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Elements—The Goal Mose—which consists of one lot of land in Dade county, Ga., lying on the Nashville and Chattanooga Bailroad, containing several strata of stone coal, developed and extensively mined, from which, for a long time, the rolling mill was supplied with fuel.

Ninterix—Other Improvements.—This item comprises two gristmills, one saw-mill and dam, three boarding-houses for operative, one dry goods and supply store, having the exclusive moscapely of the anade with the operatives, and paying from twelve in these thousand delinest per annual of net profits; twelve or more next dwelling-houses, for operatives, at an average rent of fits dellars per year; we stone walks of an unfinished mill building adjoining the flour mill, and of the same size; two hundred acres of farming index in cultivation; a vineyard of four acres; stables; substantial log houses for dwellings. Ac. &c.

The source of revenue of the Etowah property, as derived from the foregoing, may be summed up as follows, allowing for delays

The Rolling Mill and Nail Factory-2,500 tons of iron and	
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profit of \$1 per MA.	25,200
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From such estimates, the property has been variously valued at from half a maltion to a million of dollars, by disinterested parties. We next give however, estimates of it, as to its present market-able value in the section where it is located, regardless of any

prospective value. It is also to be noticed that all the goods, wares and merchandise, stone, coal, and freight, on the Western and Atlantic Railroad, are paid for in iron.

The following testimonials are from Mr. W. S. Cothran, President of the Bank of the Empire State, Rome, Georgia; Col. Alfred Shorter, of Rome, Ga; Hon. Lewis Tumlin, of Cass Co. Ga; Mr. Isaac Scott, President of the Macon and Western Railroad, and President of the Bank of Middle Georgia, at Macon, Ga; Hon. John P. King, President of the Georgia Railroad and Banking Company, Augusta, Ga; John W. Lewis, Superintendent of the Western and Atlantic Railroad, Atlanta, Ga, and an old iron manufacturer; His Excellency Joseph E. Brown, Governor of Georgia; and extracts from the report of a very able Committee of the Georgia Legislature, when the interests at Etowah were brought before it at its last session:—

ETOWAH, GEORGIA, June 1, 1860.

MAJ. M. A. COOPEB, President:

Dear Sir.—In conformity with your request, we, as neighbors, and long identified as citizens of this section of the country, have proceeded to examine the condition of the property of the Etowah Manufacturing and Mining Company, all of which seems to be in good order and active operation, excepting the flouring mill, which is in good order, but waiting for the growing crop of wheat to move. We are indeed gratified to see some of your late improvements working so satisfactorily, and must be a source of wonderful profit—that is, your new furnace, the opening of your new ore bed, and your railroad.

At the same time, you ask us to place some estimate of value upon this property. This we are at some loss to do, with accuracy, for there is certainly a prospective value shead that we can't, at this time, place any estimate upon; but, in order to give as correct an idea as we can of the value, we herewith proceed to enumerate what we understand to be the Etowah property, viz.:—

12,000 acres of land; (2,000 of which we understand to be the individual property of M. A. Cooper,) with the Etowah River and Stamp Creek, and running through the lands for a distance of six miles, with the various water falls, we place a value (exclusive of minerals) of Rolling Mill, including Nail Factory, &c., - Buildings, improvements, such as Offices, Operatives' Houses,

Furnace and Foundry (Etowah) Stamp Creek, Saw and Grist Mills, including patterns, and such like,

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Three hundred and forty thousand dollars. This we consider a reaallie estimate of the value of the property at this time, saying nothing out fallow prospects, such as the improving condition of this comparanumbry, and increasing demand for your manufactured articles. That you have arrived at a point now that you may be able to the benefits of your long toil and labor at this enterprise, all of the come within our knowledge, for many years, we remain,

Very respectfally, yours, &c.,

W. S. COTHRAN ALFRED SHORTER. LEWIS THMLIN.

Macon. Grorgia, Jum 27, 1860.

