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- 5 *In Catalonia there are some cities which have, in a literal sense, inborn or capitality obtained from some supra-regional territories. They propiciate communication between these cities being either near or far away, providing economical and cultural interchanges. With this inique regional project a risk is taken as the new formula for the administrative arrangement creates more competitiveness and resources for the Capital deteriorating its area of authority compared with other Capitals.*

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- 12 **THE "PORTRAIT PAINTERS", A PHOTOGRAPHIC CHRONIC OF AN AGE, AND THE TECHNICAL EQUIPMENT USED BY THE FIRST PHOTOGRAPHERS, by Emili Massanas.**
By reading the comments in the "Photographic manual", the first ever Catalan book on this theme, published in 1901, we are informed about all the technical display developing process, materials used, accessories and complements which surrounded this art at the beginning of this century. An exhaustive record of established photographers during the beginning of this century in the Girona regions. It shows both where century in the Girona regions. It shows both where they worked and the length of time they did so.

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- 42 **THE VARIANT OF THE N-II OR THE ENDLESS HISTORY OF SUCH, by Carles Guerrero, Pau Lanao and Carme Vinyoles.**
An exposition of all the process of the N-II project and its pass through Girona, the different proposals given, the agreements, the political contradictions, dated from the bo's till nowadays. Special incidence on the route to be taken by the variant through the Sant Daniel valley, would be a solution but it is surrounded by many unclear and contradictory points which have provoked a unanimous refusal from the population.

ECONOMY

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The authors present an economical study showing viability, liberating the pass of the motorway through Girona, which would mean not having to go through the Sant Daniel valley, therefore preserving the ecological environment.

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Two works which show the relationship between these two specific social ranks —the clergy and the army— with the free masonry in the Girona regions. The first tells us about what happened at the end of the XIV century, and the second belongs chronologically to the third decade of this century.

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An article about the cooperative movement in the Girona region in the last decade. Exposition and study of three examples of different standards of associated works actually existing: one on infant school workers, another on professionals of the social group of psychical deficient and the third on car body workers.