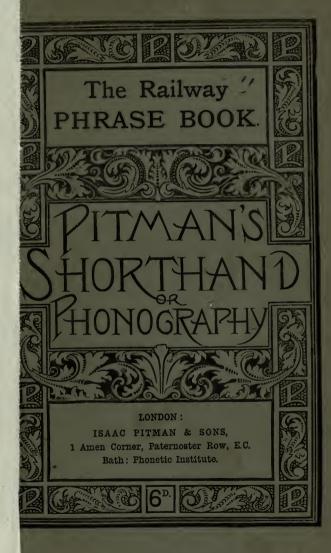


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PREFACE.

As the use of Phonography to expedite business by the clerks employed on our principal lines of railway is now becoming general, it may interest the reader to know that the first Company that accepted shorthand writing for conducting railway business, was the Manchester, Sheffield and Lincolnshire Railway Com-Through the recommendation of the Chairman, Sir Edward W. Watkin, Mr Henry Pitman was engaged, about 1860, to teach a class of the clerks of that Company. The result was satisfactory, and the instructions have been continued to the present time. The chairman has often spoken publicly of the value of Phonography in facilitating business, and in increasing the pay of shorthand clerks. Soon after this, Sir Edward Watkin, who is also Chairman of the South Eastern Railway Company, with the approval of the Board, engaged Mr Fred. Pítman to teach the clerks on that line. In 1863 Mr Carson, of Salford, Manchester, taught the clerks of the Manchester, Sheffield, and Lincolnshire Railway at Sheffield. Subsequently he was engaged from 1866 to 1870, by order of the Directors, in instructing the clerks on the London and North Western, the Great Northern, the Midland, and the Lancashire and Yorkshire lines of railway. Other phonographic teachers have supplied phonographic writers to the railway world, so that now, we believe, Phonography is more or less used by every carrying company in the kingdom. The general use of the system on the above railways, and also by the clerks in many other stations throughout the kingdom, has created a necessity for a set of phraseographs adapted to railway correspondence, such as is here presented to the phonographic world.

The reader should not attempt to commit to memory the numerous phonographic outlines and phrases in the following pages, but endeavor to seize the *principle* of the combinations. This will lead him to form others for himself. The contracted forms of the names of the several railway and packet companies at the end of the book should not be employed in correspondence until the receiver of the letter is made acquainted with them. For instance, if a railway clerk at Manchester should be writing to another clerk respecting the "Manchester and Milford Railway," he will write the name of the line in plain Phonography, and without contractions, if he wishes to be understood; but if he should have occasion to write to the same person frequently, he may adopt the phraseograph given in the list of "Official Names of Railways," page 19. So with the names of

other lines. As a rule the r is struck across the last consonant. The reader should be apprised that in the shorthand forms in the "Official Names of Railways," the word "Railway" is added to the name of the line in every case.

In most cases these contracted outlines can be filled in with their consonants and vowels, so as to make them intelligible, on the understanding that an intersected r represents "Railway,"

and an intersected k "Company."

It may be necessary to repeat here the caution given in the "Phonographic Phrase Book," page 4, against uniting the words of very long phrases; and we may add that even short phrases, composed of words that seldom occur together, are not to be commended. Whatever is not readily legible causes the reader to lose more time in diciphering it than the writer gains. Where in such case is the real gain?

Every phonographer who makes use of this work is supposed to have already familiarised himself with ordinary phraseography, as developed in the "Phonographic Phrase Book," and to require only a few additional phraseographs to qualify himself for railway business. He should not, therefore, expect to find here any of the general phrases which are given in the other

collection.

The advantage which Phonography confers on the railway Manager in communicating his views upon a variety of subjects, together with the facility and despatch which it introduces into the business of the line, are incalculable, and can be known only to those who employ it, either by writing it themselves or by

dictation to a clerk who understands the system.

In the compilation of the "Railway Phrase Book," (the first edition of which was published in 1869,) I have been greatly assisted by Mr Edward Johnson, of the London and North Western Railway, Manchester, and Mr Thomas Cogswell, of the Great Western Railway, Cardiff. I am also indebted to other gentlemen connected with railways for hints and phrases, to whom I beg thus to express my obligations.

Phonetic Institute, Bath. May, 1889. ISAAC PITMAN.

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RAILWAY PHRASE BOOK.

A

abstract books abstract clerks 4 abstract department X account current accountant's office -e after business hours after the train had gone after train time after we had closed all amounts outstanding all Directors all goods drivers all guards and drivers all important all important letters all important matters all parcels may be sent all particulars attached all railway companies all recharges all speed all stations

all the mails all trains are despatched all trains go through 1 all traffic must be alteration of the train annual meeting \(\square\) annual meetings 7 annual report Assistant Gen. Manager Assistant Goods Mangr. Atlantic telegraph com-Atlas parcel office at owner's risk at sender's risk at these stations at this station audit committee \mathbf{R}

be good enough

better accommodation

better address

better reference

between Liverpool and

Manchester

between London between Manchester between senders and consignees between York and Scar-> borough break van break carriage by express by goods train by last train by late train by mail train by Manchester, Sheffield and Lincolnshire by Midland Company by Midland Railway Co. by our invoice by our route by our way bill by parcel van by Parliamentary train by rail by railway by signal by special train by telegram -- ? by the express by the mail by the Manchester express by the train 3. by the train in question.

