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TO THE

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OF THE

SEABOARD AND ROANOKE RAILROAD COMPANY,

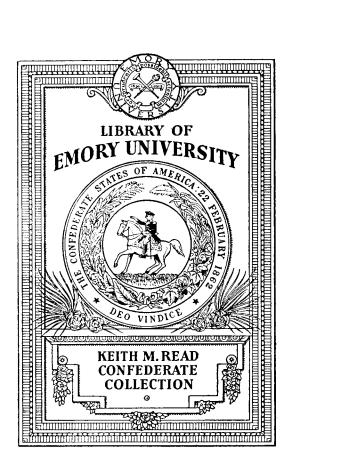
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PRESIDENT SAMUEL M. WILSON

> -----0------DIRECTORS

THOMAS HUME, RICHARD WALKE,

MONCURE ROBINSON. THOMAS HUME, MONCORE RODINGON, DAVID A. BARNES, GEORGE R. VICKERS, WM. LYTTLETON SAVAGE.

> TREASURER RICHARD WALKE

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GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT.

JOHN M ROBINSON -----

> MASTER TRANSPORTATION. OWEN D BALL

FREIGHT AGENTS WM G WEBB, PORTSMOUTH, VA., E N. PETERSON, WELDON, N. C.

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ROAD MASTER SAMUEL T. HAND.

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MASTER MACHINIST JEROME B PENDLETON

Annual Report.

Office of the Seaboard & Roanoke Railroad Co., Portsmouth, Va., February 28th, 1861.

The Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of the Seaboard & Roanoke Railroad Company was held at their office, in Portsmouth, this day.

On Motion, Chas. A. Grice, Esq., was called to the Chair, and Richard Walke appointed Secretary.

On motion, W J. Baker and J. M. Robinson, Esqs., were appointed a committee to ascertain the amount of Stock represented in the meeting.

The Committee reported, that a quorum was not present, when, on motion,

Resolved, that the meeting be adjourned until Thursday, the 28th of March, at 11 o'clock, A. M.

CHAS. A. GRICE, CHAIRMAN.

RICHARD WALKE, SECRETARY.

Office of the Seaboard & Roanoke Railroad Co., Portsmouth, Va., March 28th, 1861.

An adjourned meeting of the Stockholders of the Seaboard & Roanoke Railroad Company was held at their office, in Portsmouth, this day.

Chas. A. Grice, Esq., in the Chair.

Messrs. W L. Savage, Tazewell Taylor and Richard Walke were appointed a committee to ascertain the number of shares of Capital Stock represented, and the number of votes to which they were entitled.

The Committee submitted the following report:-

The whole number of shares of Capital Stock issued by the Company, is 8680. The whole number of votes, is 4933.

The whole number of shares represented in person and by proxy, is 6593. The whole number of votes to which the shares represented are entitled, is 3725.

On motion, the report of the Committee was accepted.

The President submitted and read the Thirteenth Annual Report of the President and Directors to the Stockholders, which, on motion, was received and ordered to be recorded.

The Report of the General Superintendent, and of the Committee appointed to examine the condition of the Road, Machine Shops and Roll-

ing Stock of the Company, and the Statements of the Treasurer, showing the financial condition of the Company, of the Master of Transportation, and of the Master Machinist were laid before the Meeting, and, on motion, ordered to be filed.

The following resolutions were then offered and adopted:

Whereas, it is essential to the interest of the Company and the Public, that the rates of freight by steamships, between the port of Norfolk and Portsmouth and New York, should be reduced to the lowest remunerative standard; and it is believed, that if this cannot be otherwise effected, the best interest of the Company will be advanced by running one or more steamships, between the terminus of our Road, at Portsmouth, and the city of New York; therefore

Resolved, that the restriction of the resolution adopted by the Stockholders on the 25th day of February, 1858, limiting the appropriation of the funds of the Company to the sum of fifteen thousand dollars, in any action the Board of Directors might take under the act "to authorize the Seaboard and Roanoke Rail Road Company to establish lines of steam vessels from the port of Norfolk and Portsmouth" is hereby removed, and the President and Directors are authorized to take such measures for the establishment of a steamship line, between the port of Norfolk and Portsmouth and New York, as they may deem advisable.

Resolved, that the Board of Directors be authorized, at their discretion, to suspend so much of the twelfth article of the By Laws, as requires the checks of the Treasurer to be countersigned by the President, and all accounts against the Company to be approved by the President, and that the Board of Directors make such provision in regard to the same as they may deem advisable.

On motion, Messrs. W W Sharp, Robert Dickson and Thomas B. Rowland were re-appointed a committee to examine into the condition of the Road, Shops, &c., and report to the next Annual Meeting.

