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is a precipice 1500 ft. high, overlooking the low country of South Carolina and Georgia for 100 M. At the summit stands a good hotel ($2). Various points of interest are passed on the way. — Other distant points which are visited from Asheville are *Hot Springs* (see below), *Highlands* (see below), *Roan Mt.* (p. 381), *Tryon*, and *Blowing Rock* (p. 386).

From Asheville to Spartanburg, 70 M., railway in 3-3½ hrs. — This line runs towards the S.E. 22 M. *Hendersonville* (2165 ft.; Globe, Southern, $2) is the nearest railway-station to (25 M.) *Caesar's Head* (p. 387). Farther on the train reaches the picturesque "Saluda Gap", where it descends rapidly through a narrow gorge. Fine views (best to the left). Rhododendrons numerous. — 70 M. *Spartanburg*, see p. 375.

From Asheville to Murphy, 124 M., railway in 10-11 hrs. — The line runs towards the S.W. 23 M. *Waynesville* (2755 ft.; White Sulphur Springs Ho., $2-3) lies amid the *Balsam Mts.*, five of which in the immediate vicinity are over 6000 ft. high. — 36 M. *Balsam* (Rail. Restaurant). — 49 M. *Dillsborough* is one of the nearest railway-stations to Highlands (3815 ft.; *Davis Ho.*, $2; *Highland Ho.* $1½), which lies 32 M. to the S. and is the highest village to the E. of the Rocky Mts. It is frequented for its bracing air and charming scenery. — 124 M. *Murphy*.

Beyond Asheville the Morristown Train runs to the N. through the beautiful valley of the *French Broad River*. Picturesque scenery (views to the left). 153 M. *Alexander*.

179 M. **Hot Springs** (1325 ft.; *Mountain Park Hotel*, $2½-5), situated in a beautiful little valley, 1 M. in diameter, surrounded by mountains 3-4000 ft. high, has long been frequented for its hot springs and delightful climate (winter milder than at Asheville). The springs (temp. 84-104°) are efficacious in rheumatism, gout, sciatica, skin and blood affections, and nervous prostration. Pleasant walks may be taken among the hills, but the drives are limited to those up and down the river. *Round Top* (1840 ft.), to the N., across the river, is easily ascended in ½ hr. and commands a good view.

Beyond Hot Springs we cross the French Broad and follow its S. bank. At (184 M.) *Paint Rock* (1275 ft.) the river forces its way through a gap between the *Great Smoky Mts.* (left) and the *Bald Mts.* (right). We enter *Tennessee*.

At (228 M.) **Morristown** (*Virginia Ho.*, $2) we join the line from *Washington* to *Chattanooga* (see R. 9 b).

71. From Richmond to Charleston.

a. Via Weldon.

Richmond, see p. 366. The train crosses the *James* and runs towards the S. 8 M. *Drewry Bluff* (p. 370); 13 M. *Chester*. Near (23 M.) *Petersburg* we see remains of the fortifications of the Civil War (see p. 373). Near (76 M.) *Pleasant Hill* we enter *North Carolina*. At (84 M.) *Weldon* (70 ft.) we intersect the *Seaboard Air Line* from Norfolk (see p. 371). The train now traverses a flat region, clothed with endless pine-forests. 121 M. *Rocky Mount*, the

junction of lines to *Norfolk* (p. 371) and to (75 M.) *Plymouth*, on Albemarle Sound. At (137 M.) *Wilson* the line forks, the new 'Short Cut' running in a straight direction, while the line to (24 M.) *Goldsborough* (comp. p. 375) and (108 M.) *Wilmington* diverges to the left.

Wilmington (*Orton*, $ 2½; *Oceanic*, at Carolina Beach; British vice consul, *Mr. James Sprunt*), the largest city of North Carolina (20,056 inhab.), lies on the *Cape Fear River*, 20 M. from the Atlantic Ocean. It has a large foreign commerce and regular steamship-communication with New York, Philadelphia, and Charleston. It is a prominent market for naval stores. The *Atlantic Coast Line* (p. 388) has its headquarters here. — From Wilmington a railway runs to the N. to (82 M.) *New Bern* (p. 371).

163 M. *Selma*, the junction of a line to *Raleigh* (p. 385); 211 M. *Fayetteville*, the junction of lines to *Greensborough* (p. 375), *Bennettsville*, and *Wilmington* (see above); 243 M. *Pembroke*, the junction of a line to *Charlotte* (p. 375). At (281 M.) *Pee Dee* we are rejoined by the Wilmington loop-line. — 294 M. *Florence* (Central Hotel, $ 2-3), with 3395 inhab., is a cotton-market and railway-centre of some importance. We here turn sharply to the left (S.). — 342 M. *Lane's* is the junction of a line to (37 M.) *Georgetown*, a quaint and old little seaport. 390 M. *Ashley Junction* (comp. pp. 394, 398).

396 M. *Charleston*, see p. 390.

b. Viâ Charlotte and Columbia.

518 M. SOUTHERN RAILWAY to (388 M.) *Columbia* in 11 hrs.; SOUTH CAROLINA AND GEORGIA RAILWAY thence to (130 M.) *Charleston* in 4-4½ hrs. (fares as above).

Richmond, see p. 366. The train crosses the *James*, passes (1 M.) *Manchester* (p. 366), and runs to the S.W. through a tobacco-growing district. At (53 M.) *Burkeville* (520 ft.) we intersect the Norfolk & Western R. R. (R. 68). 73 M. *Keysville* (625 ft.). At (90 M.) *Randolph* we cross the *Roanoke*. From (109 M.) *South Boston* we follow the *Dan River* to (141 M.) *Danville* (p. 375).

From Danville to (282 M.) **Charlotte**, see p. 375. We here diverge to the left from the route to New Orleans (R. 69a). Beyond (299 M.) *Fort Mill* we cross the *Catawba River*. 326 M. *Chester*.

388 M. **Columbia** (300 ft.; *Grand Central*, $ 2-3; *Jerome, Wright*, $ 2-2½; *Columbia*), the capital of South Carolina, lies on the high banks of the *Congaree*, in the district of the *Pine Barrens*. Pop. (1890) 15,353. Its streets are wide and shady, and many of the public buildings are imposing. The most important is the *State House*, in the grounds of which is a fine monument to the 'Palmetto Regiment', which served with distinction in the Mexican War (1846-47). Other large edifices are the *State Penitentiary*, the *Lunatic Asylum*, the *Court House*, and the *City Hall*. The *South Carolina College* is attended by 200 students. The grounds of the *Executive Mansion* and *Arsenal Hill* command fine views of the valley. Pleasant drives