by wire
by wire at onco
by your route

\mathbf{C}

cannot account cannot answer cannot be sent to-day cannot do so cannot give any inforcannot reply definitely cannot trace entry cannot trace anything cannot trace receipt Camden station Carriers' Act cattle trucks claim pending -Claims' Arbitration Comclaims' department claims' office claimant will not accept claimant will not receive class rates - ? clear by overcharge Clearing House

Clearing House classification

Clearing House Com-

Clearing House regula-Clearing House return Clearing House rules coaching department coaching traffic 7 coal traffic collect all charges on c collection and delivery come to terms correct as received company's risk company's traffic 1 considerable delay consignees and senders 'co could not be brought could not be forwarded _

D

deliver at once deliver at once and reply deliver immediately delivery department delivery office detective department Directors' decision Directors' report District Manager different rates - 10

division of expenses
division of receipts
down train - \(\frac{1}{2} \)

E

earliest convenience
early trains
enclosed letter
engineering department
engineer's office
engine driver
engine driver and guard
enter to this station
entered to us
every attention
every despatch
Euston station of
Euston square station
express train

T

first class rate
first class rate
first instant
first intimation
for some time past
for the abstract department
for the delivery department
for the express

for the goods department to for the mail train for the mail train for the Managing Director for the Manager's Office fourth class from Liverpool from the enclosed letter from Manchester from the correspondence from the last report from their letter from your letter further particulars further reply

G

General Committee

General Manager

goods damaged

goods department

goods engine

goods invoice

Goods Manager's office

Goods Manager's report

goods not to hand

goods station

goods train

goods traffic goods wagon great delay great speed gross receipts guard's report guard's statement

H

how many accounts

how many bales

how many cases

how many excursion strains

how many excursion

trains
how many goods trains

how many passengers

how many passengers

Ţ

I am favored

I am in communication

I am in correspondence

I am in receipt of your
letter
I enclose a letter

I have a claim

I have no objection

I have seen guard

I have seen sender

Thompson

1 have seen the driver of the train

I have seen the Manager I have seen the Superintendent I have seen the Passenger Superintendent I have sent a messenger I have sent it " I have telegraphed immediate delivery in error in loose order invoice cleared invoices delayed inquire into the matter -Inquiry Office in certain cases in London L in my letter in my last letter in some cases in the Co.'s possession in the goods department in the hands of their solicitor in the passenger departin the same truck in the same train in the same wagon in the working in this case 6 in your reply to my letter into the matter

J

Joint Communication

joint station

joint stock

Joint Stock Company

Joint Stock Co.'s account

junction Stations

junction Clearing House

K

King's Cross station

last mail
last month's account
last month's report
last quarter's statement
last train
last year's report
ledger accounts
ledger clerks
ledger department
ledger posted
ledger returns
left at the station
left the company's servica

let it stand let the matter rest Leicester mail little danger / Liverpool correspondence Liverpool letters Liverpool mails / Liverpool passengers Liverpool parcels Liverpool trains / Liverpool traffic live stock traffic local charges local expenditure local invoice local manager local management local stations local traffic local traffic manager locomotive department London & Birmingham traffic London & Continental traffie London and Liverpool Roods London express London mails London passengers London speed goods a London traffic

M

made a claim mail bags mail train make an account make a report make a statement make the case public ~~~ make the matter right with consignee make the matter right with senders Managing Director Manager's Office Manager's report Manager's telegram fo Manchester district manufacturing interests manufacturing products ' many accounts many cases have been noticed many circumstances many excursionists ~ many goods trains many parcels many passengers many preference shares many stations Metropolitan Carriage ~ Company metropolitan traffic ~

money market

mineral class
mineral traffic
minimum rate
minimum scale
missing bale
missing box
missing goods
missing papers
my letter

N

no account no break van no charges M no communication . no foreign trade > no foreign traffic no further reply no guards' reports no goods trains ~ no goods were sent no intention ~~ no notice has been given > no notice has been received > no statement has been no such arrangement no such train. not abstracted. not cancelled >

not counted not in the goods department not in the Manchester district not in the passenger department not in the parcel departnot in the train not in the report not invoiced not sent hence in due not seen at this station not taken to account not yet to hand nothing further nothing more than nothing of importance number of the carriage

0

office duties
official correspondence
officials in charge
official statement
officer's statement
on account of charges
on account of damage
on account of delay
on the other side
on your further reply
one of our

omnibus meets all trains
other circumstances
other companies
other companies' traffic
other birectors (
other stations (
other traffic
other trains (
over charges
owner's risk note signed

