STEAM LINES SPREAD FAST

Nearly Five Thousand Miles of New Track Laid in Year Just Closing.

ROADBEDS VASTLY IMPROVED

West Continues a Leader in Railcond Activity, with Nebraska, lowa and the Dakotas Well at the Frent.

Railroad enterprises of magnitude have territory has kept pace with the commerthoritatively compiled by the Railway Age, which says

Although railway construction has been been completed in the United States in 1900 than were built during 1899. The difference is not great and as tracklaying have built extensions during the year are is being rushed on a number of lines during the closing days of the year, it may be that revised and belated returns will add enough mileage to bring the figures up to last year's total, when 4,588 miles of new road were built.

At the beginning of the present year there was apparently sufficient evidence to warrant the assumption that the new mileage of 1966 would be greater than that of last year, and in seeking a cause for the smaller mileage now reported several things considered. First, the work of reducing grades eliminating curves, erecting new structures, relaying rails and building double track has been carried on to such an extent by many of the large systems that much new construction previously planned had to be postponed. Improvements of this nature have been more extensive during the last two years than in any previous like period in the history of the country and the work has been of such magnitude as to require almost the full attention of the engineering and construction forces, as well as the available were held in check until the national election was over and it is not improbable tha the high prices of steel rails and track material had a deterrent effect on many proposed lines which would have been completed ere this had prices been lower.

The returns thus far received-necessarily incomplete before the year has actually closed—show that not less than the railway mileage of the United States at lines in forty-four states and territories. as indicated in the following table of track tald from January 1 to December 31, 1900;

Year's Record of Truck Laid.

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States.	Lines.	Miles
Alabama		192
Alaska		5.0
Arkansas		62.4
Arizona		43.7
California	10	140.
Colorado	6	85.
Florida	9	74.5
Georgia		101.3
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		845.1
Illinois		755
Indiana		77.5
Indian Territory		158.3
Iowa	6	207.
Kentucky	1	30.2
Louislana	9	155.0
Maine		12.3
Maryland		10.4
		141.5
Michigan		051
Minnesote		251.
Mississippi		125.
Minaouri	10	63.5
Montana		30.
Nebraska	3	102
New Hampshire	1	18.7
New Jersey	3	4.1
New Mexico		77.3
New York		36.5
North Carolina		43.1
North Carolina	***************************************	121.5
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Ohlo		19.7
Oklahoma Territory		137.5
Oregon		57.4
Pennsylvania	50	276.5
South Carolina	9	172.7
South Dakota		136.6
Tennessee		87 : 318 8
Texas		218.8
Viah		11.1
		27.5
Vermont		00.0
Virginia		63.2
Washington	CLASS B	74.7
West Virginia		225,4
Wisconsin	ALLEN B	86.6
Wyoming	7	145.9
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Total in 44 states and terthe above table there have been built a good many logging and private roads, which are of a temporary nature and which should not be counted as additions to the regular railway mileage of the country. Where we have evidence that such roads, although built for logging purposes, are of a permanent character and are intended for regular traffic eventually, although doing only a logging business at present, they have been included, but care has been taken to exclude everything of a doubtful nature. There also have been completed several hundred miles of grade, on which track will not be laid until spring

Important Lines Built West.

The table indicates that the south and southwest continue to be the scenes of greatest activity, although there have been many important lines built in the west and Twenty-one states west of the Mississippi river have built 2,412 miles of new line, or more than one-half of the total for the entire United States, while the states east of the Mississippi and south of the Ohio have added 1,126 miles. If we group the entire fifteen southern

states together it will be seen that they show an added new mileage of 1,716 miles. The New England states, with Pennsylvania. New York and New Jersey added, show an increase of 368 miles, while the central northern states of Wisconsin, Michigan, Illinois, Indiana and Ohio have added 411 miles. The states in which no new road is reported are Massachusetts, Connecticut, Rhode Island, Delaware, Kansas and Ne-

