

CHATTANOOGA

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SYNOPSIS

Private Mark Mason, U. S. A., sent as a spy to Chattanooga by General Thomas...

"He was tracked to the river, which he must have crossed. He probably landed a mile or two below Chattanooga...

"You are welcome to," Mark could not hear to what the officer was welcome, but he surmised it was to search the house.

"What time did you go to bed?" The reply was inaudible.

"Yes, sir." "You are good Confederates, I reckon."

"Yes, sir, my son." Mark could not hear the rest, except the word "army."

"Well, with your permission, madam, we'll search." The rest was lost.

"But there was a danger in the search which would follow in the cabins.

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for Souri and Jakey with a view to gaining from them whatever he might concerning Mark's identity and his mission.

"Who are you?" he asked of Souri unkindly.

"And this boy?" "He's my brother."

"What brought you, or how did you know that the prisoner was here and in jail?"

"I'll tell you, sir. I'm a Confederate soldier. I'm here on parole. I was sent to the guard house for being late."

"How can it be? You are a Yankee commanding."

"By what authority do you assume to direct me?" "Your life belongs to me."

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"It is that ownership of human beings, Miss Fain, coming down to you from past generations, that has given you the spirit to tyrannize over me now."

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DIRT ROADS.

The surface of a dirt road should be kept of dirt, and whenever any holes or ruts have developed in the road, they should not be filled up with stone or brush, but with dirt, and with dirt as nearly as possible of the same character as the dirt composing the surface of the balance of the road.

As moisture is very detrimental to a dirt road, the sun should be permitted to strike the surface of a dirt road as much as possible, and therefore care should be taken not to have too much shade along a dirt road, and where necessary, the trees should be cut away so that the whole surface of the road is exposed to the sun for at least several hours during the day.

In repairing a dirt road the same thought must be given as in the construction of the road, and when cleaning out ditches, the material should not be thrown into the middle of the road or on any part of the surface of the road, but it should be thrown into the adjoining fields; for this material is usually composed of fine silt and vegetable material, which holds moisture like a sponge and becomes very difficult to dry out, and is entirely different in character and consistency from the dirt surface of the road.

The officers at headquarters were too busy to meddle with such a case. The provost marshal's communication was returned with the following indorsement:

In the maintenance of our dirt roads they should be divided into sections, with a foreman or overseer in charge of each section, whose duties should be to go over every mile of his section after every rain, and at least every two weeks, and wherever he finds a portion of the road needing repair he should have it done.

In repairing a dirt road: Don't fill up the holes and ruts in the dirt road with brush, with rocks on top, and a little dirt to cover the rocks, but fill up the hole with dirt of the same character, as the balance of the road.

Don't throw all the refuse from the ditches into the middle of the road, thus softening the surface and destroying the solid, firm bed that you have obtained by previous work, but throw this material out on the opposite side of the ditch.

Don't leave the center of the road the lowest point, but make it the highest and give the surface of the road a slope of about 1 in 20 to the side ditch.

Don't carry the water across the surface of the road from one side to the other, but carry it by means of culverts underneath the road.

Don't have grades on your road over 4.13 per cent, for if you do it will be necessary to build V shaped surface ditches or "thank-you-mam's" across the road.

Don't reject the split log drag because it is a cheap road machine, but use it constantly, for it is the most efficient road machine that we can use in maintaining the dirt road.

Gold and Silver Output Increases in North Carolina in 1910.

Copper Production Decreases.

North Carolina regained first place among the Eastern States in 1910 in the production of gold.

The year's mine production, according to H. D. McCasey, of the United States Geological Survey, was 3,291.68 fine ounces, valued at \$68,045, an increase over the output for 1909 of 1,345.55 fine ounces and of \$27,815 in value.

The yield of silver, recovered in refining the gold and copper produced, was 9,053 fine ounces, valued at \$4,888, an increase of 8,554 ounces and of \$4,629 in value.

The copper production was 140,514 pounds, valued at \$17,845, a decrease of 83,998 pounds and of \$11,341 in value.

There were 23 placer mines in operation in 1910 and 13 deep mines. The deep mines produced 14,914 short tons of ore, of which 12,693 tons were gold-quartz ores, with an average total recovered value in gold and silver of \$4.42 per ton, and 2,221 tons were copper ores, with an average precious metal value of \$2.51 per ton, and yielding 63.2 pounds of copper per ton.

The placers of North Carolina yielded 497.34 fine ounces of gold and 43 fine ounces of silver; the siliceous ores produced 2,745.77 fine ounces of gold and 456 fine ounces of silver; and the copper ores yielded 48.57 fine ounces of silver. The notable production of silver from North Carolina in 1910 was therefore from copper ores.

Table showing Gold, Silver, and Copper production in North Carolina by county for 1910.

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