The Meeting then proceeded to the election of officers for the ensuing year, whereupon SAML. M. WILSON, Esq., was nominated and unanimously re-elected President, and the following gentlemen Directors:—

THOMAS HUME, GEORGE R. VICKERS, MONCURE ROBINSON, DAVID A. BARNES, W.M. LYTTLETON SAVAGE, RICHAED WALKE.

On motion, the President and Directors were instructed to have printed, such reports and proceedings of this meeting as they may deem advisable.

On motion, the meeting then adjourned.

CHAS. A. GRICE, CHAIRMAN.

RICHARD WALKE, SECRETARY.

THIRTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT AND DIRECTORS TO THE STOCKHOLDERS OF THE SEA-BOARD AND ROANOKE RAILROAD COMPANY.

GENTLEMEN :-

We submit the Report of our operations since your last Annual Meeting, and of the condition of the Company on the 31st of January, 1861.

The business of the Road, which has been steadily increasing since its re-construction, exhibits a larger increase than in any previous year, and as heretofore, it has taken place chiefly in freights.

The increase in receipts, compared with those of the year 1859-60, has been,

From Passengers,
been, From transportation of Passengers, \$94,505-17
" of Freights and U. S.
mail,
Total,
The current expenses, embracing all ex-
penditures for the year for operating the
Road, repairs and construction, have
been\$112,233 19
Having as a nett revenue from operating the Road \$143,222 39 a profit of 13\frac{1}{3} per cent on the Capital Stock of the Company, after paying the interest on our entire debt.
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And from our first Mortgage Bonds, ex-
tended and sold, $25,100$ 00
And we had in hand, at the beginning of
the fiscal year, in cash
And have received from open accounts and
other debts due the Company, at the be-
ginning of the fiscal year
Together making the sum of \$329,458 08
Of this we have expended during the year, as follows:
In purchase of Peete's wharf, in Portsmouth
and four acres of gravel land at Mcherrin \$10,150 00
" interest on Bonds, Dividends on Guaran-
teed Stock, Discount, Exchange and com-
missions,
" First Mortgage Bonds of the Company, 94,000 00
"Third Mortgage Bonds of the Company, 3,500 00
" liquidation of bills payable, 42,144 91
" purchase of 93 shares in Baltimore Steam
Packet Company,
" payment of open accounts, &c., 26,106 22
Making the sum of \$320,135 68,
and leaving a cash balance on hand, on the 31st of Janu-
ary, 1861, of \$9,322 40
In addition thereto, there is also due the Company, by open account and
otherwise, the sum of \$35,551 70, the larger portion of which is imme-
diately available. For more minute details of our receipts and expendi-

For more minute details of our receipts and expendidiately available. tures, we refer to the statements of the Treasurer, herewith submitted.

By the foregoing statement it will be seen, that the ratio of our operating expenses to Road Earnings has been largely diminished. a great extent, is the result of a careful economy, which we have endeavored to secure in the management of every department of the Company's service, and in which we have been most ably seconded by the General Superintendent and heads of departments, and is, in part, owing to the low rates of speed to which the movement of the trains have been limited—no expenditure has been spared which the efficiency of the Road, and equipment and maintenance of the property required; and we believe that depreciation has been fully counterbalanced by repair. We refer to the report of the General Superintendent, made to the Board. and herewith presented, as showing, in detail, the condition of the Road and property of the Company, and the construction and repairs and transportation operations of the year.

At your last meeting, at the suggestion of the Board, you authorized an issue and sale of stock, should it become necessary, to meet any portion of the first mortgage bonds, which matured on the first of August last. A temporary loan, (which was paid off from the current receipts of the year,) with the means already on hand, enabled us to purchase all the bonds, which were not extended, save one bond for one thousand dollars, the holder of which we have not been able to ascertain. It was thus rendered unnecessary to take any action under your resolution authorizing an issue of stock. Of the entire mortgage for three hundred thousand dollars of bonds, two hundred and five thousand dollars have been extended, as to the time of payment, to the 1st of August, 1880, and ninety-four thousand dollars are now in the possession of the Company; leaving outstanding, to be paid or extended, only the bond for one thousand dollars above mentioned.

In addition to the purchase of bonds, we have been enabled, from the receipts of the year, to liquidate our entire bills payable, amounting, at the beginning of the year, to the sum of \$42,144 91; and thus reduced the indebtedness of the Company, allowance being made for the \$94,000 of first mortgage bonds purchased and held by the Company under the resolution of February 25th, 1858, to a bonded debt of \$410,403 50, and the sum of \$10,774 28, due the State of North Carolina, and about \$1,000, due by open account.