Texas leads all other states in the union with a total of 318 miles. Pennsylvania comes second, with 277 miles; Iowa third, with 287 miles; Minnesota fourth, with 251 miles, and West Virginia fifth, with 225 miles. These are the only states showing an excess of 200 miles. In Texas important extensions have been built by the Southern Pacific, International & Great Northern and Missouri, Kansas & Texas, and there have been many short lines constructed. The terrible storm which swept over Texas ne months ago, causing great damage to liway property, seriously retarded fail-construction in that state and pre-ed the completion of a considerable case which it was expected to have ration by January 1, 1901.

to date and told in song and jest. Captain John Smith, as impersonated by Pearl Marquem, is as dashing as his most admiring placed Island & Pacific (165 miles), apolis & St. Louis and Burling-Rapids and Northern hiso have played additions. In Minnesona a played additions, in Minnesona and Smith in the presentation of the opening skit.

Swan and Bambard, eccentric comedians, Cuaningham and Smith in a character sighty-accent miles, and the Minnesona being a link in the pew there system. Pensaylvania's milesse is made up entirely of features of the entertainment and sould be and Matthews; travesty artists, and Belle Gordon, bag puncher, furnish the specialty features of the entertainment and sould be determined to the date and told in song and jest. Captain John Smith, as impersonated by Pearl Marquem, is as dashing as his most admiring biographer could make him and as hand-some in fact and figure as the baidheaded policy girls, elegantly costumed, and a quartet of parting played feature. A score of parting played feature and figure as the baidheaded policy and figure as t ew Mileage in lowe. longest piece of continu- themselves creditably ing but twenty miles in

Baltimore & Ohio twenty-eight miles in

The longest stretch of new track, 142 miles, has been built by the St. Louis & San Francisco on its extension from Sapulpa, T., to Denison, Tex. Two new roads of importance built during the year are the West Virginia Short Line from Clarksburg to New Martinsville, W. Va., 60 miles, and the Tennessee Central, which has been

completed between Emory Jap and Mon-

terey, Tenn., by laying 43.4 miles of track. A large proportion of the new mileage of the year has been built by the great systems of the west and south as follows: Chicago & Northwestern, 240 miles; Burlington system, 188 miles; Chicago, Milwaukce & St. Paul, 178 miles: Southern Pacific, 179 miles; St. Louis & San Franmarked the year 1900. Many of the big sico, 170 miles; Chicago, Rock Island & systems have greatly improved their ex. Pacific, 168 miles; Northern Pacific, 151 isting lines and the spreading out into new miles (not counting two short extensions in Manitoba); Chesapeake & Ohio, 108 miles; cial activity of the country. The year's Seaboard Air Line, 104 miles; Burlington, record of railway building has been au- Cedar Rapids & Northern, 100 miles; Atchtson, Topeka & Santa Fe system, 91 miles; Louisville & Nashville, 90 miles; Gulf & Ship Island, 69 miles; Central of Georgia, carried on with energy in almost every 68 miles; Couthern Railway, 65 miles; Inportion of the country during the year ternational & Great Northern, 52 miles; just closing, the returns thus far gathered | Baltimore & Ohio, 38 miles. This makes indicate that fewer miles of new road have a total of 2,050 miles of new line built in the interest of the 17 companies named.

Among the other important roads which the Pennsylvania, Rio Grande Western, Great Northern, Denver & Rio Grande, Missouri, Kansas & Texas, Minneapolis & St. Louis, Duluth, South Shore & Atlantic, Chicago & Eastern Illinois, Indiana, Illinois & Iowa, Texas & Pacific and Atlantic Coast

New Year's Entleing Field.

It is too early to make predictions as to the results for the coming year, but much important work has been laid out in the for unfortunates. west and southwest, which will make those sections enticing fields for rallway contractors for the next twelve months. The most Jackets which they relegated to the garret important of these is the Rock Island's extension from Liberal, Kan., to White Oaks, N. M., 400 miles, contracts for a portion of much the same shape as a coffin and is which have already been let and which is scheduled for completion in 1901.

