

Safety First

IN the railroad shops and yards and in loading and unloading cars, in the factories and industrial plants many accidents occur, in spite of every precaution taken. *Ninety per cent of them can be avoided* if the workman will only take time to *think*. The majority of these accidents result in the loss of fingers, an eye, a hand or foot or leg. Are you thinking of these members that are so valuable to you? Are you *thinking* what it means to *you* and your family to make a cripple of yourself?

Many a hand now badly crushed once earned good money. But it does not NOW and will never be able to earn full wages again. So the employer loses the services of many a good man, the community a good producer and the family a good provider. In the interest of all three, every accident avoided means conservation of productive power.

As everyone knows, many minor accidents, such as scratches and bruises, oftentimes result seriously because of neglect. Always take the time to go to **FIRST AID HEADQUARTERS** and have your small injuries attended to. If the importance of doing this could only be impressed upon everyone it would save a good deal of lost time and suffering.

Talk Safety as You Do Base Ball

All the safety devices we can install, all the safety signs we can post, will have little effect unless you are prevailed upon to take a personal interest in your own safety and that of your fellow men.

There were in one state alone last year 80,000 accidents in the factories, workshops and industrial

plants—80,000 men, women and girls injured or killed. Two thousand of these accidents were fatal and in these 2,000 fatal cases were many husbands and fathers of families who left widows and orphans behind. Seventy-eight thousand other persons lost their fingers, their hands, their eyes, their feet or their legs.

ISN'T THIS AN APPALLING RECORD?

Look Out For the Cars

Many deaths annually and many accidents that cripple for life are due to the habit of the public in walking on railroad tracks and to carelessness at crossings.

People use the railroad as a highway. They act at crossings as though caution were a thing that did not exist. Result, injury or death.

Don't walk on the tracks. Avoid passing through railroad yards, especially if you are a trespasser and have no business there. The cars will get you some time.

Look out for the cars at crossings. Don't attempt to cross, either afoot or by vehicle until you make sure the train is not coming.

Better Be Careful Than Crippled

An accident will make you careful. But it is foolish to lock the stable door after the horse is stolen. The payment of compensation, if you are a workman, or accident insurance if you are not, will not make up for the

loss of a hand or foot. The member is gone forever. No use to be careful after the mischief is done.

Better start now to think more of your personal safety—to place a higher value on life and limb.

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