I was at Mowah on the liet day of May last in company with the gentlemen whose names are signed to the foregoing letter and estiexamines the buildings, the machinery (except the new formace,) and the radiroad, and believe the same to be worth and to have cost more than the valuation they have biseed more them. The water-rower, situated as it is, in the healthiest section of the State, and on the line of the Western and Atlantic Radioned, must, I think is a few years, become very valu-Common and wooden muchinery could in my opinion, he used there w greet broth.

ISAAC SCOTT.

I am well acquaished with the gentlemen whose names are signed to the integrating correlatesic, and know them all to be men of high standing and reputed integrating, and most of them I believe to be well qualified. qualified to sudge of the value of that description of property specified by them. I have seen the property myself, but have never made a critical exammaking of it me is present improved, and do not feel prepared to place a value upon it. From the confidence, however, which I have in the judgment and imaginer of the gentlemen who have signed the foregoing certificate. I feel a full assurance that the property is worth the valuation Control to the property of the control of the contr

James C. Lister

JNO. P. KING.

CARTERSVILLE, GA., 21st June, 1860.

Hom. M. A. Cooper:

Dear Sir,—I herewith make a statement of my opinion of the worth of the "Etowah" property.

I may as a beginning state, that I knew it in its "wilderness state, I may as a beginning state, that I knew it in its "wilderness state," and in its various stages of improvement since, up to the present time, and also that I am, and have been for many years, engaged in the iron business in the vicinity, though in no way connected with the "Etowah" property; and first, as to the amount of land, is acres, I only know that it is very large, and from a general knowledge of its metes and bounds, would think that there was from ten to twelve thousand acres. It is situate in Cass county, Georgia, on both sides of the Ktowah Eirer—a beautiful stream from 60 to 150 yards in width, never-failing as to abundance of water, being fed by numerous mountain streams of the best of water. The improvements are first a railway (connection with the water. The improvements are, first, a railway, (connecting with the Western and Atlantic,) three miles, to the large furnace "Etowah," and extensive flouring mill, barrel factory and corn mill; four miles, to Etowah rolling mill, nail factory, puddling establishment, &c.

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The extent of water-power on both the Etowah River and Stamp Creek (a tributary of the Etowah, running into it just above the rolling mill) is

almost illimitable. Certainly, though, the water of both streams in their course through the "Etowah property" can be used five times on both streams, and admirably adapted, not only for the motive power of the present machinery operated, but for the manufacture of cotton.

As to the worth of this property, I cannot put an estimate on it. I may say, though, that there is no property of the kind in the South, that I know of, which will, either in present or prospective value, compare with it. The iron ore, which is both convenient, of excellent quality, and inexhaustible, saying nothing of the manganese, limestone and other minerals, I could neither put a present nor prospective estimate upon.

Altogether, it is just such an estate as I should not want to exchange for any reasonable amount of money. It's the place for the "Lowell" of

All of which is respectfully submitted,

JOHN W. LEWIS.

ROWLAND SPRINGS, NEAR CARTERSVILLE, GA. 7
June 2804, 1860.

The statement of Dr. John W. Lewis, in reference to the Kirva Manufacturing property, on the Etowah River, near Carterwille, as been laid before me, and I have been requested by Maj. Mark A. Course to make a statement in reference to the standing and character of D. Lewis. I take pleasure in stating that I have been intimately soqu

ny. I know no one anywhere whose judg-property. I would trust with more implicit

I think it hard to say what is the true value of the property. It is

certainty worth a very large sum.

I have long known Maj. M. A. Cooper, the properties of the Elowah property. He is a gentleman of very high character, a man of great moral worth, and of the most untiring energy of any person with whom I am acquainted. He has struggled long with difficulties in improving the Blowsh property, such as few men on earth could have combated, and has succeeded in building up a very large and count have communed, and has succeeded in building up a very large and entantly property. I comour with Dr. Lewis in the opinion that it is the most valuable mineral property in the Southern States, with probably the most healthy and advantageous location that can anywhere be found. I have no personnel interest in the Bowesh property, of any character, and Lespecialist, de . VOSEPH E BROWN. I know that Dr. Lewis has not

Generals of Georgia.

