THE SENTINEL.

JOSIAH TURNER, Jr., Editor.

RALEIGH, N. C.:

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THE CONSPIRATORS.

It is seldom we allow our temper to get the beter of us. A man mad talks with only a little more discretion than a man drunk.

We have foreborne to speak of the conspiracy formed against the SENTINEL more than a year ago, because we were not in a good humor with the Ring conspirators or their aiders and abettors.

We do not intend that the Swepson Democrats shall shelter under Vance. We shall show that the matter of Public Printing was arranged with the conspirators before the Senatorial election came off, and that Vance's defeat had nothing to do with taking the printing from the SENTINEL and giving it to the *News*.

This was a matter as we are informed discussed and determined on in the city by certain Democrats before the Legislature assembled. More anon.

RAILROAD FRAUDS.

We have a communication from Mr. Richard A. Caldwell, of Salisbury, defining his position on the railroad question. In a private note Mr. C. thinks we did him "*injustice*." This may be. We did not speak from personal knowledge of the facts we stated.

Mr. Caldwell is, we think, the only Republican who has ever asked us to correct charges made against him the SENTINEL. We allow him to speak for himself, and the reader is referred to another column for his letter.

Now that the way has been opened by Mr. Caldwell, let all other Republicans come forward and tell us when, where and in what we have misrepresented them. If they do not, we shall come to the conclusion that they are conscious that all we have said of them is true. We certainly believed it when we said it, and we believe it now.

But to Mr. Caldwell's case. We made no charge upon him. We stated the fact that Vance, Merrimon and McDowell were put out of the board and he and others put in.

Since receiving Mr. Caldwell's letter we have been informed that Gov. Caldwell and Calvin Cowles alone voted against the mortgage. Mr. Caldwell does not say he voted against the mortgage, but he leaves us to infer that he did. We have it from a radical that Vance, Merrimon and McDowell were removed that the mortgage might be made. We do not mean to say that the gentlemen elected in their places were elected to make the mortgage or to do anything improper.

GRANT'S INAUGURATION.

As great preparation is being made for the inauguration of Grant, as was made for that of Holden in 1868. The negroes and carpet-baggers could not inaugurate a Governor as had been done from the earliest days of the government, but they must have a platform in the Capitol Square upon which the Governor, the Judges and a few choice negroes should stand. This platform was worth about $80, but $300 was drawn out of the treasury to pay for it. Holden had 4,000 negroes to march at his inauguration and Judge Read to harrangue them. Grant is to have the Cadets of West Point to march at his. It is also proposed to erect a building in Judiciary Square four hundred feet in length and one hundred and twenty feet in width, covering six thousand feet of ground and capable of holding six thousand persons, with ample arrangements for cloak rooms, vestibule and all other purposes. This is to be used for the purpose of a ball room. It is calculated that this will cost $15,000 and the question is being discussed whether this will be paid out of the District Treasury or by private subscription. The District ought not to be required to foot this bill. If the Republicans desire to make this the grandest inauguration ever witnessed in America, they should pay for it themselves. And so the white men in North Carolina thought about Holden's inauguration.

"The footsteps decisive,
The victor's overthrown,
The arbiter of other's fate,
Is suppliant of his own."

Such was Byron's speech at the fall and overthrow of Napoleon.

Not to compare ghosts with pigmies, Holden's appealing to the Legislature for pardon will remind many of Byron's reflections above quoted. Who has forgotten the arrogance and airs of this loyal rebel, we will not say devil as he is now a baptist. Who has forgotten how he threatened to suppress the Milton *Chronicle*? How he threatened to confiscate and apply the property of two distinguished gentlemen of this city to charitable purposes, if they did not mind how they behaved? Who has forgotten after himself advertising and asking for the head of Abe Lincoln, how he arrested and had brought before him Dr. Fisher for saying during the war that he would give $500 for the head of Lincoln? Who has forgotten how he wrote to Brownlow when he was Governor of Tennessee, not to allow as a capital felon to him, Colonel Duncan Miller to position law in that State, when he knew it was the only means to give bread to his wife and children? Who has forgotten how he called on the Confederate government to draft and conscript and to force every man between 18 and 60 to some military organization? Who has forgotten how, like Hugh, he had men hung up by the neck in the woods without charge or accusation?

The devil himself might with the same claims and grace present himself for pardon before the Legislature. And we may add the Legislature have the same authority to dispense grace and give pardon to the devil as they have to Holden.

THE DEVIL'S MASTER TRICK.

We carried Brother Temple's paper, the *Primitive Baptist*, home with us for Sunday reading. Among other things we read a letter from Rev. John G. Cowan, of Geneva, Alabama. In this letter the Reverend laborer in the vineyard promises in his next letter to give his views on the "Master Trick of the Devil." If his mind don't alter. We hope Brother Temple will not allow him, after the promise, to change his mind.

If Elder Ward shall condescend to preach again to the Legislature before they adjourn, we suggest to him as a text, "The Devil's Master Trick.

HEAVY FREIGHTS AND RATES.

