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| Book Name: | [**New Ideas Concerning Arts and Social Studies**](https://www.bookpi.org/bookstore/product/new-ideas-concerning-arts-and-social-studies-vol-1/) |
| Manuscript Number: | **Ms\_BPR\_5889** |
| Title of the Manuscript: | **Nostalgia for Progress: Chronicles of the First Ever Railway Song** |
| Type of the Article | **Book Chapter** |

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| PART 1: Comments | | |
|  | Reviewer’s comment **Artificial Intelligence (AI) generated or assisted review comments are strictly prohibited during peer review.** | Author’s Feedback *(Please correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)* |
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| Optional/General comments | Beautifully written, rich in cultural context, original in scope. Needs minor structural tightening and more consistent academic tone in places. |  |

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