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**RAILROADS IN NORTH CAROLINA.**  
An article in the Wilmington Messenger  
refers to the work going on in this  
State in railroad extension, but confines  
it to progress simply to short lines and  
to the filling up of missing links. The article  
somewhat excepts certain operations  
now going on from the somewhat re-  
strictive, though not enfeebling term  
"connecting links;" operations of such  
magnitude as the road from Ruth-  
erford to Cumberland Gap; that from  
Roanoke to Winston; that from Tarboro  
to Norfolk, and several others, as to sug-  
gest a distinction without a difference be-  
tween great lines and connecting links.  
However, we will not cavil on that  
point, only too glad to know how much  
railroad work is being done to counter-  
act by artificial means the obstacle of ad-  
verse topographical conditions.  
Late in the day as is railroad progress  
as we compared with the new, fresh,  
vigorous States of the northwest, North  
Carolina had the honor, not only of  
pointing out, but of leading the way in  
great enterprises of this character. We  
refer—we have frequently done it before—  
to Dr. John Caldwell's earnest effort,  
made as far back as 1827, to construct a  
line from Beaufort Harbor to Paint Rock,  
a reality now, though more than half a  
century elapsed before it was made so;  
to the Fayetteville and Salisbury road,  
chartered and surveyed in 1833, falling  
through owing to fatal dissensions  
among the directors; to the Wilmington  
and Raleigh road, chartered in 1835-6,  
afterwards completed and opened in 1840  
as the Wilmington and Weldon road, the  
north terminus having been changed  
from Raleigh to Weldon to make con-  
nection at the latter point with lines being  
built in Virginia; and the Raleigh and  
Gaston road, chartered and finished in  
the same year with the W. & R.  
This latter road deserves a lasting mem-  
ory in the minds of North Carolinians.  
It was the longest line projected in any  
part of country except the Baltimore and  
Ohio. It was undertaken by a town with  
a white population of less than fifteen  
hundred, and with an assessed property  
valuation of not more than \$400,000,  
and it was completed with very little  
help from the country along the line,  
which then had not a town or a village  
on the road, and it received no aid from  
the State. A road of 164 miles, built un-  
der such circumstances, is imperishable  
memorial to the brave, energetic and sa-  
gacious spirits, who conceived and per-  
fected such undertaking.  
A trifling, though somewhat curious,  
fact is that the first railroad in the State  
was that laid in 1832 from the ruins of  
the capitol, in Raleigh, burned in 1831,  
to the quarries, one mile southeast, to  
transport the granite to be used in re-  
building. It was a horse road, and was  
used until 1840.  
Other States long since surpassed us;  
but with a present mileage of 2,500, and  
great additions in progress, there is  
nothing for North Carolina now to be  
ashamed of.

**FIGURES DO LIE.**  
When they are manipulated by malice  
or mendacity, and particularly when  
North Carolina is the subject of statement  
or count, whether it is for valor or whether  
for filletary; whether it is for the num-  
ber of men sent to the field in the late  
war, or whether for the number of chil-  
dren she did not send to the schools. It  
is only recently that the question of the  
respective merits of the North Carolina  
troops and Pickett's Virginians has  
filled our columns, we are somewhat in-  
clined to think in favor of the former.  
Now we find in the News and Courier a  
note from a townsman of ours, asking  
the N. & C. for correction of what he con-  
ceives to be an egregious wrong set  
forth in the New York Journal of Com-  
merce, in one of those oracular, irrefrag-  
able replies to correspondents, one of whom  
solicited information as to the number of  
troops in the Confederate army furnished  
by the several States respectively. The  
Journal of Commerce gives McPherson,  
clerk of the House of Representatives, as  
authority for the statement that North  
Carolina furnished the prodigious amount  
of 25,000 men! Why, some of our coun-  
ties did almost as much as that. We  
have not the statistics at hand to correct  
such extravagant a misstatement, or  
something deserving a harsher name;  
for it is not probable that McPherson  
should ignorantly have gone so wide  
of the mark. Any of the Southern  
pages on the floor could have corrected  
him; any North Carolina member of Con-  
gress could have informed him exactly;  
for there were some "Southern Brigadiers"  
among them. Without being able to give  
exact figures in this issue, we can say that  
North Carolina, instead of furnishing 25-  
000 men, furnished 125,000 men; and,  
including Senior and Junior Reserves,  
131,000.