In view of the favorable financial condition of the affairs of the Company, thus attained, the Board deemed it proper and expedient to make a cash dividend of three and a half per cent for the last six months, payable on the 1st day of March proximo, which they accordingly have declared. It is the first that has been made on the common stock, and, we think, has been prudently postponed until fully warranted by the condition of the Company. In our past and prospective business, we see nothing to create a doubt, that remunerative dividends may be continued in future.

At the date of our last report, we had just caused to be constructed the steamer Philadelphia, for the route between the terminus of our Road, at Portsmouth, and that of the Delaware Road, at Seaford: but, before placing her on the line, it became manifest to the Board, that a better

arrangement for the Company would be, to have the route between Portsmouth and Seaford run by the Baltimore Steam Packet Company, provided this company could become interested, as a stockholder in that. A negotiation was accordingly entered into, which resulted in the sale of the Philadelphia to that company, at cost, and this company becoming the purchaser of ninety three shares (about one third) of the stock of that company, at par value. The Baltimore Steam Packet Company subsequently placed the steamer on her contemplated route, and ran her until the approach of Winter, when she was withdrawn. With the opening of Spring the line to Seaford will be resumed by the Baltimore Steam Packet Company, running in connection with our Road.

Our steamship connections with the cities of Baltimore, Philadelphia, New York and Boston, remain as at the date of our last report; and greatly exceed, both in expedition and frequency those at any other port in the Southern States. To facilitate these connections, we found it desirable, during the year, to purchase the wharf adjoining our property on High street, in Portsmouth, owned by Dr. G. W Peete, which was obtained at a reasonable price.

The business of the past year has been prosperous, the Road and property of the Company are in good order, and competent to meet all probable requirements; the financial condition is excellent; the officers and agents are efficient, attentive and faithful; and our relations with all connecting lines are on a favorable footing—may we not hope that this gratifying state of the affairs of the Company will continue? We see nothing to cause distrust—even the political storm, that is sweeping over the country, and rending as under the fabric of our Union, will, in all probability, leave the Company unscathed; for, into whatever political divisions the country may be severed, the lot of Virginia and North Carolina will be cast together, and this will secure, in political as well as business connection with us, the region whence whatever prosperity we may enjoy must be mainly derived.

Respectfully submitted by the President and Directors.

SAML. M. WILSON, Prest.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE,
SEABOARD & ROANOKE RAILROAD CO.
PORTSMOUTH, Feb. 1861.

TO THE PRESIDENT AND DIRECTORS OF THE S. & R. RAILROAD CO.,

Gentlemen :- I respectfully submit to you my

report of the operations of your road, for the year ending with January 31st, 1861.

The receipts of your road for the year, have been as follows: From Passengers, \$94,505 17

" Ta . 1.	70.000	4 1		
" Freights,	52,950	41	•	
" U. S. Mail,	-8,000	00		
Total from Transportation,	,		.\$255,455	58
Dividends, Wharfage, Interest, Rents, &c.			25.426	52
Making your Gross Revenue				10
The operating expenses of the road have be	en as fol	llow	s:	
Officers salaries,	\$ 6,708	89		
Office expenses,	682	29		
Depot expenses,				
Road and Bridge repairs,	33,415	49		
Train expenses,				
Repairs of Engines and Cars,	14 814	57		
Horses,				
Stock killed,	526	75		
Manchandian last	050	00		
Merchandise lost,	200 956	07		
Taxes,				
Insurance,	990	22		
Contingent and travelling expenses,	828	60		
Total,				3 9
Deduct from this amount for more material of				
on Feb. 1st, 1860,			221	09
	7			
			\$112,012	30
Deduct for excess of bills of previous years, pai	d and ch	arg-		
ed to the current expenses of this year, beyon				
standing Feb. 1st 1861				23
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Leaving as operating expenses for the year			\$104.515	07
being little over 37 per cent of your gross in				٠.
40 per cent of your receipts for transportation		wii	~	
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It will thus be seen, that the expenditure for the year has been considerably lessened, whilst the receipts from transportation have increased

\$24,919 11, and from other sources \$15,516 89, making a nett result for your operations of 55,314 27 better than for the previous year.

The actual cost of operating the road is less than is above exhibited, but as there has been no account kept for construction or increase of stock, all such items have been charged directly to the operating expenses.

Although it will appear, from my report of new construction carried on during the year, that your road and equipment have been gradually improving, there is neverthelesss a constant, but scarcely appreciable depreciation taking place in the rails, and although it would be ill advised to replace these, except when actually needed, an allowance should always be made in view of the cost of their renewal.

