### RIDING ON WET RAILS. ONE EXPERIENCE OF TRAVELLERS AMID A DELUGE.

How Passengers on the Grand Southern East Bound Through Express Employed Themselves on Monday Night - Some of the Exploits of Superintendent Holt.

When the west-bound through express on the Grand Southern railway reached Lepreau on Monday, the passengers were

hungry. There were six of them. Six people collectively do not represent as much hunger as sixty, but individually a given six can be as hungry as six hundred. So these particular six passengers were as hungry as any reasonable enemy of theirs could want them to be.

They had left St. George at 11.20, and the rnn to Lepreau had taken six hours. Considering the state of the track, this was not bad time. Nobody had any right to complain.

Nobody did complain of anything but hunger. Only one man made any mention of that. He said what he thought, while the others thought what they did not say. The smell of fried ham was wafted with tantalizing clearness through the moist evening air. A house where supper could be had was temptingly near.

But Lepreau is not a regular refreshment station. Superintendent Holt with an engine and flat car was just ahead repairing the bridge, and it would not do to have anything irregular when he was around. As he said nothing about how long it would take him to repair the bridge the passengers were atraid to leave the train lest it should suddenly leave them.

It took something more than half an hour to complete the repairs. Then with increasingly sharp appetites the passengers were borne towards Musquash.

This haven of rest and refreshment was sighted in about half an hour. Then the train came to a full stop. The passengers looked out and saw "the lights of the village gleam through the rain and the mist."

They also saw some water. There was about a foot of it over the track and two or three feet over all the rest of the country. It was impossible for them to get out and walk. It was equally impossible for the train to move ahead.

The roadbed was all right, for the pilot engine had gone ahead in safety, and the genial superintendent was in the land of promise. He had, however, left a souvenir in the form of a flat-car which had jumped the rails.

It was a well built and well disposed flat-car. It had run freely and patiently over the worst parts of the road, and would have rolled gleefully into Musquash had it been given half a chance. When an attempt was made to pull it along with the brake hard down, however, it gave a vigorous kick, and landed some of its wheels on the roadbed.

To the ordinary mind, the most natural and obvious course would have been to take off the brake and pull the car on again. It was canted so that this would not have been an extraordinary feat of engineering, especially when the superintendent and engineer-in-chief was there to give his counsel. Mr. Holt thought otherwise. He sec a much more simple and easy way out of the difficulty.

He ordered the coupling pin to be drawn and steamed into Musquash. The car, with the brake hard on, remained on the roadbed in the way of the hungry pas-

To the credit of Mr. Holt, it should be said that he did not intend to wholly abandon the derailed rolling stock. When he ordered the pin to be pulled, he remarked that the car could he there until daylight.

When the six hungry passengers found themselves on a train stalled in a waste of water, with a big obstruction ahead of them, they began to despair. Two of them were young ladies, who had started from St. Stephen, and been on the road all day. Matters began to look serious. Even the venerable political economist, who had been preaching philosophy and enlarging on the benefits of abstinence, grew sad and silent. As a morning daily would say, "the sad event cast a deep gloom over the entire community." Things

were dark enough. Dark figuratively and literally. The "first class" car was one which had been mustered out of service after a life of usefulness on the Boston & Maine road. It had its full complement of lamps, but some of them had no oil, others had no chimneys and most of them had no wicks. Out of the entire lot lot just one could be found to burn with a dim and uncertain flame. The

second-class car was in total darkness. It was at this juncture that the glories of the lamp that would burn were forgotten in a hasty rush of the male passengers for the black and forbidding second-class car. Something eatable had been found. Two fishermen returning from Pocologan had by chance brought back some broken pilot bread. There were also the remains of a tin of butter. The find was appropriated. Some of it was sent to the ladies, while the philosopher who preached abstinence ate

the most of what was left. Meanwhile the train men worked like beavers-in the water and with sundry "dams"-to get back on the track the car that the superintendent had left in their path. After working about two hours and a half they succeeded, and Musquash was

reached at 9.40 local time.

Supper was ready. Everybody knew that, and that was all that anybody knew, except that the track ahead was out of order. Whether it would be repaired that night no one could tell. The general impression was that the train would keep on

The other train, which had left St. John at noon, was on the siding, where it had been since 1.30. It was full of passengers, who had been sent from the New Brunswick | ton. road, and had thought to make a short and uncomfortable run to St. Stephen. They were equally ignorant of the intentions of the management, and most of them were camping in the cars. As they had plenty of light and fuel, they were very well off,

When it became clear that the trains would stay at Musquash all night, it was without beds. About this time the light ed in his presence upon the public scales?" of the solitary lamp on the up-train showed symptoms of immediate dissolution. It was revived by collecting what oil was left in the other lamps, which were without wicks. The coal being out, the fire was replenished from time to time during the night by pickets from the neighbors' fences. And for all that the crowd was not

a happy one. The road was repaired by 11 o'clock the next day. It might have been mended sooner had the construction train brought any constructing material along with it. As it did not, the men had to go back to Lepreau to get enough sleepers to do the job. There were plenty of sleepers at Peter Byne's, in Musquash, but the superintendent appeared to think that Sam Stafford's sleepers would suit him better, and so he went after them. This took two or three hours more.

Mr. Holt did not return with the conand the repairs were rapidly made. Indeed, in regard to the actual work done on both days, no one could find fault. The sting of the journey lay in the preventible

When the train did get a clear track, from Musquash to Carleton, it went with a rush, and reached the end of its journey at noon, standard.

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