



RIO GRANDE OBSERVATION CAR.

Provided for the Purpose of Giving Tourists a Chance to See the Wonders of the Royal Gorge.

Always looking out for new ideas, General Passenger Agent S. K. Hooper of the Denver & Rio Grande railway has put into commission an observation car that has proved a winner during the ten days it has been in operation. Observation cars attached to Rio

Grande trains have been an old story. The drawback to them, however, has been that only a few lucky ones who got front seats could view the glories of the scenery between Pueblo and Glenwood Springs. Maj. Hooper and his assistants put on their thinking caps, with the result that the open-top

observation cars are now a reality and have been in commission through the Royal Gorge since June 1. How popular they are is testified to by the fact that although they can carry over 50 passengers, they are always crowded with tourists. The accompanying picture gives a good idea of the new cars.

WOMAN WROTE POEM.

Mrs. A. A. Lindsey Wins \$100 Prize Offered for Best Ballad on the Trail.

Portland.—"John Malcolm Graham," winner of the prize of \$100 for the best ballad on the trail, offered by Mr. J. N. Fleischner, chairman of the exploitation and publicity committee for the Lewis and Clark exposition, turns out to be a woman, Mrs. A. A. Lindsey, who for a year past has resided in Portland. Mrs. Lindsey is the wife of a former state treasurer of Washington. She is a graduate of the Michigan university at Ann Arbor.

The winning poem was mailed to the publicity committee, signed "John Malcolm Graham, General Delivery." When the judges announced their decision, no one knew who "John Malcolm Graham" was, the name not appearing in the Portland city directory.

Nearly 400 writers of verse throughout the country, some of them widely known, competed for the prize. The judges stated that if there had been a second prize it would have been awarded to Robertus Love, the Missouri poet, at present residing in Portland. His poem is entitled "The Dream of the Star," a song of the Oregon trail, and it will be published shortly in an eastern magazine. Mr. Love, by the way, is the man who named the trail, the suggestion being made in a letter from him to Secretary Reed of the exposition about two years ago. The fitness of the name for the amusement street of the exposition lies in its application to the famous old Oregon trail, and "hitting the trail" has become the familiar slogan of the fair.

Mrs. Lindsey's poem is deemed peculiarly fitting for the purpose, as it brings out in strong, snappy language the hit and swing of the rider "hitting the trail" to the westward, shows forth the development brought about by the pioneers, and gives due honor to Lewis and Clark. The winning poem follows:

THE TRAIL.

The call comes, strong and insistent,
Out of the west—Oh, hark!
Follow through hail and sun the trail
Blazed by Lewis and Clark!

On with the blanket and saddle,
Ride like the devil possessed,
Swift on the way by night and day,
Hit the trail to the west!

Sting of the wind in our faces,
Crunching of hoofs on sand—
Whate'er betide, pause not, but ride
Straight to the promised land.

Whiteness of sails on the ocean,
Gleaming of gold in the hills,
Glory of grain and the harvest wain,
Curling of smoke from the mills.

Off with the saddle and blanket,
Kindle our hearthfires' spark—
Here's all hail to the westward trail
Blazed by Lewis and Clark.

LEWIS AND CLARK NEWS.

The Lewis and Clark exposition is now wide open. Hit the Trail!

Every day is a special day at the Lewis and Clark exposition. Important events take place daily. There is music by the best bands in the world, and it costs you nothing to hear the concerts. On the Trail you may hear music played by people of various nationalities, on the odd instruments peculiar to each land.

A brilliant banquet and reception to the vice president of the United States was the program of Thursday night at the Lewis and Clark exposition. The function was held in the New York state building. The guests included a dozen United States senators, half a dozen governors and about 20 congressmen.

The Lewis and Clark exposition is a dream of loveliness in its June dress of verdure and flowers. Flowers run riot, perfuming the air; the grass is gloriously green; the big fir trees in Centennial park, the western part of the grounds, add a touch of the real forest to the forestry buildings, and everywhere there are flowers and shrubs and in profusion.

For \$5.00 you can see every show on the Trail at the Lewis and Clark exposition, and they number 23. As a rule the prices for admission to the Trail shows are considerably lower than the prices that were charged on the Pike at St. Louis. Some of the best attractions at St. Louis have been brought to Portland, but most of the shows are new and novel.

Five hundred men worked night and day during the last few days preceding the opening of the Lewis and Clark exposition, and the transformation that took place on the grounds and buildings was amazing. In a single hour half a mile of railroad track was removed from the ground, and a few hours later the rough road where the track had run was smoothed off and rolled hard.

Elbert Hubbard, the Philistine, has written that he will attend the Lewis and Clark exposition on Roycroft day, October 5, and deliver an address.

The Missouri Society of Oregon, with headquarters at Portland, has prepared to entertain visitors from Missouri at

the Lewis and Clark exposition. All Missourians will be shown.

Homer Davenport, the famous cartoonist, has arrived in Portland to remain during the summer in charge of his pheasant farm at the Lewis and Clark exposition. Mr. Davenport was

born and reared at Silverton, Or., about 40 miles from Portland.

The huge dinosaur brought to the Lewis and Clark exposition from the Smithsonian institution was so long that its tail had to be cut off in order to get it into a car, but the taxider-



BEAUTIFUL STATUE OF GEN. JOHN B. GORDON.

Solo H. Borglum, a New York sculptor, has been chosen by the Gordon Memorial association of Atlanta, Ga., to make from his model a \$25,000 equestrian statue in bronze of the late Gen. John B. Gordon, of Confederate fame. The statue will be more than life size. It will be paid for by popular subscriptions of Confederate army veterans, and is to be presented by the old soldiers to the city of Atlanta, Ga. The statue is to be placed upon a hill facing the capitol in Atlanta, on the capitol grounds, and will be unveiled on the memorial day observed by the ex-soldiers.



FRANK GOULD LOSES \$2,000,000.

The latest excitement in the business world is the loss of a fortune by Frank Gould in the Merchant's Trust company, amounting to \$2,000,000. Of this amount it is said Mr. Gould may realize something on the Virginia Passenger & Power company's securities. Mr. Gould, with some other capitalists, had been contemplating for some time the establishment of a Gould bank in New York, when he suddenly invested in Merchant's Trust, paying \$2,000,000 for his stocks at the rate of \$200 per share. After he had loaned the company collapsed. Mr. Gould and George E. Fisher are now fighting for the remnants of the Power company.

ists have replaced the tail so artistically that one can't see the joint.

There is a probability that Governor Higgins of New York will visit the Lewis and Clark exposition. Among other noted chief executives who have declared their purpose to attend are Governor Folk of Missouri, Governor Hoch of Kansas, Governor Johnson of Minnesota and Governor Vardaman

of Mississippi. Governor Pardee of California will spend a considerable portion of the summer in the California state building, with Mrs. Pardee and four daughters. The California building has 15 bed chambers.

Millet's famous picture, "The man with the Hoe," may be seen in the museum of art at the Lewis and Clark exposition. This is the picture which

inspired Edwin Markham's celebrated poem of the same name, and it is interesting to note that Markham was born but 12 miles from the exposition site.

Most of the Official receptions at the Lewis and Clark exposition are to be held in the New York state building, which has been tendered for the purpose. A brilliant list of such functions

will follow the initial one, a reception to the vice president of the United States, the evening of June 1.

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