We copy the following from the Selma *Times*:

We understand that a planter, whose plantation is about thirty-five miles below Selma, on the river, was charged thirty-eight cents freight on one common blue bucket, that cost twenty five cents, from Selma to his landing, by one of the regular boats. The gentleman says that he also paid one dollar and twenty-five cents freight on plows. He says he can't do any more trading in Selma till he has some guarantees of protection against such extortionate charges.

We were on the train going to Charlotte a little before Christmas. A gentleman who had no trunk put on a box with a turkey, candy, fire crackers and the like. He was charged one dollar for the box, a distance of forty miles. He refused to pay and left his box, the children doing without turkey and fire crackers until the next day. On the train were perhaps fifty members of the Legislature who were deadheads. What is to become of the State a hundred years hence when all the railroads are owned by Tom Scotts and Henry Clewes living in Wall street.

In another column will be found an editorial taken from the Wilmington *Journal*, vindicatory of Judge Merrimon, against the suggestion that he had failed to properly contest the election for Governor. The article is a complete vindication and we may add that at a final meeting of the Executive Committee on the subject, a resolution was unanimously passed, declaring it inexpedient to contest the election.

For the Sentinel.

To the Editor of the Raleigh Sentinel:

SIR:—In your paper of January 16th, 1873, headed, "The Western N. C. Railroad Company and its fate," one or two allusions are made that requires from my hands a brief reply. The Editor gives his account of the mortgage of the Western N. C. Railroad Company and the sale of it, and condemns the action of all that were in any way connected with it. I agree with him in denouncing the attempt to get the control of this work, and plunder and rob the State and stockholders of the same. I believe that there is a combination, and if not arrested will place this work in the hands of certain speculators and accomplish what he denounces and condemns.

I feel called on to publish this statement in reply to what he says about the stockholders meeting at Newton in the summer of 1869. When Robert F. Simonton, Samuel McTate and myself were elected Directors instead of Judge Merrimon, Gov. Vance and Dr. John McDowell. The inference is that this change brought all this trouble upon the Road, its mortgage, sale, &c., and that Messrs. Simonton, Tate and myself ought to be held responsible for it. Messrs. Simonton and and Tate, the gentlemen above alluded to can answer for themselves. As my name is thus brought forward, I can say that my election was not a triumph of either party, for I was voted for by gentlemen of both parties. And no Railroad Ring, outside influence or Stock Jobbing in the State or out of it. I was elected with no understanding or pledges with any one. Whilst I held the office of Director I knew no party, but was governed in my official conduct by what I considered necessary for the best interest of the Company. I have had nothing to do with the Road as Director since the Fall of 1870. Col. Tate and his Board of Directors took possession of the Road under the act of the Legislature and have controlled it ever since. When the mortgage was first brought forward I was opposed to it, and have never changed my opinion since. I have uniformly acted with those who endeavored to defeat it. I was at Greensboro with Mr. Spence to defeat it, to resist the sale, the only two Stockholders who attended for this purpose. The Attorney General, Hon. W. M. Shipp was there representing the State and none is more unalterably opposed to the mortgage and sale of the Road than myself.

I need not say that I have never belonged to any Ring—Railroad or otherwise, and am in no combination to make money by speculating in stocks of any kind, never received a cent from the Road except my fare as Director, and if the Road is sold will be a loser not gainer by it. As to any outside influence or receiving money from parties interested, I need only say that all such accusations are too silly to require refutation.

Very respectfully,
RICHARD A. CALDWELL.

ELK KILLED.—Mr. William R. Williams killed a genuine elk down the Roanoke river near Shell Landing some time last week. It weighed three hundred pounds—was four feet nine inches high at the hips. The horns, of this stray beast, instead of projecting out like the common deer, inclined back towards the neck, and the prongs were flat being several inches wide and one inch thick. One of the fore feet was cloven and the leg, probably having been injured, was as large as a man's. After being shot down he fought with desperation to the last. The meat tasted more like beef than venison. He was doubtless the last representative of his race in this section.—*Roanoke News.*

BIELA'S COMET DUE TY.—It is asserted by learned astronomers in Germany, and by Father Secchi himself, that there was a collision between the earth and a comet—supposed to be Biela's—on the 17th of November. The shower of meteors observed on the night of that day at Rome, Breslau and Goettingen is believed to have been the falling within our atmosphere of cometary fragments, and the extraordinary effect, storms and tempests which visited Southern and Central Europe are attributed to the atmospheric effects produced by the comet.

THE PHENOMENA OF THE BRAIN.—One of the most inconceivable things in the nature of the brain is that, although the organ of sensation, it should itself be insensible. To cut the brain gives no pain; yet in the brain resides the power of feeling pain in part of the body. If the nerve which leads to it from the injured part be divided, we become instantly unconscious of suffering. It is only by communication with the brain that any kind of sensation is produced; yet the organ is itself insensible. But there is a circumstance more wonderful still. A certain portion of the brain itself may be removed without destroying life. The animal lives and performs all those functions which are necessary to simple vitality, but it has no longer a mind. It cannot think or feel. It requires that the food should be pushed into its stomach; once there it is digested, and the animal will even thrive and grow fat. We infer, therefore, that a part of the brain is simply intended for the exercise of the intellectual faculties, whether of the lower degree, called instinct, or of that exalted kind bestowed on man, called reason.

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