EXTRACTS FROM COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

The mineral resources along the valley of Etowah River are very great and exceedingly inscreasing to the State, especially those of from Of this, shows is accomplish to the opinion of competent, discussed graduates, as grass, if not a greater exhibition, than a found in Pennsylvania or Missour, and of superior qualities. Gold is also found an rich abundance, with copper and traces of and allow and plumbage. Martie exists of good quality and presignation.

At Blowsh four miles above, and north of the State Road there are two delast furnaces for pig metal, a rolling mill for merchant from of all sizes and shapes—face, rounds, squares and ovals. It is now operating and producing from 8 to 10 tons per day. This rolling mill has been in operation about ten years, but for lack of impreparation, has not until a year past, made

over 1,000 or 1,500 to be access

This mill need stone coal as a feel, found in the mountains of Inde county Georgia, in great profusion, near the Nashville and Characters hadrond. It requires two car loads per day of this that equal to 16 points #400 bushels. It now costs, delivered at the mill 15 cents per bushel. This is all shipped on the N- and C Railroad, and passes over the State road to Etowah.

"The two blast furnaces are in operation, also, producing from 10 to 14 tons of pig metal per day charcoal iron. This is consumed at the rolling mill.

"The bar iron produced at the rolling mill, is shipped on the State Road and sold in competition with the Pennsylvania and English iron at Montgomery, Columbus, Macon, Augusta and intermediate points, and on the Memphis and Charleston Railroad, the N. and C. Railroad, the East Tennessee and Georgia Railroad to Knoxville, and on the East Tennessee and Virginia Railroad above Knoxville, and at Rome for the North Alabama trade.

"The supply of ore at Etowah is almost inexhaustible. At this place, there is a merchant flour mill for wheat, and two custom mills for corn. These were prompted by the iron business. flouring mill has been in operation ten years, consuming annually from 100 to 150,000 bushels of wheat, and producing from 20 to 38,000 bbls of flour. Both the wheat and flour have been shipped on the State Road.

"The iron at Etowah has been sent to England, and fully tested for all purposes of wrought and cast iron, for blister and cast steel, and samples of each article, with files, &c., made of the steel, exhibited. The report puts it on a footing of the best

English iron for such purposes.

The Etowah River passes through the premises about five miles. with a succession of shoals, affording an aggregate fall of 120 feet in that distance, and presents six different localities, each with a fall of fifteen feet. The river is 600 feet wide, and never rises materially to overflow its banks, and is an unfailing stream."

Under the authority of the Legislature of Georgia, as contained in the charter of the Company, hereto annexed, the Company have issued First Mortgage Bonds to the amount of two hundred and fifty thousand dollars, in bonds of five hundred dollars each, payable ten years from their date, bearing interest at the rate of seven per cent. per annum, payable semi-annually at and have executed a First

Mortgage to

the sum of two hundred and fifty thousand dollars; which mortgage is on record in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Cass county, Georgia.

Act

To Incorporate the Authorities Hill Gold Mining Con-PART: ALSO THE MONTROES MANUFACTURING COMPANY; ALSO THE EXPERIE MANUFACTURING AND MINING CON-PART, AND ROB OTHER PURPOSES.

The is consisted by the Sense and House of Representatives of the of Georgia, in General Assembly med, and it is hereby exacted by the authority of the same. That Mark A. Cooper of Cass county. tagether with such persons as may hereafter associate with him for the purposes becomefied expressed is bereby constituted a tody components, with power of continual succession to him and them, and his and their hear and assigns, with power to sue and be much communit and be communed with, to hold, alien, and convery buy and receive lands and tenementa rights, interests and made and to have and use a common seal, and the same to manuscal moses remore and other organizations under seal or no: under seal and with or without their corporate seal all of which shall said the property and interests of said corporation, and also the private property of any member of said conferation, in proporthem to the amount of stock or interest held or owned by such TOWNS LAND

Sac E Said corporation shall have jower to manufacture any and all manner of labors, made of iron, or seed, or other metal, or waid was many grain or other naw material, and to wend product thereof, and bey and sell such goods, wares, mer-articles, and commodities, as may be necessary for

the on their business.

