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EASTERN AND NORTHERN DIVISIONS.

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Bridge over Merrimack river in the County of
^{about 2 miles above Waverly}
parts nearly completed - At the place ~~at~~ where
bridge is erected, an island divides the river into
two branches. An arch of 160 ft diameter & 40 ft above
the level of high water, connects this island with the
main on one side; the channel on the other side
is wider, but the center arch is but 140 ft diameter
Greater ingenuity is discovered in the construction of
this bridge, than in any other that have ^{hitherto} been built
& it is one among the vast number of stupendous
& useful works which owe their origin to that confi-
dence between man & man, which has been created ~~and~~ ^{or}
restored by the measures of the general government -