

C a r n e t o w n T I M E S

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T h e n e w i n v e n t i o n r u n s

The train is a new invention by Richard Trevithick. Yesterday it ran from Penydarren to the Navigation in Abercynon. It moves at a speed of 5 miles per hour. Samuel Homfray made a bet of 500 guineas with Richard Crawshay that the steam engine would travel from Penydarren in Merthyr to the Navigation near Abercynon.

It was a long journey and aboard the train were ten tons of iron and seventy people. It made the journey in four hours and five minutes. Samuel Homfray won the bet.

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