

TRIALS OF A TICKET MAN.

He Can Endure All but the Questions of People Who Never Travel.

A prominent Pittsburg passenger agent, in a conversation with a reporter of that city, gave a few interesting facts relative to the everyday experience of the average city passenger man, which those not directly connected with the business know nothing about. He said:

"It is a singular fact the number of people who visit our office daily and the curious questions they ask with regard to railroad rates, etc., when very often they have no notion whatever of leaving the city and as a matter of fact have not traveled any worth mentioning. For six years there has been a very singular character who has made an annual visit to this office. I have no idea from whence he cometh or whither he goeth, but he always asks the selfsame questions and goes away apparently satisfied with the information he has received. I always expect him in the springtime, generally about the 1st of April, when the sun's rays grow warmer.

"Then my quaint old friend comes to see me. I should judge him to be at least 80 years of age. He is stooped and feeble, with hair as white as snow, but well dressed, wears a silk hat and carries a cane and talks in a nervous, jerky manner. He invariably opens up with, 'What's the rate to Boston?' I tell him, and his eyes light up as he waddles out with always the same observation. 'Well, by gum, that's cheap cheap!' If the old man would tell his story, it might have a tinge of pity in it. Perhaps he has a son or daughter in the Hub City whom it has been his cherished hope to see for all these years.

"The biggest out and out nuisance we have to deal with are persons who come here with no other intention than to collect all the railroad literature they can. They have no notion of going away, but they grab everything in sight in the way of time tables and other information bearing on tourists' points in the north, east, south and west. They greedily gather pamphlets, circulars and booklets treating on climate and resources. I don't know what these collectors do with the stuff they get here, but some of them must have a prize assortment.

"Then the man who travels from one end of the country to the other is the person who invariably pushes into the office and in a brusque manner asks for a time table of the line he is about to take. It is given him, of course, and without so much as glancing at the schedule it is stuffed into his pocket, and his next question is, 'When does my first train leave?' It never seems to occur to him to look on the time table. So it goes. Sometimes people ask me questions until I'm afraid the buttons will drop off my coat, but after all we manage to get along with our patrons remarkably well."—Pittsburg Post.

Ahead of All Other Men.

"See that man?" said one of the two people who were talking about success in life.

"Yes."

"He has left behind lots of people who struggled to overtake him."

"Who is he?"

"Conductor on a cable car."—Washington Star.

In China the name Chang is pronounced "Jong," with the long sound on the "o." This may account for the nickname "John" as applied to Chinamen.

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