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The women and men of the Western Reserve would have remained isolated from their neighbors without developing the necessary means of overland transportation to stimulate commerce, facilitate travel, and create community. Thus Thomas Kinney considers the role of private conveyances in transporting families and trade goods through a historical reflection on the "History of Carriage and Wagon Manufacturing in Cleveland"; while James A. Toman gauges the import and impact of an evolving system of "Public Transportation in Cleveland: The Golden Era 1859-1963"; and finally Randall S. Over studies the forging of those vital links in a regional pattern of transportation through "The Bridges of the Western Reserve." All of these presentations help to delineate and illumine the variety of transportation lifelines throughout the lands of the Western Reserve and allow us to understand the forces that sustained them.