of Due West. Efforts of other more the Associate Reformed Presbyterian

Passengers are now hauled at a loss

the round trip fare being fifty cents,

plicity of automobiles has worked a

part of the freight the roud formerly

hauled. President Galloway recently

sume patronizing the raffroad exclu-

The railroad equipment consists of

two locomotives, two passenger cars, a

combination passenger and express car

a flat car and a freight car. Most o

the freight is hauled in solid cars be-

The Due West railway has no high

salaried "dead head" officials, Presi-

dent Galloway explained. He is presi-

dent, treasurer, and general manager;

I. Brownlee is traffic manager and ev-

Twice each year the Due West rail-

way is swamped with traffic-at the

longing to other roads.

erything else.

lege year-for it is the only line

leading into the college town, famous

throughout the South. Due West is

educational center for the entire South.

ate Reformed Presbyterian institutions,

from all parts of the South.

Annually students come to Due West

There is an air about Due West that

is peculiar to it. There one never hur-

ries. It is quiet, studious, even schol-

templation is only disturbed by the

tooting of the Due West train whistle

in the week day. On the Sabbath a

brooding silence settles over the com-

munity, where now and then the sing-

Just a Locomotive.-A Boston man,

visiting a friend's household, found his

host's son one afternoon settled in the

library with a sheet of paper before

him and a pencil clasped in his fist.

Looking over the youngster's choulder the Hubbite saw that he was making

pictures. "Well, Albert," he asked

Slowly the child looked up and slowly he replied: "It would take a very

strong boy to draw an engine, but I

am making a picture of a locomotive."

ing of a Psalm may be heard.

Scottish Girls Preparing Yarmouth Bloaters



With the herring industry in full swing, the streets of Great Yarmouth, England, famous for decades for its "Yarmouth Bloaters," and as the tragedy scene in "David Copperfield," are enlivened by the smiling, rosy faces of the Scottish lassies, who come down every year from their Caledonian homes to help in the preservation of the wonderful harvest of the Eca. The girls work in tries and pool their earnings. Here they are salting the herring.

An Incorruptible Thief

By MARTHA McWILLIAMS

6. 1921, by McClure Newspaper Syndicate.

"Go to Jane Lauder and tell her I love her," a robust bass voice sang as Jane came down the steps. She made a face at the singer, then gave him her profile, a creamy cameo against her red sunshade, as she said: "Why don't you tell her yourself? Remember, procrastination is thief of time-

and no time like the present." "Please, I'm singin' to my dog Rough-Neck, trying to train him. You interrupted," the singer returned sadly, "which is very bad-for both of us. Tention, Roughy-you go tell, but don't say it with flowers-and you haven't words enough. That's luckyshe looks at you somp'n awful when you venture on candied speech-"

Don't you mean candid?" Jane broke in. The dog trainer frowned and shook his head. "I know what I mean-Roughy's the one that has to find out," he said. "Now old top, listen hard. Do-not-say-it-with flowers. She has all the flowers-and then some. But she has also a fine, almost athletic appetite-so recall the time when you fetched home to me a three-pound porterhouse steak-and, repeat the performance for her bene-

"So that's how you do it! No wonder you're such pals with Roughy," Jane cried joyously. "But aren't you silly-to share such a provider with

"Dear girl, there is method in my madness," Roughy's master explained airily. "It has suddenly dawned on your positive indifference to me is based on a craven fear of scant rations. Cupid solus is notoriously an indifferent commissary-but Cupid plus Roughy once you know what he 'can do-"

"I see." from Jane. "I also see that a prosperous future will depend very much on a happy choice of neighbors. Suppose Fate ordained us to live where such dissipations as porterhouse steaks were religiously frowned on?"

"Why! We might make out on legs of lamb-in a pinch-or even a fine fat fowl. A real chicken I fear Roughy would keep for himself," Ex-Captain Bledsoe explained. "At least he did-one time. I suppose his conscience excused him-real chickens being such rare birds."

"How did you find out?" Jane asked, pretending anxiety.

Bledsoe sighed. "He was tracked home," "That seemed to me felonious-considering we were service men. But the lady, party of the other part, said we owad her five dollars-two for the bird and the balance for the wear and tear on her feelings at doing without it.'