I should judge, that upon your road, with its present traffic, a relay equal to four miles each year would be necessary to preserve it in good condition. The cost of re-rolling rails has been found not to exceed \$2,064 55 per mile, inclusive of freight. Ninety-five hundredths of a mile of iron has been laid during the past year. A balance of 35-100 miles, at a cost of \$6,286 87, should be considered in examining the cost of operating your road.

It has been my endeavor during the past year, so far as was practicable, to make each payments for purchases, believing that by so doing, materials would be obtained upon the best terms. At the end of the fiscal year, there is estimated as outstanding only about \$473.

It will be seen by reference to the statement of the Master of Transportation, that there has been a slight increase in travel. This has been in through passengers. In freights the principal increase has been in through up freights and in cotton. There has been an increase of 8432 bales of cotton carried over the road. The most marked falling off has been in flour, naval stores and staves.

About the 8th day of last June, your steamer, the "Philadelphia," was received of the Potomac Steamboat Company, to whom she had been chartered for ice service, and preparations were at once made to place her upon the proposed line to Scaford. By an arrangement with the Baltimore Steam Packet Company, the "Philadelphia" was transferred to and the line opened by them. Although the business of this line has not been so large as was anticipated for it, its operations have given promise that it will become not only remunerative in itself, but add largely to the business of the road.

### ROAD

Your road has been maintained in a good condition throughout the year. During the wet winter months, portions of it had become rough and uneven, particularly in the Dismal Swamp, and certain cuttings through pipe-clay soil; but in most of these cases, gravel and sand have been laid under the sills to the depth of about ten inches. This, with good drainage, has afforded an effectual remedy. The purchase of the Meherrin gravel bank, the only one on the line of the road, has already proved of much value. A regular system of gravelling has been introduced, and about three miles of the road bed have been gravelled during the year. It may be safely said, that the first element to successful railway economy, is the maintenance of a good road way, and nowhere is it more directly shown, than in the diminished cost of repairs to machinery and ears.

### TRACK

The increased wear upon the track is scarcely appreciable. Nearly a mile of new iron has been laid, with a wrought iron chair of a new pattern, purchased with the iron of the Phænix Iron Company. A curve has been placed, leading from High street to Water street, thus dispensing, to a great extent, with the turn-table at the foot of High street, and effecting a considerable reduction of labor at that point. Three short sidlings have been added at the shops, at the 74 mile post and at Weldon. Upwards of 20,000 sills have been laid within the year. This is rather more than the average that will be hereafter needed.

### BRIDGES AND TRESTLE WORK

The bridges and trestle work have undergone constant examination, and wherever decay was noticed, new timber has been substituted.

At Nottoway the caps and stringers have been entirely renewed. At Meherrin a new bridge has been built, and on the flats the trestle work has been thoroughly overhauled. Eight hundred and twenty-five lineal feet, containing 16000 cubic yards of earth embankment, have been added, in lieu of trestle work, at this point. Stone culverts and embankment have replaced the short trestles near the 22d, 35th, 57th, 72d and 74th mile posts. The stone for these culverts was purchased at Port Deposit, Md., and is of excellent quality.

Three spans of Weldon Bridge have been placed in thorough repair and well covered with new decking. Repairs are at this time progressing with the two remaining spans and with the trestle work. This most important bridge will soon be in a condition to need but little repair for some years.

### DEPOTS.

Your depots have needed but little attention. A new car shed, with iron roof, and with ample capacity for the passenger and baggage equipment, has been erected near the shops. A neat cottage is in progress of erection at Weldon Bridge, for the use of the Bridge Tender. A small car house has been built at Weldon, and also a blacksmith and carpenter shop, to supply the wants of the Raleigh and Gaston Rail Road Company, and ourselves at that point, at our joint expense.

### SHOPS

The shops are as last year, with the exception of the purchase of a new lathe, as recommended by your committee. Its cost was \$2,100.

### MACHINERY

The engines have been maintained in an efficient condition. The alterations of valve motion, &c., to the Wm. Collins, were completed last Spring and have resulted most satisfactorily. She has been running since then with great regularity, and, with the passenger train, has proved the most economical and efficient engine in the Company's service. A small engine, weighing one and a half tons, has been built to be used by the Road Master in examining the Road. I would call your attention to the statement of the Superintendent of Machinery: it will be perceived from it, that 121,306 miles were run by your engines during the year, at an average cost of 2,98 cents per mile run.

### C A R S

Since the last report, three box cars and one passenger and baggage car have been built at the Company's shop, and added to the equipment of the road. Two mail and passenger cars, one baggage car, ten box cars, and five flats have been rebuilt, and one car, 39 feet long, for the material train, is nearly completed. One baggage car has been broken up. All the cars have been repaired, where repairs were needed, and all are at this time in excellent condition, with the exception of three box cars and eight flats, which require extensive repairs, and in some cases rebuilding. Your equipment is ample to accommodate the present business of the road.

