just out of the yard."-Rev.

Sardou's Lucky Step.

Victorien Sardou, popularly called the "journalist playwright," was born in Paris on the 7th of September, 1831. His wife, pushing back my chair. 'I don't father was a teacher and the author of urday, December 6th, 1890. know why, but I'd rather be killed by a elementary text books. Little success met his efforts, and their early days the S. 12 N. W. 14 and W. 12 : "'You foolish fellow!' she replied. were days of privation and hardship. Just over thirty years ago, on a cheerless wet night, he sought shelter from Feeling utterly wretched and with thoughts of suicide floating through his mind, he moved away from the dooring a good Christian church member as way which had afforded shelter to him. A water carrier immediately took his

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