Jane swept him a curtsy. "It's glad I am you two got your come-uppance one time," she said in the best manner of Nora the cook. "And hope also It tenched ye a lesson-three dollars of chicken neither of ye ate is sinful extravagance."

"It is. You ought to save us from such things in future," Bledsoe acquiesced.

Over her shoulder Jane Lander, spoiled beauty and heiress, flung back at him: "I'll think about it-provided you don't put it on the ground of patriotic philanthropy."

"No danger of that-just pure plain philanthropy-which means, you know, love of your fellow man," Bledsoe called after her, whistling Roughy to heel and march away in the other direction. He was riotous-drunken with happiness. Free from gyves that had threatened to hold him for life. He had laughed in the face of them even as he had laughed in the face of hideaus death, always leading, though he might crawl through a hail of bullets, sparing his men where and how he might, but never sparing himself. There seemed a magic in such bardihood-he had come back without a scratch-without also the precious trinkets, orders, crosses, what notwhich he called "hardware de luxe"that rewarded other men of no greater courage nor daring. There was no injustice in it-he had resolutely refused to tell of his own exploits. More, had begged silence of the others who might have spoken. They had obeyed, not too cheerfully, until he said To them: "I want to go back myself, and all of you who lived

through with me, knowing and feeling that nothing can distinguish us more than the title of plain American citizen. If any of you don't agree with me I'll help you get the hardware. Scorn it? Not a bit-just feel that it doesn't fit my peculiar style of beau-

So he escaped. Other things he did not escape. One of them, sweet and twenty, piquantly pretty, with an adorable way of murmuring broken English, had made him believe himself fathoms deep in love. They had parted on a promise-hers to come to him when a doting grandmother could be prevailed on to let her leave. He had meant to keep faith-he had kept it indeed, until Jane had dawned-a sun putting out all lesser lights.

Now Felice had written a tear blotted brief note. She could not leave grandmere-besides there was the young count. Ever so grand a family -with a chateau-handsome, and deep in love with her, though she had not yet spoken with him-had seen him but mic. Bledsoe kissed the paper there, albeit he was normally vain, maratring half aloud: "Thank the Lord for titles and chateaus and things, Three rousing cheers, and then some, to all the aristocracy."

Then only he had set about courting Jane in earnest. Earlier he had felt It would be insult. Now in the very back of his consciousness he wondered if his scruples might not cost ffim his happiness. He was in no fear of the ruck swarming after her, but John Lapsley was the devil to beat, once his mind was made up not to be beaten. He had shown that overseas no less than Bledsoe himself.

When one speaks or even thinks of the sun, sometimes one beholds his rays. A motor-horn, viciously insistent, made Bledsoe turn to face Jane and Lapsley, beckoning to him and laughing bard. "You-you have to show us," Jane panted: "The major says you're an immortal liar-about Roughy, you know. Is he good and hungry now?" Bledsoe nodded. "Theh come along home with us; we'll stage a show worth money, if only you can repeat it Thursday night.'

"Can-but I won't. Objects of my affection are not be exploited commercially," Bledsoe protested, clambering in beside the pair: "Shame you haven't got the limousine Jack," he said to Lapsley. "But the running board will serve in a pinch you can't pry Roughy from anything that holds Three hours later the executive

committee for a benefit for Disabled Veterans gathered after a specially fine luncheon upon the Lander lawn, watching with all its eyes. Bledsoe, standing negligently apart, pinched Roughy's ear lightly, sighing; "Hungry, old top?" Instantly the dog darted away, not toward the house, but in the direction of a remote neighbor. Ten minutes after he came back wagging his tail and dragging daintily not a porterhouse but a Tbone steak of lordly proportions, which he laid at his master's feet. Bledsoe patted him, but shook his head, Roughy snatched up the steak, ran away with it to a flower bed, buried it deftly, if lightly, and was off again. In a wink he was back, tugging gallantly at an unwieldy fat goose. Bledsoe took it from him, but again shook his head, silently. Off went Roughy, his legs fairly twinkling-to return with a fine broiler, not dead but alive.