### ACCIDENTS.

Three losses of life occurred on the road in the past year. A white fireman and a free negro, in the compley of the Company, and a free ne-

gro woman were run over through their own carelessness, and killed. An irregular freight train was delayed through the breakage of a crank axle to the engine "Virginia." With this exception, no train has been for a moment delayed by the slightest accident to machinery or cars.

### FREE PASSES

Applications for free passes are frequent and often annoying. Endeavor has been made to diminish this evil, of which so many roads justly complain.

In conclusion I would add, that with rare exceptions, the duties of the officers and men in your employ, have been performed satisfactorily. I feel especially indebted to the assistance of your Masters of Transportation, Road, and Machinery, through whose earnest co-operation I have been enabled to present to you so favorable a report.

JOHN M. ROBINSON, GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT,

### REPORT OF EXAMINING COMMITTEE.

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TO THE STOCKHOLDERS OF THE SEABOARD

AND ROANOKE RAILROAD COMPANY:

Gentlemen:—The under-

signed, a Committee, acting under a resolution of your last meeting, respectfully

### REPORT,

That, on the 1st instant, they visited and inspected the Shop of the Company, at Portsmouth, which appeared to be conducted with care and economy. They were especially pleased with a lately purchased lathe, the operations of which will greatly facilitate the character of the work, which has hitherto been done at some disadvantage. The cost of this machine, as the Committee were informed, was \$2,100, delivered here by the Putnam Machine Company, of Pittsburg.

A new car shop has been recently completed, in which the rolling stock and equipments are made, and which seems to be well fitted for its objects. We found within it two box-cars, being repaired, and two new express cars in process of construction. The locomotive "Palmetto"

was also undergoing repairs; and we saw the locomotive "Wm. Collins," which has also been recently rebuilt and remodeled, and seems to be in perfect condition.

The new passenger car shed, iron roof, to shelter the cars, &c, and the commodious Engine House are in excellent order, as indeed everything connected with the Shop appeared to be. The convenience and economy in the structure are apparent to the most superficial observer, and will bear very favorable comparison with any like buildings, that your committee have seen.

The Committee next proceeded to Suffolk, and found the road or track in good order, much improved by having a portion of it through the swamp, raised about 8 inches, and relaid, for about three miles, with substantial new iron. The old warehouse, at this point, is somewhat dilapidated, and the iron at the crossings near the warehouse, considerably worn.

Afer leaving Suffolk, they went on their way to Smith's Creek, where they stopped sometime, to examine the work at that point. It will be remembered, that it was here a serious accident occurred, about three years ago, and although there was no loss of life, still it was attended with damage to the freight, and with no inconsiderable cost to the Company The bridge at this creek is in good condition, and, perhaps, as good as such a structure need be, for present use and safety; but the embankment is high, with tressle work, which will require unremitting vigilance, and, in the opinion of the Committee, should be substituted by stone or iron, as shall be deemed best upon further examination. The Committee believe, that both economy and safety require this improvement to be made, and, that the sooner it is permanently done the better.

Between this point and Nottoway River, the Committee stopped several times, and examined the iron; and particularly the section near the 26 mile post, which has been in use for the last ten years: they found it to be very little worn, and, in the judgment of the Committee, as safe and strong as it ever was.

Nottoway Bridge has been entirely renewed within the last three years, and this year, has received entire new track strings and sills. The water here is deep, perhaps twenty feet, and often the current is very strong. The work is at present in good order, but as constant care is necessary to keep it so, the Committee suggest the propriety of taking

into consideration, at no distant day, a more permanent structure, of stone piers, or other more substantial material than the present wood work.

New stone culverts, at posts 22 35 57 72 and 74, have been completed within the past year: that at 57 removes a trestle 20 feet long and 16 feet deep. These improvements are now permanent, and are pointed instances of practical economy.

The bridge over Meherrin River has been efficiently renewed, and a permanent earth embankment, of one thousand feet, takes the place of an equal quantity of trestle work on the low grounds of that stream. The ballast mine at this place has been advantageously used during the year, and has proved an important improvement to the road, wherever it has been applied—it is designed to be spread along the whole line as speedily as possible.

The Committee reached Weldon in good time to inspect the work there, which they report to be in good order. They examined the bridge over the Roanoke River, perhaps the most important part of the duty assigned to them, with as much care as they had the ability to bestow upon the subject, and it appeared to them to be equal to all the demands upon it. The roof, over three sections of the bridge, has been renewed, and the remainder is in active progress. Sleepless attention is required here, and the Committee have good reason to believe, that there is nothing neglected to insure all its objects.

