

Following the south-westerly trend of the Blue Ridge Mountains, the railway, after it leaves Alexandria, shows an almost continuous ascent until it reaches the memorable battle-field of Manassas.



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Manassas being upon a table land, a fine view of the surrounding country may be had from the streets of the village; but from the earthworks, pared down by the hand of time,