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A LESSON FOR RAILROADS.

A Moral in the Train Wreck in North Carolina.

Charlotte, N. C., Dec. 16.—The disastrous wreck on the Southern Railway yesterday only emphasizes what the Manufacturers' Record has been persistently claiming for the last two years of business depression: that railroads have not been keeping up the improvements which should be made, and that with the first revival of business, bringing new pressure upon the roads, there would be great congestion of traffic and many accidents. I know nothing of the cause of the accident except what the papers tell. But I do know that our railroads, broadly speaking, are not equal to the demand of the heavy traffic that is already here and of the still heavier traffic that is in the future.

It is true that the clamor against the railroads a few years ago made it impossible for them to get new capital for much-needed improvements. It is likewise true that in fighting the railroads in the way it was done the people were hurting themselves more than they were hurting the roads.

In this fight they gave the roads a good excuse for delaying improvements and made it practically impossible for most of them to secure the money needed for reconstruction. But whatever may have been the mistakes of the past or the sins of omission and of commission on the part of the people and of the roads, the time has come when those responsible for the management of American railroads must realize their responsibility to the public and prepare to meet the issue. A very large proportion of our railroads are really of temporary construction, not equal to the demands of the times. Many of them must be rebuilt along more scientific lines. They must be double-tracked, iron and steel and concrete must take the place of timber, long wooden trestles must give place to something safer, curves must be reduced and grades improved. Human life is worth too much to permit the continuation of the dangers that now exist on so many of our roads. Unless the great financial interests who are responsible for the management of our roads not only back up the money but lead off and require them to undertake the work, then the next winter which strikes the railroads will make the first one seem like a child's summer broods.

The money for those improvements must be found, regardless of all else, and it should be found and spent with all possible energy, even if it came as a last resort through receivership certificates. No bad curves or wooden trestles should be allowed to stand a day longer than is necessary to rebuild on better lines and of the most solid construction.

For two years the railroads of the country, with few exceptions, have spent but little money on new rails or improvement to roadbed. This was a mistake, for improvements should have been made even if at the expense of all security-holders. Improvements must now be made on an enormous scale, for it would take a billion dollars to adequately reconstruct the railroads of the central South and make them ready for the traffic of the next few years.

If Morgan & Co. would find a way to announce that \$200,000,000 would be spent upon the Southern Railway they would give the world the assurance that this property of magnificent possibilities was going to be developed in keeping with the needs of the country, and in the end the growth of traffic thus made possible would prove the wisdom of the investment. Unless improvements of

ANOTHER CITIZEN IS MISTREATED

Suffers at Hands of the Nicaraguans Near Managua.

Washington, Dec. 27.—The startling news that the son of a prominent American citizen at Managua, Nicaragua, has been beaten and arrested at Managua, Nicaragua, was received at the State Department this morning in a cablegram from United States Vice Consul Caldera. The name was not registered at the consulate at Managua, but this fact does not deprive him of the protection of the American government if an inquiry proves that he has been unjustly treated. The name of the youth beaten is not given in the dispatch.

The cablegram adds that troops from Leon are being sent eastward, and that men from the same city are being placed in power at Granada. Leon is the home city of President Madrid.

An official of the State Department today gave out an unofficial statement concerning the question of the asylum afforded former President Zelaya by Mexico. The statement sets forth that the granting of an asylum to the former president of Nicaragua has not in any way changed the plan of the United States in regard to placing the responsibility for the execution of Cannon and Groce upon him. An inquiry is to be conducted; it is asserted, to ascertain the facts in the Cannon-Groce matter. Secretary of State Knox made it clear in his note to Senor Rodriguez, charge d'affaires of the Nicaraguan legation, some time ago, that reparation would be exacted from those directly responsible for the execution of the Americans.

If the investigation inculcates him he will be extradited, if possible and brought before a competent tribunal for trial. The department is reported to be relieved that Zelaya has left Nicaragua but feels that Mexico has incurred a heavy responsibility in allowing him to enter its territory, which is taken to mean that Mexico has by no means heard the last of the Zelaya incident, which it is thought may lead to serious consequences.

Huge Wildcat Killed Sunday

Ransom Brown, colored, while out rabbiting on Christmas day killed a wildcat which weighed eight and a half pounds dressed. The animal was bagged on the property of Mr. Frank H. Bryan on the suburbs of the city. His dog struck a trail and ran his name to a large ditch where the supposed rabbit disappeared. Before Brown reached the ditch he heard the dog growling. Although standing his ground he seemed to have no disposition to venture further. A large hole was discovered, so Brown decided to dig out the animal. He was promptly shot.

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Zelaya Is on Mexican Soil

Vera Cruz, Mexico, Dec. 27.—Ex-President Zelaya of Nicaragua today is in Mexican territory. After a record-breaking run, the Mexican gunboat General Guerrero landed him at Salina Cruz last night, a dispatch received here says. "He was not expected until today. The warship anchored outside the port when she arrived from Corinto."

NOTED ARTIST DEAD.

Ridgefield, Conn., Dec. 27.—Fredrick Remington, the artist, died at his home here today from heart failure and shock superinduced by an operation for appendicitis performed on Thursday.

Mr. Remington had been in good health until last Sunday, when he remarked that he seemed slightly indisposed. It was not until Wednesday that he suffered pain to any extent, and physicians were summoned. That night a New York specialist was called, and the next day an operation for appendicitis was performed. The patient seemed to be progressing favorably Friday and yesterday, but this morning a change set in, and death came about 9:30 o'clock.

Mr. Remington came here last May to make this his permanent residence. He was in his forty-eighth year, and was a native of Canton, N. Y., to which place the body will be taken tomorrow afternoon. The funeral service will be in the Universalist Church at Canton at 2 o'clock Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. Remington married Miss Eva Carter, of Groversville, N. Y., who survives him.

TOURING CAR GOES OVER SIX PERSONS INJURED.

Jacksonville, Fla., Dec. 26.—Six persons were more or less seriously injured late this afternoon when the big touring car owned by George M. Lane, of Chicago, struck a curbing and turtled at the corner of Oak and Margaret streets, Riverside. All the occupants were violently thrown from the machine. Mr. Lane suffered a fractured shoulder. Mrs. Lane was badly bruised about the face. Mr. and Mrs. Elmer E. Lawrence were severely shaken up, but not seriously injured. Mr. Charles E. Smith was knocked unconscious and his leg was also badly injured about the arm and body. The accident created great excitement and three ambulances were dispatched to the scene, conveying the injured parties to the hospitals. The machine was badly wrecked.

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