At Weldon a new blacksmith and carpenter shop, in connection with the Raleigh and Gaston Rail Road, has been built, with a view to making small repairs, which, it is believed, will prove economical and useful; also a new watch house, now nearly completed.

It will not be expected, that a work of such extent and magnitude could have been thoroughly examined by even a more competent committee, in so short a space of time as was devoted to this investigation, but they saw enough to satisfy them of the excellent condition of the whole work. They observed no waste in any part of it, nor carelessness but, on the contrary, the strictest attention seems to have been given by all those who have had control and management of the Road and its appurtenances.

Very respectfully,

W. D. SHARP, ROBERT DICKSON, THOS. B. ROWLAND,

Norfolk, February 20th, 1861.

Statement of the Financial Condition of the S. & R. Railroad Company, on the 31st day of January, 1861.

Office Scaboard and Roanoke Railroad Company, Portsmouth, Va., January 31st, 1861.
RICHARD WALKE, Treasurer.

Statement of the Receipts and Disbursements of the Seaboard and Roanoke Railroad Company, from the 1st day of February, 1860, to the 31st day of January, 1861.

\$496,647 55	95		496,647 55		
			9,322 40		Cash on hand Jan. 31, 1861,
			13,469 80		Debts due the Co—sundries on open ac't
				94,000 00 3,500 00	Company's First Mortgage Bonds, do Third do do
			77,000 00	00000	Investment.—Stock of the Balt. Steam
46,687,78		Debts due the Company.—from sundries,		8,000 00 4,000 <b>0</b> 0	stock. Fourth Mortgage Bonds do do
57,363 58		42,144 91 Steamer Philadelphia—for amour ex- pended in 1859,	42,144.91		bills Papable—paid off the sum
. 7.000 000 ±7		Of DOILUS,	34,827 05	4,656 45	count on bonds extended,
	<b>!</b>			43,592 50	Dividends on common stock,
43,592 50	1	Convertible bonds—issued for dividends on cap. Stock,		46,576 10	Interest on bonds and dividends on guaranteed stock,
25,100 00			112,233 39		Cost of Transportation—current expenses as per abstract
280.882 10	25,426 52		22,150 00	12,000 00	acres of gravet fand in it. Carolina, By conversion of bonds into cap. stock.
19,021 59	\$255,455 58	Gash—on hand 31st Jan. 1860 Receipts—road earnings,			Cost of Property—Increased by purchase of wharf in Portsmouth and four

Office Seaboard & Roanoke Rail Road Company, January 31st, 1860.
RICHARD WALKE, Treasurer.

# STATEMENT SHOWING THE CURRENT EXPENSES PATD OUT OF THE INCOME OF THE SEABOARD AND ROANOKE RAIEROAD COMPANY, FROM THE 1st DAY OF FEBRUARY, 1869, TO THE 31st DAY OF JANUARY 1861.

\$ 6,708 89 6,82 29	25,439 05	33,415 49	25,115 55	14,814 57	$\frac{4,931}{1,125}$ 56	\$112,233 39
Officer's Salaries—embracing President, Superintendent and Treasurer,	Repairs of Read—embracing Timber, Iron, Tools, Compensation of Managers, Overseers and Hire and	Support of Hands,  Train Expenses—embracing Compensation and Expenses of Conductors, Engineers and Agents, and Cost	of Wood, Oil, Waste, &c.,Repairs of Engines and Cars—embracing Compensation of the Foreman of the Shops, Workmen and Cost	of Materials used in Repairs, Miscellaneous—embracing amount paid for Stock killed, Merchandize lost, State, City and County Taxes,	Insurance, &c.,—Expenses of Tean,	

Office Seaboard & Ryancke Railroad Company, Portsmouth, Va., January 31st, 1861.

RICHARD WALKE, TREASURER.

