

Mark Twain's Apology.

Mark Twain was recently at a dinner of the Stanley Club in Paris, and being called upon for a speech, in thus reported by the *Continental Gazette*:

"Mr. Ryan said to me just now that I'd got to make a speech. I said to Mr. Ryan, 'The news came too late to save Roger McPherson.' It is sad to know that some things come too late, and when I look around upon this brilliant assembly I feel disappointed to think what a nice speech I might have made, what fine topics I might have found in Paris to speak about among these historic monuments, the architectuer of Paris, the tower of Notre Dame, the caves and other ancient things. Then I might have said something about the objects of which Paris folks are fond—literature, art, medicine, (then taking a card from his vest pocket as if to take a glance at his notes) and adultery. But the news came too late to save Roger McPherson. Perhaps you are not as well acquainted with McPherson as I am? Well I'll explain who McPherson was. When we sailed from New York there came aboard a man all haggard—a mere skeleton, on the voyage we often heard him say to himself: 'The news came too late to save McPherson.' I got interested, and wanted to know about the man, so I asked him who was McPherson, an he said, 'I am McPherson; but the news came too late to save Roger McPherson.' How much too late? I asked. 'About three weeks too late,' he replied. 'I'll tell you how it happened. A friend of mine died and they told me I must take his body on the cars to his parent's in Illinois. I said I'd do it, and they gave me a card with the address and told me to go down to the depot and put it on the box I'd find there, have the box put in the baggage car, and go right along with it to Illinois. I found the box all right, and nailed the card on it, and then I went into the depot and got a sandwich. I was walking around, eating my sandwich, and I passed by the baggage-room, and there was my box with a young man looking at it, and he had a card in his hand. I felt like going up to the young man, and saying, 'Stranger, that's my corpse.' But I didn't. I walked on, ate my sandwich, and when I looked in again the young man was gone; but there was that card right on that box. I went and looked on that card. It was directed to Col. Jenkins, Cleveland, Ohio. So I looked in the car and there was my box all right. Just before the train started a man came into the baggage car and laid a lot of limberger cheese down on my box; he didn't know what was in my box, you know, and I didn't know what was in his paper, but I found out later. It was an awful cold night, and after we started the baggage-master came in. So he shut all the doors and all the windows, built a rousing coal fire in the stove; then he took turns fixing the car and poking the fire till I began to smell something and feel uncomfortable, so I moved as far away from the corpse as I could and Johnston says to me, 'A friend of yours? Did he die lately? This year I mean.' Says I, 'I'll fix it; so I opened a window, and we took turns breathing the fresh air. We stopped at a station, and when we started off again, Johnson came in with a bottle of disinfectant, and says, 'I've got something now that'll fix it. So he sprinkled it all round, over the box, the limberger and everything; but it wouldn't do, the smell didn't mix well. Johnston said, 'Just think of it. We have all got to die, all got to come to this. Then we thought we'd move the box to one end of the car: so we stooped over it: I took one end and he took the other, but we couldn't get it far. Johnson says, 'We'll freeze to death if we stay out on the platform, we'll die if we stay in here.' So we took hold of it again; but Johnson, he couldn't stand it, he fell right over. I dragged him out on the platform and the cold air soon brought him to, and we went in the car to get warm. 'What are we going to do?' asked Johnson, and he looked ill. 'We are sure to have typhoid fever and a half a dozen other fevers. We're pizen'd, we are!' At last we thought it was better to go out on the platform. In an hour and a half I was taken off that platform stiff, nearly frozen to death. They put me in bed, and I had all them fevers that Johnson spoke about. You see the thing worked on my mind. I don't put do me no good to learn, three weeks after, that there had been a mistake—that my corpse had gone to Colonel Jenkins, Cleveland, and that I'd taken his box of rifles for decent burial to Illinois. The news came too late to save Roger McPherson—about three weeks too late. Amid roars of applause Mr. Twain closed by saying, 'When I am not prepared to speak I always apologise, and that's the reason I told you so much about Roger McPherson.'

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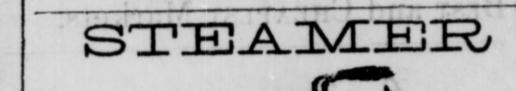
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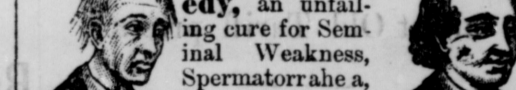
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TIME TABLE NO. 12. Summer Arrangement.

ON AND AFTER TUESDAY, MAY 27th, 1879.

TRAINS GOING WEST.