That said bour corporate shall he known by the mane of the "Enowah Manufacturing and Mining Company," by which name it shall sue and be sued, and a partiern whatever it is by this act authorized to do, and ments in writing and contracts under seal or otherwise. and all deeds to or from said body corporate, shall be signed and consisted through and with such officer or agent as said body THE THE PARTY WAS A PROPERTY AND A SERVICE.

Sec. 11 Said body corporate shall have power to ordain and all and by here race and regulations for the government and medium of its officen and agence as it shall deem appropriate to its business; provided, they be not contrary to the Constitution or laws of this State or of the United States.

SEC. 12. Said Company shall have power to mine for iron ore or other minerals, when deemed proper by them, and at such places as they may select.

Sec. 13. The capital stock of said Company may consist of the property in Cass county now held by said Mark A. Cooper, consisting of ten thousand acres of land, more or less, on which are located the Etowah Flouring Mills, Rolling Mills, and Furnace, and such other property and money as may hereafter be associated and connected therewith by said Company.

SEC. 14. Said stock may be valued by said Company at such sum as they may determine on, and divided into shares of one hundred dollars each.

SEC. 15. Be it further enacted, That no dividend shall be declared or paid by said Company, except from the net profits of its business.

SEC. 16. Said Company shall have power to establish subord nate companies, associate or not with the body corporate established by this act for like purposes, and with like powers, privileges, liabilities, duties, and disabilities; and such subordinate company or companies, when so established, may be separate from, and independent of, the body corporate established by this act, and shall be managed and directed according to the provisions of this act; provided in all cases, that when the said Etowah Manufacturing and Mining Company shall establish a subordinate company as herein provided, it shall be the duty of the original, together with such subordinate company, to unite in a notice to be published weekly for one month, in some newspaper of general circulation in the region where such subordinate company is proposed to be established, declaring the establishment by the original company of such subordinate company, and the particular locality in which it is established, the names of the stock. holders and the amount of stock held by each, declaring the name also of the subordinate company, and whether such subordinate company is independent of, or associated with, the original company; and provided further, that where companies subordinate in their first establishment shall subsequently, by the act of the stockholders, become independent of the original company, the said original company shall be held and bound for the liabilities of said companies so becoming independent, unless the said original company shall cause the publications of notice, as before required in this section, to be made of the separation and indepen dence of the same.

Approved March 5th, 1856.

An Act

To Incorporate the Etowale Railroad Company, in Care, Cheroker, and other counties of the State of Georgia.

SEC 1. For the purpose of opening a communication from the crossing of the State Railroad at Etowah River, or its vicinity, up and along the Blowah Valley, by Etowah Mills and Iron Works, to Canton, or beyond that point, Mark A. Cooper, Moses Stroup, Leor M. Wiley, John L. Lewis, D. H. Bird, Jebez Galt and George S. Hoyle, and such others as may associate with them, and their successors and assigns, are hereby made a body corporate, by the name and style of the "Etowah Railroad Company," and by said name may see and be sued, plead and be impleaded, may contract and be constructed with; by seal or not under seal may buy bold and sell real and personal estate, may make by-laws for its own government, not conflicting with the Constitution of this State or its laws; may organize used for the transaction of its business, as a may deem proper, by creating and appointing its own offices and others, may have a common seal and alter or destroy the same at pleasure; and may do and perform all lawful acts properly modemi to a corporation, and necessary and proper to the laying out, constructing, transporting on, and managing of a railroad and the transaction of the business for which it is incorporated.