**WHEN THE QUESTION OF RESPONSIBILITY FOR**  
the burning of the dam which caused the  
late enormous destruction of life and  
property in the Conemaugh Valley comes  
up for investigation, there will be little  
disposition of indulgence. There is no-  
where in this country a very genial tem-  
per towards those who sequester to the  
uses of sport and pleasure large bod-  
ies of land or water, because it strikes  
at the root at that very American instinct  
of free use of all the tenants of the woods  
and the waters which nature had so pro-  
fusely distributed for the common good.  
Restrictions imposed on that use unpleas-  
ingly suggest the game and fishery laws  
which, in Europe, so sharply define the  
distinctions of classes, the privileges of  
the one, and the denials of the other. Yet,  
while there may be inward rebellious  
feelings, Americans have always respected  
the rights of property acquired to those  
special ends, and been obedient to the  
laws which threw the shield of its pro-  
tection around them. But if it should  
appear that those who acquired such ex-  
clusive right of uses had exercised them  
in such a way as to jeopardize the rights,  
the lives, the property of others, had  
failed in prudent oversight, had neg-  
lected prudent safeguards, had disre-  
garded warnings; had wrapped them-  
selves up in contemptuous sense of ir-  
responsibility, then they are apt, when  
their day comes, to find themselves very  
rude roused from their self-complacency,  
and roughly handled, not only at the  
bar of indignant public opinion, but at  
bar which mete out its judgments in dol-  
lars and cents, in bars and bolts, it, for-  
tunately for the subject of "inquisition  
for blood," it goes no farther.

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That the whole American heart is stirred  
by the miseries of any por-  
tion of those with whom it beats  
in unison is shown by the quick response  
to the appeal for relief. Already three  
million dollars have been collected for the  
Johnstown sufferers. The contributions  
of the larger northern cities are munifi-  
cent in the extreme, those of New York  
and Philadelphia each exceeding half a  
million dollars. The largest sum yet sent  
from any southern city is from Ar-  
gus, \$10,000; Charleston has con-  
tributed about \$6,000. The enormous  
wealth of the North, with hundreds  
of individual fortunes, reaching from one  
million to one hundred million dollars,  
makes the obligations of benevolent aid  
not only to fall more easily, but to bear  
more imperatively. To whom such is  
given, much is expected. But though  
relatively poorer, the South cannot evade  
its obligation or deny its debt of grati-  
tude. Charleston, Memphis, Augusta,  
Jacksonville, all have had their hour  
of tribulation, and they were comforted in  
their sorrows, and largely so by northern  
sympathizers in their sufferings.

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The Mayflower landed at Plymouth in  
1620, two hundred and sixty-nine years  
ago. A gentleman named Stetson has  
just died at Duxbury, Mass., at the age  
of 97, who remembered Ebenezer Cobb,  
born in 1694, died in 1801, who remem-  
bered Perigrine White, who was born in  
the cabin of the Mayflower and died in  
1704. These three lives bridge over the  
gap between the wilderness America and  
the empire United States; between the  
unpenetrated forest domain of the savage  
and the splendid dominion of the densely  
populated area of the highest enlighten-  
ment; between a world unknown to history  
and a world itself making history.  
Albeit the French claim to be bound in  
indissoluble sympathy with Americans,  
because of ties created in the conduct of  
the American revolution, they display  
strange ignorance of American affairs  
and men, amounting to ludicrous anach-  
ronism. Gen. Franklin, the chief director  
of the American branch of the Exposi-  
tion, must have some singular emotions  
as he walks the streets of Paris, in the  
eyes of the rural, if not the city, French,  
the resuscitated Ben Franklin of one  
hundred years ago, the idol of the popu-  
lar. It is pleasant, or it may be other-  
wise, to profit by a dead man's fame.  
We take the following from the Rich-  
mond Dispatch:  
The Tribune has interviewed a Doctor  
from California who is now in New York.  
On the way from New Orleans to New  
York the Doctor heard the Pullman  
porter say:  
"When I am down in New Orleans it  
seems just like I was a slave again, but  
when I gets back home, north of the  
Ohio river, I takes a deep breath and  
thanks God I is a free man."  
Ten dollars will take a smart negro  
from Richmond to New York. In New  
York he can make ten dollars a month  
more than he can in Richmond. But  
here he stays. He can't be enticed, nor  
lured, nor otherwise induced to change  
his domicile. There are thirty thousand  
negroes in Richmond. Why don't they  
immigrate to Philadelphia, Brooklyn,  
New York and Boston? Every one of  
them could get employment in those  
cities at prices higher than the price  
which they are paid in this city.  
Why do they all stay here? Because  
their lives are happy, whilst in a north-  
ern city they would find no happiness—  
not even contentment. Here the negro  
thanks God he is a free man. In those  
cities he is a nobody.  
Dr. Parker Prays cream Van-Ola, Rosa-  
line, Ougaline and Diamond nail powder  
having now become the ladies' favorites,  
at F. L. Jacob's drug store, these popular  
manicure articles may always be found,  
together with pocket emery board, or-  
ange wood sticks, nail scissors, files and  
other such requisites. Also a complete  
line of drugs and toilet articles, in ad-  
dition to the Hebe Soda Fountain from  
which ice cold drinks are dispensed. Cor-  
ner Main street and Patton avenue.

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Pithy was the following toast, pro-  
posed at a shoe-maker's dinner: "May ye  
have all the women in the country to  
shoe and all the men to boot."  
Entitled to the Best.  
All are entitled to the best that their  
money will buy, so every family should  
have, at once, a bottle of the best family  
remedy, Syrup of Figs, to cleanse the  
system when constive or bilious. For sale  
in 50c. and \$1.00 bottles at all leading  
druggists.  
Can it be true that Theodore Roosevelt  
wants the Civil-Service Commission  
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