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## Railroading

Especially in Michigan, Railroad transportation is subject to sudden periods of extreme cold and heavy snow. Such weather lowers the efficiency of steam-driven machinery, imposes severe hardships on men, and makes necessary abnormal expenditures for fuel, wages and special equipment.

To vanquish these obstacles—to accept and deliver freight and passengers in the teeth of a midwinter blizzard, when necessary—is an annual battle for each of Michigan's 24 steam Railroads.

Even in a comparatively open winter, the Railroads must always be equipped and ready. On certain northern runs, a snow plow precedes every train throughout the winter, regardless of weather.

Winter railroading in Michigan is seldom possible at a profit. Often it can be accomplished only by large financial loss. Yet, despite the handicaps of climate, the cars move, and Michigan continues warm, well fed and prosperous.

Do you appreciate the foresight, determination and fortitude which, year in and year out, make Railroad transportation so sound a reliance. The Railroads will be pleased and helped to know that you do.

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