Railway building in the United States cached its maximum in 1897, when almost 13,000 miles of new lines were added. The rapid failing off in the succeeding ten years and the encouraging recovery in the next three years are shown in the following capital. Then, undoubtedly, many projects table of track laid in the last fourteen years

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4,322 miles of track have been laid in the the opening of the twentieth century up to United States during the year 1900 on 330 the grand total of 195,155 miles, subject to possible increase by later returns,

-----AMUSEMENTS.

The Heart of Maryland"-David Belasco's famous melodrama, so realistic of the stirring scenes of the civil attendant cannot remain in a modern hoswar, loses none of its popularity as it pitai. grows older and as other dramas seem to displace it in the affections of the people. So long as the "Heart of Maryland" is just so long will it continue to charm theater-goers the country over.

A capable company, selected and trained by Mr. Belasco, presented this excellent drama very acceptably at Boyd's theater Sunday afternoon and evening. The performance of each member of the cast was who appears in the role of Maryland Calvert, gave to the charming character and adequate interpretation. Herbert Bostwick's characterization of the traitor, Colonel Fulton Thorpe, who, by his own declaration, was "a man without a country," was satisfactory. Walter Belasco, the brother of vost sergeant and the ex-jailor at Pigwog. "Mizzouri," with a delightful sang froid and naturalness. Regan Hughston merited high compliment in his dual role of Lloyd Calvert and the sexton of the old church. The engagement closed with last night's

Orpheum-The vaudeville bill at the Orpheum for the present week is considerably above the average, comprising as it does, among others, four acts, any one of which might easily be featured as a headliner. Waldron, the female impersonator, is easily the best ever seen on a local stage and his work from beginning to end is full of merit and a mezzo-soprano voice, his dance are full of grace, and his costumes quite bewildering in their magnificence. Kathryn enter into their amusements and care for Osterman and Irving Brooks present a sketch that is admirably acted, although one can scarcely repress the feeling that the author of the piece showed questionable taste in making death the subject of a jest as he has done. Jennie Wetmore and com-

"Aunt Jerusha's City Visit," which differs from the usual run of rural sketches and is well presented. It was received by the probation. Miss Wetmore avoids the common fault of vaudevillians in that she does not overact her part, that of the country aunt, while the role of her young and gawky son is most admirably done by a young and the surroundings are more inviting." character actor whose name does not ap pear on the bill. The skit will serve well for a vaudeville feature, and there need place it on the stage in a pleasing manner. She is admirably adapted to the kind of there is no hesitancy in saying that she will make a hit. The Kings give one of the best acrobatic features ever seen in the city, and not the least amusing part of their work is the running fire of questions tribute a singing and dancing specialty that

Trocadero-Manager Rosenthal of Miaco's Trocadero both the afternoon and evening perform-Maidens were there and they gave one of the best vaudeville and burlesque shows of the season, a performance without a dull

is very good. Julius Witmark sang several

well. The pictures by the kinodrome com-

pleted the program.

moment from curtain to curtain.
"Pocahontas in New York," which opens the show, is the remantic story of John Smith and the Indian maiden brought up

infleage is made up entirely of features of the entertainment and acquit

The closing sketch, "Fun in the White House," again introduces the entire company in a mixup of songs, dances and company in Line has built sixty miles and the Indian Maidens is for the entire week.

METHODS ABOLISHED

Kindness Has Taken Place of Cruelty in Treatment of Incane.

CRIBS AND STRAIGHTJACKETS DISCARDED

Inmates of New York Asylums Are Quiet and Indemonstrative, Says Dr. Frederick F. Tent.

'Cribs, straightjackets and strong rooms are a thing of the past in the treatment Kindness has taken the place of cruelty. The old prison houses which were the insane asylums of ten years ago have given way to well-appointed hospitals and the patients are treated much the same where he spent a month irspecting various duties as superintendent of the Norfolk Hospital for the Insane.

