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PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

the Stockholders of the Atlantic & North Carolina Railroad Com-

MTLEMEN-We berewith subit to your consideration the thirtynt and Directors.

the loan of \$50,000 authorized the Board of Directors on No-aber 9th of that year to comete the laying of steel rails bealready been paid with the exl be settled within the next

The great quantity of new ma-rial placed in the track, together ith the vast amount of work per-cased during the past twelve oths, has strained our financial ources to the utmost, and it will e several months before we shall a again ready to assume new obligat one to continue the work of re-construction. In the meanwhile our time will be fally occupied with

working in the large stock of material now on hand. During the year somewhat more han two thousand and three hundred tons of steel rails have been leaving three-quarters of a le of iron rails between New as and Goldsboro. This gap all be filled in with steel rails upon constion of sammer travel. commended that one thouplaced in the track before the sing summer. This amount in addition to the best of the old iron h now on hand with those that can be secured from the track thus mewed will enable us to still uther quicken our passenger chadule, and to put the balance of

the old from track, a little less than twenty four miles, in very fair con-dition for another year's service, at the expiration of which time, at the very latest, it should be entire. It replaced with steel, as the vitality of the iron seems to be entirely gone, and it is wearing

very rapidly, and we do not believe it can safely be trusted for a longer

greatly needed, as many ties at once. In another year it probably be possible to report aparatively sound track. The in a great measure accounted e bent and twisted condition the old iron rails as wells as the and uneven condition of the which has been spaced we do healtate upon emergency to regularity and dispatch. all trains at the greatest speed to the locomotives. It will

been put in Newport river bridge, repair, better than for years past. and is otherwise being repaired. The Atlantic Hotel at Morehead, has been replaced.

tion of bridges, trestle: cattle The permanent location of the guards, and culverts, has been Teacher's Assembly of this State adopted, and they are now built has been secured at Morehead, from uniform standard working where a fine Assembly Hall has drawings. These working plans been erected for their use. Our study of the most improved meth- terially be increased thereby. ods of bridge and trestle construcstructures will in a short course of company time assume a symmetry and uni- requires

an interchange of parts, resulting present fiscal year ends May 31st. in great economy in the con- so it will be necessary at this meet-struction department. The ter- ing to change this date to June minal wharf and warehouse at 30th, and this must be done in Morehead have been completed, order to conform to this require-This is one of the most substantial, ment. commodious, and convenient buildalso been erected at Morehead.

at Core creek.

Three new truck platforms have practicable. been erected along the line. Two of these are covered.

thereon. ditched and thoroughly drained Close attention to its traffic, howd and two hundred tons of steel from New Berne to Morehead, and ever, and the various changes in this respect is now in better fix constantly taking than when first constructed, as the systems, and combinations necessystem of drainage is perfect, and sarily resulting therefrom will has been constructed without re- eventually make it a valuable gard to time or expense. There is property. no longer any trouble from water

on this end of the road. A gang of men is now engaged in cutting out fifty feet of the right of way between New Berne and Morebeen in great measure finished. About the middle of August should be begun the ditching and draining between New Berne and Goldsboro, 40,998 cross ties have been used and it should be prosecuted timber, old pletion. All felled timber, old cross ties, etc., the accumulation of years, are now being regularly atributed, making a total of 54,498 years, are now being regularly.

This amount and more have piled for burning, and the right of way is gradually beginning to assame a neat and tidy appearance.

Notwithstanding the immense are now being accurately amount of work that has recently d twenty-four inches from been done upon the road, and the ntre to centre. Heretofore they great quantity of material that has been laid with little or no been placed in it, one must not scularity, in many cases being as suppose that it is in first-class connects as one yard apart. This has dition, for it is not, and it, will take years to put it so, but the work of reconstruction is under full headway and is being pushed forward, and at last has begun to show.

No passenger connection has

After nearly three years of con-stant effort we have been enabled take a year longer to com. to establish an all rail route for the this work, as it is slow and truck of this section, reducing the time between New Berne and New time between New Berne and New York about twenty-four hours.