Then indeed there was clapping and cheering, Lapsley caught Bledsoe, shook him hard, and cried: "If only we had had him over yonder!" "Would have come in handy-but I need him here. You see I'm going to undertake the support of a family," walking boldly to Jane's side; "so need the help of this incorruptible thief to provide for it," Bledsoe said, but laughter drowned his words.

> The Empty, Raggedy Stockings

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What of the empty, raggedy stockings
That will hang by the chimney on Christmas eve,
With their mute appeals from the poor little owners
To the dear old Santa in whom they believe?

For their share of his presents they ask such a little,
"Just a dolly to hold in my arms while I sleep,
A little tin auto that runs when you wind it,
A sounding red drum or a woolly white sheep."

The only light in their dim, dark existence Is that wonderful day when old Santa will come
With his treasure filled pack that he brings on his back
From his fairyland, snowyland, toyland home.

What beautiful dreams will come to them sleeping But what of the empty, raggedy stockings
That will hang by the chimney on Christmas morn?

MRS. H. C. SEARCY, in the Chicago Tribune, WELL STREET, S

An Old Time Christmas Carol

HE following interesting carol is THE following interesting carol is preserved in Poor Robin's Almanac for 1695. It is of interest is throwing light on the material side of the old-time Christmas celebrations. 'Minced" ples are referred to, it will be noticed—a term never heard nowadays. And instead of plum pudding there is "plum porridge." The carol reveals, too, that the material for Christmas decorations was fuller in the old days, including holly, ivy, bay,

rosemary and "lawrel." Now, thrice-welcome Christmas, which brings us good cheer, Minced ples and plum porridge, good ale and strong beer:

With pig, goose and capon, the best that so well doth the weather and our stom-Observe how the chimneys do smoak all

The cooks are providing for dinner, no But those on whose tables no victuals

O, may they keep Lent all the rest of the year! With holly and ivy, so green and so gay, We deck up our houses as fresh as the With bays and rosemary, and lawrel

And everyone now is king of conceit. But as for curmudgeons, who will not be free, I wish they may die on the three-legged

It is of interest to learn that the well known and oft used couplet, "Christmas comes but once a year, and when it comes it brings good cheer." originally appeared in a mock Christmas play of the Fifteenth century. Here are the lines:

Bounce buckram, velvets dear, Christmas comes but once a year And when it comes it brings good cheer,

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HEN we weave garlands of Christmas greenery, each branch of foliage typifies some ancient virtue, suggests a hoary superstition and carries a meaning far beyond that with which a decorator regards it.

According to the ancients the laurel communicates the spirit of poetry. To gain poetic inspiration a man should sleep with a sprig of laurel under his

Bay has several meanings. It has always been associated with victory, while it is supposed to protect the wearer from lightning. The withering and shriveling of its leaves was said to foretell death, which may account for the superstition that evergreens should not remain in the house after Twelfth night.

The Romans used to send one another sprigs of holly as emblems of good luck. Immortality is denoted by the yew. For this reason it is always used to decorate churches at Christ. other sprigs of holly as emblems of good luck. Immortality is denoted by used to decorate churches at Christmas_time.-Tit-Bits.

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CLASS AND CASTE FORGOTTEN

Christmas Season Is One Period of the Year When All People Are Equal.

THIS is the season of equality, the one brief period of the year when the Christianized world momentarily forgets class and caste. Rich and poor, great and lowly, good and had, today stand more nearly on a and bad, today stand more nearly on a foofing of equality than they have stood since the last Yuletide, or than they will stand for another year.

For this is the Christmas season and Christmas belongs to the child. and untutored childhood knows no caste. It is only from grown-ups that the little ones learn false standards 3 of social place.

In every human heart that is not calloused to all joy or sorrow, or dead to the finest emotions of manhood and womanhood, there is enshrined some child, either dead or living-for child love is the universal emotion of the soul.

For this brief season, then, let childhood take our gnarled hand of sophistry and beguile us by the finger back to a fleeting glimpse of that lotus iand of equality we once knew and can know only once.

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A railroad which has had no labor troubles in fourteen years, a railroad which has never had an accident in its history, a railroad which has never run train on Sunday but ence, a railroad which has never hauled a drop of whiscy even in pre-prohibition days, a railroad which today is out of debt, such is the record of the Due West railway, according to an interview given a Greenwood newspaper man by Prestdent R. S. Galloway, the directing genius of the system.

