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1045. **Focus on the Clothes.** A two page article on staff uniforms by Stephen Rowson, the first of what he hopes will be a series. This one looks at LNWR uniforms, in seven posed photographs from North and South Wales. *The Welsh Railways Archive Vol VI No 4* (November 2016).

1046. **Day Trip to Denbigh, 26th August, 1965.** A six page article by Martin Connop Price, recalling a brake van ride between Rhyl and Denbigh. Illustrated with a view of his BR permit, a map and twelve of his own photographs. Three photographs show branch remains in 2016, with comments on what a more enlightened railway might do. *The Welsh Railways Archive Vol VI No 4* (November 2016).

1047. **The Autumn Field Trip** (to the Whitehaven, Cleator and Egremont Railway). A three page article by Graham Worsnop reporting the visit to what is left at the southern end of this LNWR joint line in November 2016. Nine mostly contemporary photographs. *Cumbrian Railways Journal No 161* (February 2017).

1048. **Beyond Euston.** A four page feature of nine colour photographs from the camera of David Idle. Mostly ex LMS steam, taken at the southern end of the West Coast main line in the early 1960s with just a glimpse of the wires of the future. *Backtrack Vol 31 No 2* (February 2017).

1049. **By Steam to the Steamers.** Part two of the story of the Isle of Man boat trains, covering their heyday and decline, by Michael Rivett. A six page article with four photographs and seven examples of advertising material. *Backtrack Vol 31 No 2* (February 2017). Part one was Press Digest item 1043.

1050. **A Wednesbury Winter's Night.** The second part of David J Hayes' account of a winter's night at the ex LNWR Wednesbury No 1 signal box. There are eight pages and eight black and white period photographs. *Backtrack Vol 31 No 2* (February 2017). Part one was Press Digest item 1035.

1051. **From Bridges to Big 'Uns.** A double-page 'plug' of four captioned photographs for a new Irwell Press publication, which comprises a collection of memories, experiences and anecdotes from Peter Tatlow. He joined BR and trained as a civil engineer responsible for permanent way maintenance and renewal, which included the Euston - Shilton section in the 1960s and the electrification of the WCML. *British Railways Illustrated Vol 26 No 4* (January 2017).

1052. **Patricroft, Origins and Development: 1.** Part 1 of E M Johnson's history of the former LNWR shed, including its origins, the early L&M and LNWR locomotive accommodation in Manchester, locomotive allocations in 1881, the siting of the new shed at Patricroft, expansion including the building of the second shed and locomotive types found in the area and their workings in the early decades of the twentieth century. Six photographs, including one of the interior of the fitting shop in 1968, but almost unchanged since the grouping! Part 2 to follow. *British Railways Illustrated* Vol 26 No 4 (January 2017).

1053. Editorial and news item relating to a 'promise' made by the Transport minister, John Hayes, to rebuild the Euston arch. A later statement by the DfT said that this idea 'did not reflect official government policy'. *Steam Railway* No 461 (December/ January 2017).

1054. **Build a Claughton or 46256 ... why not both?** A two page article about the possibility of new builds. Three photographs, including one of the last Claughton, No 6004, on shed in 1936/7. *Steam Railway* No 461 (December/ January 2017).

1055. **Eric Treacy, Railway Photographer.** A two page feature of four of the great man's photographs, taken on the West Coast main line in the 1930's. One uses magnificently tall signals at Wavertree to frame a Holyhead bound train. *The Railway Magazine* Vol 163 No 1,391 (February 2017).

1056. **Oxford.** An eight page article, almost all about the GWR, but including one photograph of the LNWR Rowley Road shed from April 1947, with extended caption. *British Railways Illustrated* Vol 26 No 5 (February 2017).

1057. **Patricroft, Origins and Development part 2.** An eight page article which includes seven black and white photographs and a whole page section of the OS map of the site. Covers the LMS and later periods. *British Railways Illustrated* Vol 26 No 5 (February 2017). Part one is Press Digest item 1052.

1058. **LNWR 17in Coal Engines.** Two photographs with extended captions. One locomotive on Shrewsbury shed in May 1951 with post 1940 number and in terrible condition, the second of No 58326 on shed. *Railway Bylines* Vol 22 No 3 (February 2017).