Truck now reaches New York in ly every fie in the track.

thirty-two hours and ten minutes from New Berne, going through in solid trains, there being no transfer, culvarts, etc., and is being fer, as the cars are carried to the liv worked into them. The scott's creek bridge have on flats. This quick time has been leted by the addition of immense benefit to our truckers, of immense benefit to our truckers, as it has made it possible for them to get better prices for their products, and they have arrived at their destination in better condition, owing to lack of handling, and the short period of transportation in benefit and twenty to a ventilated cars. These vegetable trains in many instances were run at the highest speed the angines could make, and have

spans in the trestles over the low grounds on the north side of this river have been reduced one half, then the destine secure per modil. To JOHRALL a memory flugging at 1.50 may remain severy flugging at 1.50 may remain severy flugging at 1.50 may been placed in Trent river have been placed in the approaches to its draw, and there is a limited and the approaches to its draw, and there is a limited from all maintenance bearing prices.

In all bearing and the trestles over the low beful them.

New house needed, While the engines have been kept in a state of repair they are work out and used up through constant active for a long number of years. It will soon be imperatively necessary price.

It will soon be imperatively necessary to supply their places with now machines. Two first class passenger coaches and thirty flat and box cars would materially increase our facilities for handling business, but the wants of the track and road bed have been so great that in all cases where possible the many needs of other departments have been sacrificed to them, and should be until they can be rebuilt. The rolling stock is in a good state of a many and anothers are meeded.

A new and improved draw has A new and improved draw has rolling stock is in a good state of

The tin roof over Stony creek bridge whose interests and those of this has been replaced.

Twelve new culverts have been built, and all bridges, treatles, and culverts have been thoroughly inspected, and material ordered for their repair wherever needed. An uniform standard for the construction.

have been adopted after mich passenger earnings will very ma-

The Inter-State Commerce tion, and as a consequence these Commission, to which ruling this 18 now that the formity of shape and increase of report to be made by carriers shall atrength to which they have hither cover the period ending with the to been strangers, as well as allow 30th day of June in each year. Our

The voluminous collection of ings of its kind in the Southern blanks for the exhaustive and de States, and is a great acquisition tailed report demanded by the to the badly needed facilities at commission is submitted to your this point. A new water tank has inspection, and it is therefore necessary that the annual meeting A new warehouse, ticket office of stockholders be again changed, and waiting room have been built and we suggest the last Thursday in August as the most early date

While the tonnage of the road has been much increased we have One new side track has been put been forced to accept a lower pron, and the siding at Clark's has portion of rates to retain the busibeen extended to hold thirty cars. ness we have secured. It is very The old fron frogs of antiquated doubtful if the through tonnage pattern are being replaced by new can be further augmented, and we steel frogs of the most approved shall have to look to the development of local and passenger busi-Your attention is especially called ness to give us greater earnings. to the yard at Morehead and to the It is an unequal struggle this road vast improvement in appearance has been maintaining with its and condition of the tracks, etc., powerful competitors, and it has done well even by the closest The road has been continuously economy to have beld its own. ca in railway

The general condition of the road has greatly improved during the past twelve months, and your inspection of it in every detail is cordially invited. It has been a head and all trees on either side year of great activity among the employes, and all have cheerfully bent themselves to the increased labor demanded of them. It is with great satisfaction that we behold the physical condition of the line each year more nearly approximating that of the best railways in the South. The road still has many needs to be supplied, notably pas-senger depots and more warehouses, especially a passenger depot at Morehead terminal, and a warehouse and passenger depot in the town of Morehead. These wants should be supplied as soon as press

> The Governor of the State has aided every effort for the improve-ment of the road, and we are under obligations to him for his wise counsel and the interest he has manifested.

There has been no attempt to accumulate balances. The earnings have been expended in betterments as rapidly as received, and this policy should be continued until the road is equipped and placed in first-class condition.

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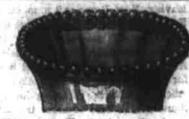
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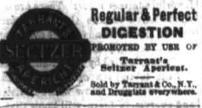
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