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ON THIS DAY IN WEST VIRGINIA HISTORY JANUARY 1



On January 1, 1853, the first Baltimore & Ohio train arrived in Wheeling from Baltimore, connecting the Atlantic with the Ohio River.

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<u>Investigate the Document:</u> (Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Main Stem to Cumberland, 1859 June 13, Sc82-231)

- 1. What is this document?
- 2. How many pounds was a passenger able to bring aboard the train at no cost?

Think Critically: Widespread railroad construction in the 1800s transformed the United States by linking sections of the country together. This transformation had both positive and negative effects. Elaborate on these positive and negative effects of railroads in the United States during the 1800s. The Baltimore & Ohio Railroad would play a significant role in the Civil War as a vital supply line for *which* side? In 1863, the Confederates conducted an operation known as the Jones-Imboden Raid on the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad near Grafton. What was the goal of the Jones-Imboden Raid? Did the Confederates believe they could retake West Virginia?



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Tit is included in the Contract between the Company and the Passenger who holds this ticket, that he shall show the same to the Conductor as often as requested, and surrender it on demand; also, that he shall not ride or stand on any Daggage or Freight Car, or on the Platform of any Car, or expose any part of his person outside of the Car; and that he shall be entitled to the transportation of Eighty Pounds of Baggage free, (no article being considered Baggage except Wearing Apparel.) when the same shall be given to the Baggage Master, to be checked or marked in accordance with the rules of the Company; that the Company shall not be liable for the loss or detention of Baggage, unless it has been properly checked or marked, and in no case for an amount exceeding \$100, unless by special agreement.



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