The record of the Due West railway line running from the quaint old college town of Due West to Donalds, the junction point with the Southern and Piedmont and Northern, is unique in the history of railroading in the United States. The road is five miles long, standard gauge, using locomotives which a few years ago would have been regarded as fair sized engines.

President Galloway believes that no railroad in the United States or the world has a record which can equal that of the Due West railway. The system, if a line five miles long can be called a system, is owned by the community composed of God-fearing, Sabbath-observing members of the Associate Reformed Presbyterian faith.

Once on Sunday. So strict is the observance of the Sabbath at Due West that one of the iron-clad rules of the road is that no train shall run on the Sabbath, Only once has the ru'e been broken, and that time only in the effort to save a human

A woman was ill and physicians declared that it was necessary to take her to the hospital in the shortest possible time. The roads were impassable that particular Sabbath. Friends of the sick woman approached President, Galloway of the Due West railway and asked if he would permit the train to carry the patient to Donalds to board a train for Columbia. In the circumstances, he consented to break the rule against running the train on the Sabbath. Calling Jim Rowland, the engineer, into his office, he said, "Jim, you can run this engine today but don't blow the whistle." The train was run, but the blast of no whistle broke the

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or been a strike or any labor trouble of at \$24,000 and has bought \$40,000 worth beginning and ending of each colany kind. There are no brotherhoods of new equipment since it began operor unions in the Due West railway Ltions fourteen years ago. system. Jim Rowland, the engineer, All of the stock is owned by citizens ran the first engine and has been running the engines on the Due West rail- powerful railway lines to acquire the way ever since. When he is sick, Row- railway have been unsuccessful, the In it are situated Erskine college and land Hawthorne, a relative of his, who citizens of the community holding on Due West Femals college, both Associis now agent at Due West, runs the en- to their stock, so that they could dicgine. Hawthorne was first fireman, tate the policies of the road. then conductor and now agent, also having been with the road since its Been Operated on Sunday-President formation. Ben Magi'l is now conduc- President Galloway said. The multi-

> hardship on the railroad and has cur- arly. One takes time to dream, to tailed traffic. Trucks have also taken build air castles, to think. One's con-President Personally Supervises. President Galloway personally superses work on his railway. He knows every inch of the five miles of track placed the matter before citizens, who and regularly inspects it. When a reporter seeking to interview him a few agreed to cease using trucks and to redays ago, finally found him, he was disively. He now looks for better times. recting the building of a trestle over a small ravine. With his long black coat

lending a hand wherever needed. "I haven't got time to talk now," he told the newspaper man, "I've got to get this trestle fixed in time for the next train."

hanging on a plum bush nearby, he was

President Galloway is a Southern gentleman of the old school; a kindly, ruddy face, a white pointed beard, t white standing collar and neat black tie. His manner was not brusk, but he explained politely that he must have the track in shape for the next train to pass over. Due West could not be cut off by his failure to repair a trestle.

But the old gentleman did talk; talked while the newspaper man followed him about as he assisted and directed in building the trestle.

"We've never had an accident," added. "This railroad has always tried to do what was right and I believe Divine Providence has protected us and kept us from serious accident.

"Of course we've had minor accidents, such as side-swiping a few freight cars, which cost us about \$15 but we've never smashed an automobile or run over anything. We have never had a damage suit in the history of the road and hope we never will."

"Big business hay say what it pleases about efficiency, but the Due West railway obeys the laws of God, and 1 believe a Divine Will directs and protects us," the picturesque old Southerner and pious churchman reverently

declared. • When President Galloway is not supervising the operation of the railroad he is editing The A. R. Presbyterian, the official organ of the Associate Reformed Presbyterian church in South Carolina. Six days he does this and on the seventh not a cog moves; he and all the rest of Duc West rest or go to worship in the old white church.

Road Has Made Money.

The Due West railway has been a Sabbath stillness. Since that time money-maker up until last year when several years ago, it has never been it felt the business depression which necessary to run the train on Sunday, has swept the country, President Gal-Since the first train was run over the loway said. All of the earnings it has Due West railway on December 24, put back in equipment and in improv-1907, fourteen years ago, there has nev- ing the road. The road was capitalized

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