The Buncombe Turnpike through North Carolina’s mountains was built between 1824 and 1828 along the Drovers’ Road, so called, because drovers used the road to lead herds of animals (droves) to market. The Turnpike was an important road until the 1880s, when a railroad was built along the same route. This map shows only the portion of the route.

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