STATIONS.	Nos. 1 & 3, Express.	No. 5, Mixed.	No. 7, Mixed.
Georgetown	Dp. 7.10am	Dp. 3.45pm	
Cardigan	Ar. 7.30 " "	Ar. 4.14 " "	
Mt Stwt Jc	Dp. 8.40 " "	Dp. 6.00 " "	
Royalty Jc	Ar. 9.38 " "	Ar. 7.18 " "	
Ch'town	Ar. 9.55 " "	Ar. 7.40 " "	
Royalty Jc	Dp. 6.20am	Dp. 10.05am	Dp. 5.25pm
NWiltsh're	" 6.37 " "	" 10.25 " "	" 5.47 " "
Hunter R'r	" 7.13 " "	" 11.25 " "	" 6.40 " "
Breadalb'n	" 7.25 " "	" 11.40 am "	" 6.57 " "
C'ty Line	" 7.53 " "	" 12.23pm "	" 7.35 " "
Kensingt'n	" 8.00 " "	" 12.34 " "	" 7.45 " "
S'mm'rside	" 8.28 " "	" 1.16 " "	" 8.25 " "
Wellingt'n	Ar. 8.55 " "	Ar. 1.50 " "	Ar. 9.00 " "
Port Hill	Dp. 9.10 " "	Dp. 2.25 " "	
O'Leary	Ar. 9.48 " "	" 3.20 " "	
Alberton	" 10.20 " "	" 4.07 " "	
Tignish	" 11.17 " "	" 5.31 " "	
	" 12.00pm "	" 6.40 " "	
	" 12.40 " "	Ar. 7.40pm "	

TRAINS GOING EAST.

STATIONS.	Nos. 2 & 4, Express.	No. 6, Mixed.	No. 8, Mixed.
Tignish	Dp. 5.15am	Dp. 6.20am	
Alberton	" 5.55 " "	Ar. 7.15 " "	
O'Leary	" 6.41 " "	" 8.54 " "	
Port Hill	" 7.38 " "	" 10.20 " "	
Wellington	" 8.09 " "	" 11.08 " "	
S'mm'rside	Ar. 8.45 " "	Ar. 12.05pm "	Dp. 9.05 am
Kensingt'n	Dp. 5.30pm	Dp. 12.40 " "	" 9.41 " "
C'ty Line	" 5.52 " "	" 1.16 " "	" 10.20 " "
Breadalb'n	" 6.24 " "	" 1.55 " "	" 11.07 " "
Hunter R'r	" 6.31 " "	" 2.05 " "	" 11.31 " "
NWiltsh're	" 6.57 " "	" 2.44 " "	" 11.25 " "
Royalty Jc	" 7.12 " "	" 3.01 " "	" 12.18pm
Ch'town	Ar. 8.05 " "	Ar. 4.15 " "	Ar. 12.40 " "
Royalty Jc	Dp. 4.30pm	Dp. 6.50 am	
M. Stwt Jc	" 4.49 " "	" 7.13 " "	
Cardigan	Ar. 5.45 " "	Ar. 8.30 " "	
Geo'town	Dp. 6.00 " "	Dp. 8.50 " "	
	" 7.03 " "	" 10.16 " "	
	Ar. 7.25 " "	Ar. 10.45 " "	

SOURIS BRANCH.

Trains Going West.

STATIONS.	No. 9 Express	No. 11 Mixed.
Souris	Dp. 6.15 a. m.	Dp. 2.50 p. m.
Harmony	" 6.33 " "	" 3.13 " "
St. Peter's	" 7.30 " "	" 4.29 " "
Morell	" 7.53 " "	" 5.00 " "
Mt. St'wt Jnc.	Ar. 8.25 " "	Ar. 5.40 p. m.

Trains Going East.

STATIONS.	No. 10 Express	No. 12, Mixed
Mt. St'wt Junc.	Dp. 5.55 p. m.	Dp. 8.45 a. m.
Morell	" 6.27 " "	" 9.25 " "
St. Peter's	" 6.50 " "	" 9.56 " "
Harmony	" 7.47 " "	" 11.12 " "
Souris	Ar. 8.05 " "	Ar. 11.35 " "

ALEX. MACNAB, Sup't and Engineer. Railway Office, Ch'town, May 22, 1879. —pat pres h a ne sp sj ka Gi

MAIL NOTICE.

MAILS for Great Britain will be closed at 10 o'clock, p. m., on THURSDAY in each week, to be forwarded via Rimouski, and also on MONDAY, the 9th and 23rd June, at 4 o'clock, a. m., to be forwarded via Halifax.

Mails to be forwarded via Summerside and Shediac and also for all places on the route to Summerside and in Prince County, will be closed daily at 5.30 o'clock, a. m., also for Summerside direct, at 5 p. m.

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