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By WILLIAM H. BERNARD. WILMINGTON, N. C. TUESDAY MORNING, JAN. 28, 1879.

THE NEW RAILROAD SCHEME.

The Raleigh & Augusta Air Line is ambitious. It is owned by a foreign corporation, and has been built, we have no doubt, mainly out of the earnings of the Raleigh & Gaston Railroad...

Now it appears that this Raleigh & Augusta Air-Line, thus built, and owned and managed by foreigners, is about to take a sort of snap-judgment upon the people of this section...

You may talk about a North Carolina policy, but no one has yet seen it. The only policy appears to be to do every thing for the people of other States and very little for our own.

It will not be wiser legislation if the nice little game of the Raleigh & Augusta managers is allowed to be successful. We do not hesitate to say that the granting of that charter would tell immensely against the Democratic party in this section of North Carolina in 1880...

It will not do to legislate deliberately against our own people for the benefit of the people of other States. It will not do to make North Carolina merely tributary to the wealth of other States...

The Republican members from New Hanover are opposing the bill vigorously, as we learn. "A Raleigh (N. C.) correspondent expresses the opinion that the election of Vance to the Senate will give the State to the Republicans in 1880."

How Governor Vance's election to the United States Senate will make the State go Radical in 1880 is a little puzzling. We cannot see how that can be unless the special friends of Vance and Merrimon love personal favorites better than they do their State and country...

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out over the whole land, from Currituck to Cherokee—there must be retrenchment and reform in the public expenditure. These can be no worse enemy of the Democratic party than him who opposes a reduction of salaries...

If the Legislators were to adjourn without doing something important in the way of retrenchment and reform, what would be said and done? We answer, that the people would say that the Democrats were not so very much better than the Radicals when they got into office...

We again repeat what we have before said: the standard by which to measure retrenchment in the public expenditures is not the Radical excess of 1868-69, when bribery and thieving were the order of the day...

Archbishop Lynch, of the Dominion, in a recent address at Toronto, took the position that no Roman Catholic could vote for a divorce. He quoted the Bible and other authorities to sustain his position.

Those who recognize the Bible as the sole authority can have no difficulty in protecting the sanctity of marriage, as that supreme authority declares that divorce can only be granted for one offence.

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Are dogs property? Answer, yes; bought and sold like other property. The saw a man sell five eleven-year-old dogs for a good price...

Hon. A. S. Merrimon, who has been in the United States Senate for the past six years, has been a faithful and honest representative. The State of North Carolina has had her interest diligently watched over by him...

A close scrutiny should be made into every subject of public expense, and everything of doubtful value to the State lopped off entirely, or the cost reduced to the scale of absolute utility.

—Poor old Barndis hasn't yet discovered that his army bill is as badly beaten as his army at Fredericksburg. —Matt Carpenter and John A. Logan will be glad to see each other in the Senate...

—Col. G. Hamilton Dodge is still engaged in coaching Blaine for the Presidency. In our opinion Blaine would do well to engage the services of Colonel Delany Kane, the accomplished English writer and tally-hoer.

—Of all the New England statesmen Mr. Edmunds seems to be the most available Republican candidate for President just now. The way in which he pursues Blaine whenever an opportunity is afforded, is prima facie evidence that the little he is buzzing in his bonnet...

—Ex-Governor Chamberlain, of South Carolina, has been down with diphtheria. His little son Hugh died of the disease Tuesday. Every other member of his family was ill.

—Mr. George W. Childs is said to have a particular fondness for clocks. He has more than forty of the rarest kind, and he has one in his business office said to have cost \$2,000.

—A young woman died suddenly at a revival meeting in a church at Parkville, Sullivan county, N. Y., Thursday evening. Great excitement prevails in the village over the event.

—General Sherman will start South on his tour of inspection to-day. General Van Vliet will join General Sherman at Atlanta, although he will not be with him in an official capacity.

—Miss Emma Abbott sang in "Mignon" in New Orleans on Monday evening before an audience of nearly 3,000 people.

—The Columbus (Georgia) Enterprise has a war blanket at Ben Hill and informs him that "his entire course has damaged the State."

—In the recent conflagration at Mandeville, S. C., perished the battle-flag of Col. Keitt's regiment, Twentieth South Carolina Volunteers. It was the "Southern Cross," and showed the effects of honorable service, being rent by shot and shell, and its stars crossed dim with the smoke of battle.

—An Old story in a New shape. Thirteen years have passed away since the execution of Mrs. Mary E. Surratt, one of the conspirators in the assassination of President Abraham Lincoln.

—Berlin, Jan. 23.—Ominous reports are current here to-day to the effect that a superior officer of the German army has betrayed to a foreign power the most momentous military secrets, including the all-important plan of mobilizing the army.

—Senator Christianity will probably reply to a resolution to-day, proposing a Minister to Peru. He was offered the choice of the Beria or Peru mission, and he took the latter on account of his health.

—The two sons of the Prince of Wales—Prince George and Prince Victor—have made a highly creditable examination, and returned at Christmas to their mother's side with prizes. The Prince is immensely popular with the people of Dartmouth, where the Bullfinch lies. The two boys, on joining, were at once christened "Herring" and "Spruce," and by these sobriquets are known to the public.

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—In England, recently, a painting, described as by Godfrey Kneller, representing a court beauty, recently went for \$5. Another rare work, a Roman landscape, by Barber, of Bath, was sold for \$30.

—General Gordon and Beauregard were present at the Old Guard Ball at the New York Academy of Music on Thursday evening last.

—R. N. Glover shot and instantly killed Lawson Woolridge, at Sunflower Landing, Miss., on Sunday last, on account of a personal difficulty. The murderer coolly walked off, but a party has started in pursuit.

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