P

Paddington station paid ons parcel clerks parcel delivery 8 parcel department parcel office parcel van parcels traffic X parliamentary train 🗸 🕽 pass the accounts pass the amounts pass the items passed the points passed the goods train passenger department passenger porter

passenger station Passenger Superintendnt. Passenger Superintendpassenger traffic passenger trains passengers' luggage pay through & recharge per day \ per ton periodical free pass Va periodical ticket permanent way pointsman's signal pointsman's statement porter's room preference shares present bill present scheme present state of trade present stock present stock-in-trade present the bil! present traffic prevent accident previous statement proposed scheme proposed rates prospectus of the company prospective shares

Q

quantity of casks

quantity of empty casks

quantity of materials

questions of importance

R

railway accommodation railway communication railway company's (ies) railway company's bill railway company's stock railway compensation railway competition railway clerks railway correspondence railway damages railway Directors railway dividend railway facilities railway investments railway Manager railway property railway plant railway shares railway share list railway shareholder railway system rather late

rather later
receiving station
refer to my letter
referring to your letter
referring to your telegram
regular traffic
regular trains
reply early
resist (the) claim
return journey
returned empties
rolling stock

S

sample cases
sample parcels
Scotch goods
Z
Scotch traffic
second class
see my letter
send another clerk
send another engine
send another wagon
send an extra guard
send another porter
send an extra train
send a guard and driver
send a special engine
send a telegram

sending station sender's risk Q sent by mail sent by last mail sent by train sent in another wagon sent in error sent to Birmingham sent to Chester in mistake sent to Dublin sent to Euston station sent to King's Cross Q sent to London only sent to London in mistake sent to Liverpool Road ' station sent to Liverpool Road station, Manchester sent to Liverpool, Waterloo station sent to Liverpool, Lime street station sent to Manchester in sent to Manchester. Victoria station settlement of accounts settlement of claims short notice signal line clear signal men signal off signal the train . since received & 9 special class

special committee 5/1 special rate state particulars state reasons state terms state the nature of the elaim station agent Station Master L station to station stationary signals still in hand stores department sub-committee Superintendent's clerk Superintendent's depart- % Superintendent's letter Superintendent's Office Superintendent's report Superintendent's staff Swindon station

T

telegraphic communication
telegraphic despatches
telegraphic messages
tender the goods
tender the goods again
terminal allowances
terminal charges

terminal expenses this claim through a solicitor . > through booking through rate _). through route -} through to Birmingham.) ... through to London in the same carriage through to Leicester 3 through trains .]. through traffic -1through trucks 2through wagons. 1 timber rates timber traffic time bills time books time table time table arrangement to go into the matter _ to have them sent to have them sent in boxes to have them sent in future to lie till called for to Liverpool to make further search . to mile throughout . to this station to which you can

to which you can agree to which you may agree to which you refer too late for delivery too late for the packet , too late for the train too many trains trace forward trace the truss trace the missing box traffic committee traffic decrease traffic increase Traffic Manager's letter 7.6 Traffic Manager's Office & Traffic Manager's report Traffic Manager's telegrm t traffic statement trains to Manchester trains will commence to trains will be discontinued trains will not be discontinued

U

under the circumstances
under the circumstances
of the case
under the new Act of
Parliament
under peculiar circumstances
understand the meaning
of your letter

under-charges
unentered from Birmingham
unentered from Manchester
unentered goods
up line
up train
usual rates

V

various reports very accurate very accurately described very correct very good character very good signals very good staff very important very important letter very important matter ' very irregular very keen competition very late very little damage very little delay ' very little trade very little traffic very many very many passengers very much competition

very much traffic
very near due
very particular
very serviceable
very rapid rate
very recently
very regular
very well developed
very well pleased

W

wait upon consignee wait upon sender 🗢 was there any delay we are in correspondence we are in communication we are investigating we cannot trace we cannot trace.entry we cannot trace invoice we cannot trace the truck we cancel the entry we have collected the we have delivered we have invoiced we have issued circulars we have no trace we have no communicawe have no means of 🔨 communication

we have sent we have sent a messenger we have sent a telegram we have sent them forward we have since received we have traced the truck we have received the goods, we have received the goods in truck we have written consignee we have written sender we have written the manager we note we trace forward were in bad order were in good condition were sent hence were sent to what reply ~ which was reported which you may recharge L which you will not be L able to clear with reference to the subject without delay working of the signals

Y

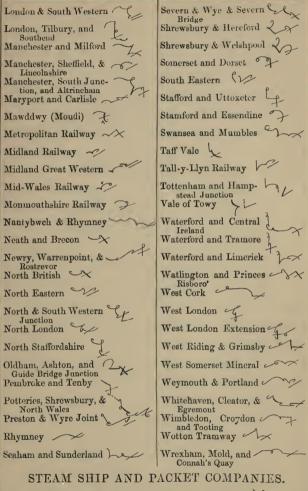
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you mayallow accordingly
you may inform consigned

you may inform sender ~ you may receive you must make another .~ search you will have a telegram you will have received a your consideration vour correspondent your early attention your early trains your humble servant your immediate reply will oblige your invoice of the third vour letter vour last letter your papers are mislaid your obedient servant your people your porter vour reference your reply your reply of the 1st inst. your reply of the 2nd your reply to my letter your statement your station your telegram yours obediently yours respectfully yours truly

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