1059. **Nuneaton to Coventry in the Fifties.** A nine page article with eighteen black and white photographs showing plenty of infrastructure detail. Two show ex LNWR locomotives and there is a small section of the RCH map of the line. *Steam Days* No 330 (February 2017).

1060. **Crewe Works.** A four page article about the closure of the works in 1967. It includes three photographs of standard class locomotives at the works. *Steam Railway* No 463 (February 2017).

1061. Nostalgia Corner in *The Railway Observer* for February 2017 has a short item about the use of the Over and Wharton branch, north of Crewe, for the despatch of road salt to local authorities around the country by train. Originally from the RO dated February 1967.

1062. **The Return of the SS Daniel Adamson.** A two page article by Bob Gwynne, reporting the return to steam of the Manchester Ship Canal tug. There are notes about the history of the tug, its first public voyage after restoration, Daniel Adamson the man, and there are three recent colour photographs. *The Friends of National Railway Museum Journal* No 158 (Winter 2016/2017).

1063. **A Lancashire Alliance 1863 - 1870**, by Jeffrey Wells. A seven page article with a map and ten photographs with extended captions. The early history of the Lancashire Union Railway and associated lines which facilitated a direct rail link between Blackburn, Wigan and the wider network. An example of cooperation between the rival LNWR and LY. *Backtrack* Vol 31 No 3 (March 2017).

1064. **The Great Silence and the Railways - 1919**, by Jeffrey Wells. A two page article on the part the railways played in the first Remembrance Day on 11 November 1919. Taken from contemporary newspaper reports and including three photographs, two of LNWR interest. *Backtrack* Vol 31 No 3 (March 2017).

1065. **Patricroft, Origins and Development part 3.** Another eight page article in this series. It mostly deals with the BR period and the Standard Pacifics but includes two photographs of Patricroft station signal box and its environs. *British Railways Illustrated* Vol 26 No 6 (March 2017). Part two is Press Digest item 1057.

1066. **Pontardulais to Swansea (Victoria).** An eight page article about this outpost of the LNWR, latterly annexed by BR(W). It includes a full page colour photograph of a Coal Tank with a local train dated 1954 and a general view of Swansea Paxton street shed with a Coal Tank and a G2A 0-8-0. *Steam Days* No 331 (March 2017). There is also a photograph of Paxton Street shed on the title page of the magazine.

1067. **Whitmore Part 1**, by Mike G Fell. A scholarly account of the Grand Junction Railway from inception to amalgamation into the LNWR, with particular reference to Whitmore, between Stafford and

Crewe. Six pages with nine photographs/illustrations, a map and eighteen references. *Backtrack* Vol 31 No 4 (April 2017).

1068. **Herefordshire's Railways.** Once there were twelve railways in Herefordshire, now reduced to three, with only four stations. Stephen Roberts surveys the full extent, working from north to south. Our principle interest is the North and West route, joint with the GWR. Six pages with ten photographs, a map and ten references. *Backtrack* Vol 31 No 4 (April 2017).

1069. **A Good Run for Your Money.** At the end of the nineteenth century, northern businessmen looked for a better standard of daily travel between rural home and city work and the 'Club Train' was born. Malcolm Timperley surveys the offerings from the various companies including the LNWR 's Llandudno and Windermere trains. Five pages, with ten photographs and 33 references. *Backtrack* Vol 31 No 4 (April 2017).

1070. **Druitt Halpin's Chronometer,** by Simon Johnson. A gold chronometer was presented by the LNWR to the engineer Druitt Halpin for his work in salvaging the steamship Edith, which sank in Holyhead harbour after being rammed by the Duchess of Sutherland. The five page article is mainly concerned with the watch, but also explains the background and references an article in ***Engineering*** for 13 April 1878 which describes the operation to refloat the Edith. *Clocks* (March 2017).

1071. **Waterways of the Shropshire Union Railways and Canal Company, part 2.** A nine page article by Euan Corrie, largely of photographs, covering the stretch of canal between Audlem and Norbury Junction. *Archive* Issue 93 (March 2017).

1072. **The Signal Box at Grayrigg.** A single page featuring a photograph of the box with a northbound train headed by a hard working Jumbo and a further Jumbo in the siding by the box. The photograph is dated between 1903 and 1907. A very full caption by Richard Foster. *Cumbrian Railways Journal* No 162 (May 2017).

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