But 2. The capital swock of said road shall be two hundred and fiby thousand dollars, divided into shares of one hundred dollars each; but may be increased to one million, when deemed expedient by three fourths of the Directors of said corporation for the time fenge. And said road, its appurentances, An, shall vest in said Company for the term of fully years, which may be renewed by

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Sat a The said corporation is hereby suthorized and empowered to lay out, and construct, and keep and maintain a Railread and transport freefin and passengers on the same, from the fine flower on the bank or along the valley of said river by the flower flower opposite Camera, thence up and along said river to the Lindshopers, in Liempskin county, its terminus—paying to the value power or privileges commented therewith, a just indemnity, as he ascertained, and the right of way secured to said Comlety, as the manner positive out in the fearth section of an act passed December twentieth, eighteen hundred and thirty-three, to incorporate the Central Railroad and Canal Company of Georgia, having regard to the circumstances of the location.

SEC. 4. Wherever the said road shall cross or intersect any public road, the Company shall build a safe and substantial passing or bridge, and keep the same in repair; and any public or private bridges may at any time be built across said Railroad, so as not to

obstruct or incommode the use of said Railroad.

SEC. 5. And be it further enacted, &c., That the private property of each stockholder, equal to the amount of his stock, shall be liable for the debts of the incorporation; and in the event of the neglect or refusal of the incorporation to pay any debt owing by the same, the creditor or creditors thereof may sue the Company in their corporate name, and, upon obtaining execution against the Company, it shall first be levied upon the corporate property of said Company, to wit, the road, or any portion thereof, the cars, &c., which shall be first liable; and upon the return of the proper officer or officers of "no corporate property be found," said execution may then be levied upon an amount of the private property of any stockholder of the Company equal to the amount of his stock, and if that be not sufficient to satisfy the said execution, then it may be levied upon the private property of any other stockholder equal to his amount of stock, and so on, until the execution is fully satisfied; and in all cases, the levying officer shall be the judge of the amount of private property necessary to satisfy the fi. fa

SEC. 6. And be it further enacted, &c., That it shall be the duty of said Company to publish semi-annually in some public gazette of this State, a full statement of the names of the stockholders of said Company, and the amount of stock owned by each; and that any transfer of the stock so owned by each stockholder, transferred twelve months prior to the obtainment of judgment against the Company, shall not discharge his private property, but it shall still be bound under the provisions, and in the manner pointed

out in the foregoing section.

SEC. 7. And be it further enacted, &c., That in case any stock-holder or stockholders shall be compelled, under the foregoing sections, to pay off the execution or executions obtained against the Company, it shall be kept open for his or their benefit, and may be levied by him or them upon the private property of any or all the other stockholders, in proportion to their respective shares of stock.

SEC. 8. The said Company shall be entitled to the free and exclusive use of said railroad; and the rates of passenger fare and freights shall not exceed those now allowed by law to the said "Central Railroad and Canal Company," and the mode pointed

in their said charter for pollecting the same is hereby provided at directed for the Company hereby incorporated.

Sac. P. No rathroad shall be constructed so as to operate between time paints, or parallel thereto, for set miles, on either side, without consens of this Company: Proceed, it may be lawful to cross a going in other directions or join it in branching off, so as to give the annotance or inconvenience.

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San 10 The said Company may open books of subscription for stock, giving thirty days public notice of the time and place, and call in such portion of capital per share as deemed advisable. Where a stockholder shall fall to pay up any installment called for or due on his share or shares, the same shall be forfeited to the

II. The certificate and transfer of stock shall, as to the form and mode, be prescribed by the Company, or those who manage it and its books be keps, and elections held, as they may

direct each share being entitled to one rote.

22. The said Radroad may be divided into three sections whenever a majority of the stockholders may so determine, and maintain a separate corporate existence with powers, privileges and restrictions duties obligations and immunities, herein proraised and conveyed to the corporation herein first named—the first section to be from the State Road to Brownh Works; the section thence to Causton; the third section thence to the same respectively, and record the same in the office of the Secre-With of Sales.

CHARLES J. JENKINS. Speaker of the House of Representatives.

ANDREW J. MILLER

Provident of the Senate.

Aggressi December 22, 1847. GEORGE W. TOWNS. Governor.