

The big facts

The moving drama that our first engraving represents took place near Beauvais. A locomotive from the town's depot was stopped on a track and two mechanics, squatting between its wheels, were busy repairing it, when, suddenly, the machine started moving. To avoid being crushed, the men clung to the axles and were carried away in a mad rush. We called along the route followed by the locomotive, so that no obstacle stood in its way. Finally, on a climb, it slows down. At the risk of his life, one of the engineers let himself fall onto the ballast, let the tender pass over him, grab the end of it and, with a vigorous recovery, managed to get back on board the machine. There, he was able to apply the brakes and finally free his comrade, unharmed like him.

—o0— A freight train was heading from Nice to Toulon when, near the Cuers-Pierrefeu station, a blast of the mistral removed a cage containing a lion from the carriage where it was located. The cage broke and the lion set off on an adventure through the countryside. Soon the news spread to the surrounding villages and the inhabitants locked themselves in their homes. We alerted the gendatmerie brigades as well as the staff of the aeronautical center. Beats were organized. Finally we managed to discover the beast which had taken refuge in the woods and to kill it.

—o— Opening of the Salon des Indépendants.

—o— Three people are arrested in Paris suspected of having stolen plans from a
aircraft factory.

—0— The Prince of Wales suffered a serious fall from his horse in England.