Dr. Teal spent much of his time at the Middletown hospital and also visited the hamton and the Bellevue hospital for alcoholic insane. The Middletown hospital has 1,500 inmates and the hospital on Blackwells Island has 2,100 criminal insane patients. New York state has a lunacy commission. All the hospitals have been under the same management for nearly twenty years and have an enviable reputation for their improved methods of caring

"In the Middletown hospital the doctors showed me a number of cribs and straightand exhibit as curiosities," Dr. Teal continued. "The crib is a heavy wooden box covered with wooden slats. It used to be customary to lock violent patients in this affair and allow them to exhaust them-I was also shown a number of straightjackets, and then the doctors showed me the humane contrivances which have taken the place of these old instruments of torture. Sheets and bandages have been devised which will keep the most violent patient in bed without forcing upon him the idea that he is a prisoner Many more nurses and attendants are provided now than formerly and when patient gives trouble enough men are in attendance to handle him without force. Hot baths and other treatment which will improve his condition are resorted to and the cause of the raving is removed.

"Well-regulated insane hospitals have none of the shricking and confusion which marked the old-fashioned institution. In passing through the Middletown hospital one would not know that the patients are insane. They are quiet and well-behaved. There is no attempt to force them into obedience and as a result the patients do not seem to entertain the dislike for attendants which used to cause so much friction. Insane patients never forget a blow and are quick to resent it. A cruei

Entertainment for Inmates.

"Amusements are very important in the treatment of insane persons, and at Middictown much money is spent in entertain ing the patients. Every week a dance in given and concerts and theatrical companies are engaged to appear at the hospital. I was present at a masked ball given for the patients, and never saw people have a better time. There was the best of order and litentirely satisfactory. Miss Mabel Howard, the to indicate that the dancers were not in beir right minds. But little propriated in Nebraska for amusement features at the hospitals and I hope that the next legislature will be more liberal with the state's insane.

"In some of the New York institutions the cottage system was tried. Doctors mainthe author, swaggered about as the pro- tained that it was not well to have so many patients confined in buildings divided into wards, but the cottages were a failure. The patients did not like to be separated. Strange as it may seem, they are better contented when kept in large companies. In cottages the patients got lonesome and many of them became melancholy and longed to be back where they could associate with large number of people.

"None of the New York institutions I vis ited has as extensive grounds as the Nebraska hospitale, but the farms were all well kept and every opportunity is afforded the inmates for outdoor exercise. The men were playing ball and tennis and the women were engaged in various outdoor games. I was told by the superintendents that there thoroughly artistic. He sings very well, is one nurse or attendant to every nine patients. The attendants were to be seen everywhere with the patients and seemed to

them as if they were children. "When I went to the hospital for the criminal insane on Blackwells Island I supposed that I would find a very boisterous and unrully lot, but, on the contrary, it was the quietest institution I visited. The buildpany give a quietly humorous skit entitled ing is old and is not in as good repair as some of the other hospitals, but the pa tients are very quiet and orderly. They are keener and more deceptive than the inmates audience with all the hallmarks of ap- of other institutions, but are well-behaved In many respects the Nebraska hospitals are better than those in New York. The buildings are newer and many of them are bet

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DEADWOOD, S. D., Dec. 25 .- The output of gold from the Black Hills for the year 1900 will be about \$10,000,000, which is \$800. as persons who are suffering with any one more than it was the year previous malady," said Dr. Frederick F. Teal, who The year has been a profitable one in a has just returned from New York state, great many ways. Important discoveries of new ore bodies have been made, new hospitals preparatory to entering upon his mining districts have been opened up, important exeperiments have been made with the cyanide, electro-chlorinating and other processes, rare minerals have been found fifteen cyanide plants have been erected. hospitals at Blackwells Island and Bing- the Homestake company has added one third to its capacity, capitalists have been found to invest and the mining resources 1.500 patients. At Binghamton there are of the Black Hills have become especially attractive, both in the east and the west, Reached by the Northwestern line.

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