A COMPARATIVE STATEMENT	ATEM	ţò	the Road Earn	Earnings of the Seaboard	Seaboard &	Roanoke H	Roanoke Railroad, for the years 1859-60 and 1860-61	the years 1	859—60 an	d 1860—61.
1859-'60.	No. of Passen- gers	engers.	Passengers, Portsmouth & Weldon.	Passengers through.	Passengers Total.	Freight Local.	Preight Portsmouth	Freight Total.	U. S. Mail.	TOTAL.
February   March,   March,   March,   Mar,   June,   June,   June,   June,   June,   March,   March,   March,   March,   March,   March,   March,   Jure,   Jure,   Jure,   Jure,   September,   September,   September,   Movember,   M	1811	\$\\ \frac{\pi}{2}\\ \frac{\pi}	40 de	\$\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\	\$5,675 71 \$6,096 23 \$6,384 90 \$6,384 90 \$6,387 57 \$7,375 94 \$7,375 97 \$7,102 90 \$6,002 97 \$6,002 97 \$6,002 97 \$6,002 97 \$7,067 76 \$7,067 76	\$\\ \\$\\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\	\$6,954 99 10,108 86 8,564 51 8,5637 43 19,108 11,314 85 11,314 85 11,314 85 11,314 85 11,314 85 11,314 85 11,314 85 11,314 85 11,314 85 11,314 85 11,314 85 11,314 85 11,314 85 11,314 85 11,317 69 11,314 87 11,314 83 113,290 57 114,375 29 113,290 57 114,375 29 113,290 57 113,290 57 113,290 57 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,290 87 113,200 87 113,200 87 113,200 87 113,200 87 113,200 87 113,200 87 113,200 87 113,200 87 113,200 87	\$8,038 88 14,100 144 12,111 34 8,644 711 7,321 43 7,60 35 11,493 8,834 10 11,493 8,834 10 11,493 86 11,492 86 11,492 86 11,493 86 12,513 93 13,316 43 13,316 44 14,500 59 15,610 59 16,911 24 16,911 24 17,30 04 18,355 126	#666 67 666 67 67 67 67 67 67 67 67 67 67 67 67 67 6	\$14,381 26 \$25,663 04 18,885 41 15,696 28 14,345 67 16,565 68 19,194 76 27,246 65 27,246 65 27,246 65 19,324 38 16,623 66 17,318 42 17,318 42 18,538 68 18,538 68
	36,375	36,375 \$30,212 17 \$29,084 00 \$35,209 00 \$94,505 17 \$46,350 61 106,599 80 \$152,950 41 \$8,000 00	<u> </u> \$29,084 00	\$35,209 OC	0 \$94,505 17	\$46,350 61	106,599 80	\$152,950 41	\$8,000 00	\$255,455 58

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RICHARD WALKE, Treasurer.

REPORT OF DOWN FIREIGHT FROM 1st FEBRUARY, 1860, TO 31st JANUARY, 1861.

OWEN D. BALL, MASTER OF TRANSPORTATION Total number of Tons,..... 17,814 

REPORT OF UP FREIGHT, FROM 1st FEBRUARY 1860, TO 31st JANUARY,, 1861.

Stations.	No. Tons.	. Bbls.	Bbls.	Bags Guano.	Bbls. Wh'ky.	Sacks Salt.	Bags Coffee.	Hhds. Bacon.	Hhds. Mol'ses
Suffolk, Carrelle, Franklin, Notwowak, Newsons, Boykins, Branchville, Margarettsville, Seaboard, Weldon, Ralbigh and Gaston Way Stations, Raleigh	8288 384421 5641 1757 4754475 1709 2063 4,055 6,085	467 116 431 89 177 165 82 67 140 1,115	239 200 529 529 271 271 1,345 1,430 1,430 1,430	1,012 1,910 1,910 1,842 922 1,842 1442 1,337 14,028 4,604	273 963 963 963 963 164 164 177 177 2,531 3,230 2,619	493 441 950 950 578 836 294 294 1,522 1,522 1,752	285 285 285 285 290 90 90 862 463 268 468 468 468 468 468 468 468 468 468 4	22 488 710 30 400 710 710	20 118 116 118 127 128 188 188 188 188
j	17,382	4,910 Tons. 5633	8,411 Tons. 1,0514	$30,377$ Tons. $2,278\frac{1}{4}$	30,377 11,851 Tons. Tons. 2,278\frac{1}{2},370\frac{1}{4}	7,135 Tons. 8913	2,913 Tons. 233	$1,766$ Tons. $706\frac{1}{2}$	$394$ Tons. $295\frac{1}{2}$
Specified tons, Miscellaneous tons,			•					$8,390\frac{1}{4}$ $8,991\frac{3}{4}$	

REPORT OF THE NUMBER OF PASSENGERS OVER THE SEABOARD & ROANOKE RAILROAD, FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st JANUARY, 1861

