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HOSTILITY TO RAILROAD COR- PORATIONS.

We quote the following from the New York Sun as illustrative of a sentiment singularly and widely prevalent.

"In some of the Western States, notably in Iowa and Missouri, there is manifested a growing disposition to legislate against the railroads, to cut down their earnings capacity, and to make them profitless to the men who built them and to those whose capital is now invested in them.

There are some conservatives left, old fogies they are called, who regard the coming of the railroad as the flood of all woes; as the destroyer of the primitive ways and customs of the people, the banisher of the simplicity of habits, of the in- troduction of artificial wants and luxuries and the era of extravagance, as the con- rupter of manners, and in effect a school of vice and wickedness.

Wanting more, it seems a strange in- consistency in human nature, that the moment the beneficent influences of a rail- road manifest themselves just so soon does hostility spring up between the commu- nities benefited—often created—by railroads, and the railroads themselves, and a warfare goes on, as if interests were antagonistic, instead of being inter- dependent.

"The killing of Mr. Page. Like the Landmark we have thought that there was singular apathy, both at the scene of the tragedy and throughout the State at the killing of a man, who, whatever his faults—and they were human faults—had strong claims to consid- eration, not on account of his birth, his lineage, or his family connections, but for those qualities of education, culture, tal- ent and professional reputation, posses- sions and requirements of his own, which seem to make it incredible that such a man should be supposed to pass into forgetfulness, his sudden and cruel death regarded as a trivial incident, his cause ignored by the people and the press, and the machinery of the law apparently so apathetic in the pursuit of its duty.

CHICKAMAUGA.

A Washington letter in the New York Sun indicates that the writer has been paying attention to the statistics of the battle of Chickamauga. That is the bat- tle in which the 60th North Carolina regiment participated, and in which it suffered so severely. Many gallant sur- vivors live in Timmonsville and adjoining communities to recall the exploits and the horrors of that day.

Chickamauga was for both sides the bloodiest battle of the war, in propor- tion to numbers and the time of the en- gagement, and it far outranked in the percentage of killed and wounded any of the battles of modern Europe.

The marvel of German fighting in the great battle of Mars la Tour was per- formed by the Third Westphalian regi- ment. It suffered the heaviest loss in the German army during the Franco-Prussian war. It went into the battle 3,000 strong, and its loss was 49.4 per cent.

There was nothing in the companies of which it formed to mark which exceeded those figures, and they became famous throughout the German army. And yet in our own war there were over sixty regi- ments whose losses exceeded this. Seven- teen of them lost above 60 per cent, and quite a number ranged from 70 to 80.

Of Georgia's brigade, the First Alabama Legion lost 71 per cent; the Sixty-third Tennessee, 43.7 per cent. This brigade of Georgia, which suffered such terrible loss within the space of an hour, carried into action 2,003 officers and men, and in this time lost 628 killed and wounded. The Second Alabama brigade lost 31 killed and wounded out of 229. In the assault on the Ridge, in which these losses occurred, the colors of the Second Alabama were pinned in eighty-three places. They were pre- served, by request, presented to President Davis, and the standard-bearer, Robert W. Howell, was promoted for conspicuous courage and valor.

Our friend Creedy, of the Elizabeth City Economist, gives each month watering accounts of the grapes and other fruits of Roanoke Island, and if they did not per- fect at a season of the year when the de- scent from a mountain to a low country climate were not somewhat perilous, we might be tempted to visit the famous scuppernon vineyards of the islands, single vines of which sometimes cover an acre of ground. Roanoke Island retains the name that Amulias and Barlow gave it as the land of the grape. But we have always thought those worthy voyagers drew upon their imaginations for their facts; or in their ignorance of the grape might ascribe to the miserable little win- ter grape the same excellence that belongs to the luscious product of Provence or Languedoc. They, or some of the old dis- coverers, fell into that snare when they called the little grapes of New England when they could find only sour and un- palatable grapes by the fascinating title of Vinlands. The Scuppernon did not grow on Roanoke Island at the time of its dis- covery. It was found one hundred and fifty years later in Tyrrell county on the main land. But it found a congenial home on the island. Hence what Mr. Creedy says about it, and also his surprising statements about other fruits of the same happy isle.

It is certainly true of the Scuppernon grape that it is produced on Roanoke Island in larger quantities to the acre and of finer quality than elsewhere. Other cultives near the sea, or on sandy soils, produce the Scuppernon grape very well, but the Roanoke grapes of this grape are superior to all others. Vines covering an acre of ground will produce six to eight hundred gallons of scuppernon wine, and as evidence of the fitness of the island for their production it has been shown in various cases that a Scuppernon grape vine removed from the island to the adjacent counties in the interior will not produce a grape of the same quality or productiveness. As to other fruits our observations are not so familiar, but our friend says that the apples, peaches and vine fruits of Roanoke Island are superior to fruits of the same kind produced in any part of North Car- olina.

Dr. Parker's cream Van Oia, Rosi- line, Ophele and Diamond nail powder have now become the ladies' favorites, at F. L. Jacob's drug store, those popular manure articles may always be found, together with pocket emery board, orange wood sticks, nail scissors, files and other such requisites. Also a complete line of drugs and toilet articles, in addition to the Hebe Soda Fountain from which ice cold drinks are dispensed. Cor- ner Main street and Patton avenue.

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