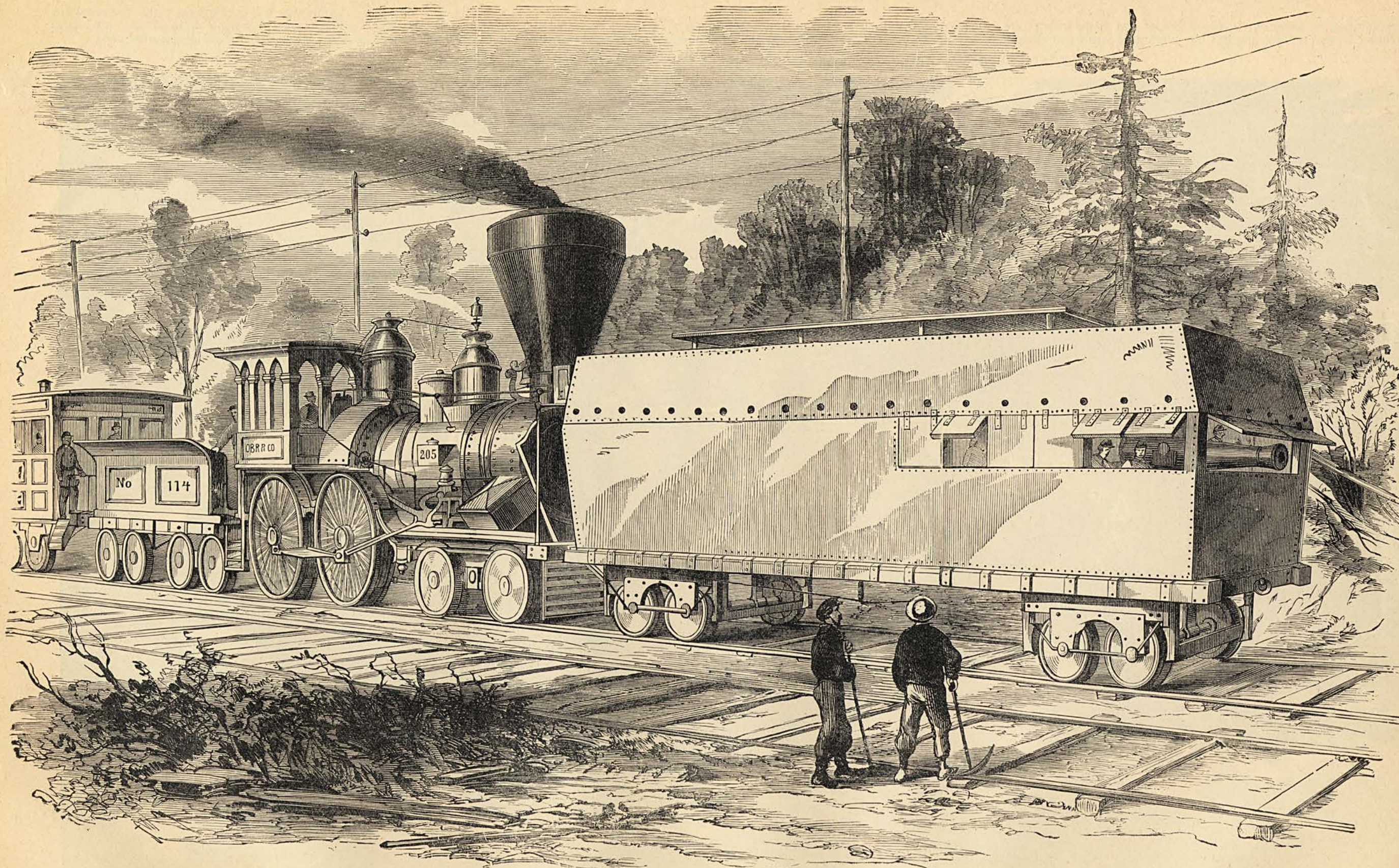




THE RAILROAD BATTERY PROTECTING WORKMEN ON THE PHILADELPHIA, WILMINGTON AND BALTIMORE, AND BALTIMORE AND OHIO RAILROADS.

During 1861, and less afterward, the railroads from Baltimore and Washington westward were exposed to damage by guerrillas, who burned the bridges and killed the workmen repairing them. Cavalry guards were stationed along parts of the line, and, in addition, iron-plated cars carrying cannon, like that shown above, were attached to the construction trains.