Months. 1860.	Ports- mouth.	Suf- folk.	Carrs-	Carrs- Frank- New ville. lin. soms	New-	Boy-kins.	Branch-Mgts- ville.	Mgts- ville.	Sca- board.	Wel-	Total.
February, March, April, May, Juns, July, Argust. September, October, November, December, January, (1861,)	1,309 1,781 1,588 1,679 1,894 1,849 1,851 1,851 1,341 1,408 1,112 1,112	2582 2066 2066 2068 2068 3188 3188 246 490 490	44 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4	161 222 245 200 200 200 200 200 200 200 200 200 20	04448889444 024488944 124486944 12412 12412 12412	84 256 93 93 110 213 172 112 152 93 93 140 117	101 121 122 130 130 131 131 131 131 131 131 131 131	25 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	20 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4	364 572 572 526 <u>1</u> 578 5873 658 6479 851 <u>1</u> 391 <u>1</u>	2,416 2,522 2,522 3,035 3,528 3,461 3,746 2,335 2,335 2,685
	19,842	$3,541\frac{1}{2}$	563	$[2,531\frac{1}{2}]$	$,531\frac{1}{2} 649\frac{1}{2} 1,$	1,541	$239\frac{1}{2}$	<b>481</b> ₽	6493 (	$649_{2\over 2} [6,336_{2\over 2}]$	$36,375\frac{1}{2}$

# OWEN D. BALL,

Master of Transportation.

OF SUPERINTENDENT OF MACHINERY FOR 1860-61. COMPANY RAILROAD ROANOKE SEABOARD AND REPORT

	DES	CRIPT	TION	Mile	Cost Lab	Cost Stoc	Total	Cost	No. 0	No.	Cost an Stor	Cost mile for o	Wood u 1860, tc	Vood used fm 1st Apri 1860, to Feb. 1st. 1861.	st April 1861.	
Name.	Weigh	nt. Cylin-	Dr. Wheels.	es run.	of oor.	of ck.	1.	per ml. un.	f galls, il.	miles to Pt.	d on	per run oil,	No. of Cords.	Miles Cost of run to wood cord. pr mile	Cost of wood pr mile.	Service.
Virginia, Raleigh, Baltimore,		8. 14 ½ X 13 X 13 X	No. Di 4	15,191 14,398 19,410	\$ cts. 100 23 310 82 278 06	\$ cts. 66 38 139 96 431 48	\$ cts. 166 61 450 78 709 54	2,13 1,09 3,13 7,63	91. p. 44. 5 38. 6 47. 4	49,55 46,44 51,07 99,47	69 23 69 23 74 83 38 39	cts. 0'45 0'41 0'38 0'70	C. 8ths. 355 5 150 4 193 6 193 6	32,37 70°95 78°68 33°15		Freight. Pass'r. & Fr't. Passenger. Freight.
Palmetto, Collins, Carolina, Norfolk,	2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2	2222		16,880 18,500 8,115 16,504	1,001 168 168 108 108 83 64 84	287 31 134 95 12 60 13 60	1,288 83 303 28 120 83 78 44	7763 1763 1748 0747	83 58 83 58	35,76 46,95 28,98 42,97	86 40 73	0,51 0,49 0,61 0,48	173 393 5 95 5 196	97,37 39,27 84,86 68,08	27.56 67.35 27.97 37.67	Passenger. Freight. Mixed. Material.
Remus,		9 X 18	इ.स.च्य	6,885	91 86	2 40	94 26	1,37	93 4	38,33	32 75	0,47	44 1	105'04	2,40	Switching.
Total.		<u> </u>		121,306 2,418 791,207	2,418 79		98 3,626 77	3,38	367 5	l i	41,24 591 14	0,561,724	,724 4	57,76	4,33	
	Pass	senger Equipment.	upment.							'			E E	E,M A K	82	
	5 Passeng 1 " 2 " 3 Baggage	e (	Cars. and Baggage Cars. and Mail Cars.	50,240	1,839 07	1,554 23	3,393 30	6,75 37	123	18'63	One 1 Two One 3	new 34 Mail a Smokit	seat Pas nd Smob ig Car re	One new 34 seat Passenger Car, with Two Mail and Smoking Cars rebuilt One Smoking Car rebuilt.	ar, with rebuilt.	One new 34 seat Passenger Car, with baggage room. Two Mail and Smoking Cars rebuilt. One Smoking Car rebuilt.
	Fre	eight Equipment.	pment.										,	-	-	٤
	73 House 3 Cattle 75 Platfor 12 Gravel	73 House Cars. 3 Cattle Cars. 75 Platform Cars. 12 Gravel Cars.		71,066	3.719 27		3.322 82 7,042 09	9,30	•		Thre Five One 1	ee new H Platform new Car, complete.	Three new House Cars and Five Platform Cars rebuilt One new Car, 39 feet long, complete.	Three new House Cars and ten rebuld.  Five Platform Cars rebuilt. One new Car, 39 feet long, for material complete.	en rebul. r materia	Three new House Cars and ten rebuld.  Five Platform Cars rebuilt.  One new Car, 39 feet long, for material train, nearly complete.
Total,				121,306	7,977 13	6,085 05	121,306 7,977 13 6,085 03 14,062 16	_		_		.				

B. PENDLETON, Superintendent of Machinery, S. & R. R.

