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Where Joffre First Was Famous.

through France as "The Hero of

Timbuktu." Years ago, he told how it

all happened in a little book that was

is a modest, simple narrative, so con-

matter pithily presented, that it can-

not fail to remind the reader of Cae-

He had been sent to Senegal,

French West Africa to build a rail-

road from Kayes, at the head of

navigation on the Senegal River, to

the Niger. This route would give river

and rail transportation between the

French Atlantic ports in Africa and

the famous City of Timbuktu. The

world is, today, thus linked with this

once mysterious trade mart in inner

It was known that the merchants of

Timbuktu were handling a trade of

some millions of dollars a year along

the caravan routes across the Sahara;

and that this commerce was greatly

handicapped by the Tuareg of the

desert and the Fula of the Sudan who

were alternately masters of Timbuk-

tu, as one or the other gained the

of permitting industry and commerce

to be carried on; and the helpless

people of the city were on the verge

of destitution and despair when

While Major Joffre was pushing

France decided to go to their relief.

his railroad forward as fast as possi-

ble, Colonel Bonnier was dispatched

with troops to the relief of Timbuktu;

and some time after, Joffre was or-

dered to leave the railroad in other

hands and lead another body of troops

to that city. He made a wonderful

march of about 500 miles under very

difficult circumstances, for the Niger

was in flood, no boats could be ob-

tained, and the troops had to march,

heavy laden with supplies, through

dense scrub, beyond the river's reach.

In spite of these impediments, Joffre

gained rapidly on the advance party;

but he did not hear till he was within

a few miles of Timbuktu that the Tua-

regs, who were then masters of the

city, had killed Colonel Bonnier and

Then Joffre turned defeat into

splendid victory. He had his force

within the city almost before his pres-

ence was known; and he trounced the

Tuaregs so effectively that in a few

hours he was master of Timbuktu, to

the great joy of its inhabitants. He

so firmly established French suprem-

acy over that town and the whole of

Northern French West Africa that the vast region has never again been

in jeopardy. The hero of Timbuktu

suddenly became one of the marked

men of France; and the steady ad-

vancement that came to him culmin-

ated, early in the present war, in his supreme commandership of the

most of his men.

sar's "Commentaries."

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Ahead As Usual.

North Carolina leads the Cotton France first heard the name of of cotton in 1916, as usual.

Joffre in 1894, when he was 38 years Our average was 215 pounds to the old. He was south of the Sahara in acre. Virginia averaged 310 pounds; Africa, a Major in the French Arout any one of a half dozen counties my, when suddenly his name rang in North Carolina produces more Atlanta will be continued via Auguscotton than the whole State of Virginia. Missouri averaged 225 pounds, Railroad, upon the following schedbut the total crop of Missouri was ules: translated into English under the tiess than that of Johnston and Itle of "My March to Timbuctoo." It Wayne Counties, North Carolina. California produced 400 pounds to densed in style, so full of weighty the acre, but her entire crop was only 42,000 bales, or barely more than Johnston County produced alone in

> Named in order of cotton production per acre the States rank as fol-

lows:		
State. Pou	Pounds.	
California	400	
Virginia	310	
Missouri	225	
North Carolina	215	
Arkansas	209	
Tennessee	206	
Louisiana	170	
Georgia	166	
South Carolina	160	
Texas	157	
Oklahoma	154	
Mississippi	125	
Florida	105	
Alabama	79	
Poor Alabama, afflicted by bad	sca-	
sons as well as the boll weevil.	got	

ascendency. Each race, in its turn, barely more than a seventh of a bale exacted enormous tribute as the price to the acre. Her crop fell from 1,700,000 bales

in 1914 to barely more than 500,000 bales 1916. In another year or two Georgia and South Carolina will suffer the maximum loss from boll weevil ravages.-University News

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Overdrafts secured and un-	Maria di na
secured	1,756.89
Banking Houses and Furni-	-
ture and Fixtures	
Due from National Banks	
Cash Items	179.63
Gold Coin	277.50
Silver coin, including all	
minor coin currency	1,825.37
National bank notes and	
other U. S. Notes	1,459.00

Total \$96,208.23 LIABILITIES Capital stock paid in.... \$15,000.00 individed profits, less cur-

rent expenses and taxes Bills payable 10,000.00 Deposits subject to check.. 38,074.32 ime certificates of deposit 20,576.55 Savings Deposits 9,180.15 Cashier's checks outstand-

ing 198.25 Total \$96,208.22 STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA,

County of Johnston. M. R. Wall, Cashier of the bove-named Bank, do solemnly wear that the above statement is rue to the best of my knowledge and

Subscribed and sworn to before me, his 5th day of July, 1917. W. H. POOL, JR., Notary Public.

M. R. WALL, Cashier.

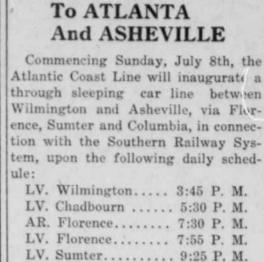
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This 29th day of May, 1917 H. M. TART, Administrator.

NOTICE.

The undersigned having qualified as Executor on the estate of Blackman Jernigan, deceased, hereby notifies all persons having claims against said. estate to present the same to me duly verified on or before the 22nd day of June, 1918, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery; and

This 15th day of June, 1917. ZERO D. JERNIGAN,

Executor.

ABELL & WARD and JAMES RAYNOR,

Attorneys.

NOTICE. North Carolina, Johnston County, In the Superior Court, Before the Clerk.

Southern Railway Company

Mary E. Clark.

The defendant above named will take notice that a proceeding entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Johnston County to condemn a right of way for the construction of a necessary railway track over certain lands of the defendant situate in or near the town of Selma, N. C.; and the said defendant will further take notice that she is required to appear at the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Johnston County, at the Court-house in Smith-field, North Carolina, on the 23rd day of July, 1917, at twelve o'clock M., and answer or demur to the Petition filed in said Proceeding, or the plaintiff will apply to the Court for the reief demanded in said Petition.

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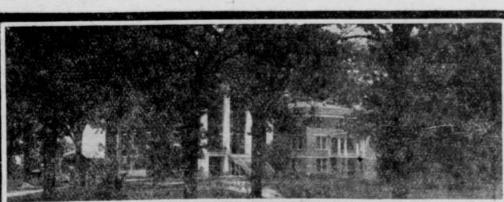
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