

MODEL TRAINS.

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Model trains are the ideal Christmas or birthday present --- but nowadays that means money. So Essen, in Germany, has founded a model train club, where members can go and work on a railway that's almost as complicated as the real thing. Boys of all ages are members; but, in the case of father, it's mum who objects to him doing a lodging turn.

CAMPBELL RETURNS.

The Queen Mary docking at Southampton means that distinguished passengers are coming ashore. His mother ^{was} ~~and his wife~~ waiting for the arrival of ~~water~~ Donald Campbell --- who had a word to say about ^{the} ~~the~~ future.

PARADROP.

Anybody will tell you that the greater part of a parachute drop is no problem; the difficult and dangerous bit, is the bit when you hit the ground. So here from America, is a new device for minimising the shock of landing for heavy equipment. It's a system of cushions, which blow themselves up on the way down;..... and are effective in softening the shock of landing for loads up to twelve and a half tons.