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Valve Gear Verses by Cut Off

<p>Now Bunsen invented some lab gear Mary Quaint makes remarkable fab gear So isn't it sad That we don't know the lad Whose genius gave us the Gab gear.</p>	<p>A Belgian named Walschaert (Egide) Said "A good outside motion I need The crank pin I think Will waggle the link And the crosshead will give me the lead "</p>
<p>There was a young fellow called Howe Who said "My link motions' a wow It will carry my name To perpetual fame But it's always called Stephenson's now.</p>	<p>There once was a clever young boy Who said these eccentrics annoy I will just attach one rod Half way up the con rod And that was the start of the Joy</p>
<p>Said Gooch of Great Western renown These great swinging links make me frown It is better, I think Just to pivot the link And move the valve rod up and down</p>	<p>If valve gears you study for long You'll classify Southern and strong With Marshall and Breame For the secret of them Is this. They're all Hackworth gone wrong.</p>
<p>Said Allan, "The Stephenson's gear" Fills me with repulsion and fear The links with their curves Just gets on my nerves Let's make them as straight as a spear</p>	<p>Young Baker exclaimed (Abner D) My gear is a complete novelty The back end is partially Hackworth or Marshall</p>
<p>J.W. son of old Tim On link motion had views that were dim So he just put a guide On a pivoted slide And Hackworth is named after him.</p>	<p>Said Caprotti, "My permanent dream Concerns the wire -drawing of steam And how to stop it The use of a poppet Controlled by cam is my scheme.</p>

I saw this Poem in an old News Sheet (Nov. 1969) and thought it might be useful to fill an empty spot.

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