

The Dispatch

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THE RAILROAD AGAIN.

We hear that some of Henderson's most influential business men have gone to Baltimore to see President Robinson in relation to the selection of a terminus for the Durham and Northern Railway. If these gentlemen have really gone to see Mr. Robinson, Henderson has gotten the start of us again. Still we hope it is not too late for us. There is hope that the railway authorities will see their error before they begin to dig dirt. The Richmond and Danville people are evidently sitting back and laughing at the stupidity of some people; for they know very well, that when the road shall have been built from Durham to Henderson they will still get a large share of that business and take it from Durham to Richmond via Henderson, Oxford and Clarksville.

The main object the Richmond and Danville people have in building the line, they are so rapidly pressing to completion, is to enter the Seaboard System and strike one of the most important stations—Henderson in that system. To meet this the Seaboard men should build, as quickly as possible, the line from Durham to Franklinton. By doing this the Seaboard System would strike one of the most important points—Durham—upon the Richmond and Danville System. This, however, is just what the Richmond and Danville is working her forces to prevent, and it really looks as if she will carry her point.

We hear that subscription books are now open in Danville, Va., and a large amount has been subscribed to build a road from thence to Franklinton and on into Eastern Carolina. If the report is true, we shall come out all right in the end. Look at your map, and you will see that Franklinton is about on an air line with Danville and Williamston, N. C. A glance at the map will further show that there is a large section of country between Danville and Franklinton, and not a railroad near it.

Franklinton is interested especially to have some line of road come here, which will compete for business with the Seaboard System, and thus reduce freights. We call the attention of our people to the importance of agitating for a road that will connect us with the coast and the great Northwest, at one and the same time. Since Henderson and the Seaboard authorities seem not to be willing to let us have a connection with Durham, let us take care of our own interest, by turning our attention in another quarter. We shall refer to this subject again.

SICKENING.

Society, at Newport, has lately been getting excited. The lion of the hour is his grace (seapegrace) the Duke of Marlboro. The most fashionable people—the very cream of upperten-dom—have vied with each other, in the extravagant attentions which they have showered upon the Duke. Fathers and mothers, with marriageable daughters, have been delighted to secure any opportunity to throw the members of their families into the company of the nobleman from over the water. Husbands and sweethearts have been nearly dead with jealousy, because their wives and lady-loves have shown such marked predilections for the society of the titled stranger. Some of the most refined and wealthy people of New York city, so it is said, have given dinners, and balls, and receptions, at their seaside homes, in honor of the "Noble Duke."

What is there about the Duke of Marlboro to call forth this ardent worship? Well, he is a descendant of a great English General, who was never accused of having too much conscience, and whose fame has been dimmed by some reputed transactions, neither honest nor patriotic. He inherits a great name, and is the master, as we are told, of several desirable accomplishments. But common report says, he is destitute of moral—is a debauchee and a libertine. It is understood, that this

Duke makes no concealment of his illicit loves, but is proud of them.

Now, if this Englishman were stripped of his titles, and robbed of his money, and ousted from his estates, the society that has been recently dining and lionising him, would not consider him fit associate with their grooms and kitchen maids. But possessing titles and money, and owning large estates, he is considered fitting company for the wives and daughters of those men who are said to stand at the head of the best society. All this shows most clearly to be true, what thousands of thoughtful persons have long suspected, viz: That the best society, as the phrase goes, is rotten to the core. This insane worship of this dissolute Duke, by the rank and file of New York fashionable, cultivated, and wealthy, society shows, that, if one desires to find genuine respect for personal purity and moral worth anywhere in this country, he must look for it among the comparatively poor and unpretentious masses of our population. The best society of the United States wineing and dining, and worshipping, a dissolute Duke of Marlborough! Ugh! It makes one sick!

ENGLISH JUSTICE.

The present long ministry in England appears to be bent upon goading the people of Ireland into the commission of crimes in order that they may be able to plead the lawlessness of the Irish, as a pretext for using the sternest measures of repression. The police at Mitchells-town, in a recent attempt to suppress a public meeting, fired upon an unarmed and defenseless crowd in a most murderous fashion, killing two men, and wounding several others. Mr. William O'Brien, the plucky editor, who crossed the Atlantic to confront Lord Laudsdowne with his cruel treatment of the tenants upon his Irish estate, is now undergoing trial, as a common criminal, for advising certain tenants to resist evictions, until a law for their relief, then before Parliament, should pass its last stage, and receive the Royal sanction. Other leading members of the National Irish party are expected to be arrested at any moment, and sent to keep company with O'Brien. Landlordism must be reduced to desperate straits, when it finds it necessary to arrest members of Parliament, and charge them with infamous crimes, because they dare to address their constituents upon questions of public policy, in which, not only the Irish, but liberty-loving people, all over the world, have a vital interest.

This seems to be a proper time to ask the stupid Anglomaniacs in this country, who so constantly prate about the superiority of the British Constitution, to point out some of the particular excellencies of that much bepraised instrument. The genuflexions of some American stupids before the Duke of Marlborough—the representative of the Landlord interest in England—are specially significant just now.

Our Washington Letter.

That the action of the Government in issuing a call for the purchase of fourteen millions of bonds was wise and timely, is the opinion of able and experienced financiers in all portions of the country, and there is also a general feeling that a financial crisis was narrowly averted—due directly to the constant and enormous absorption of the currency by the immense surplus that continues to accumulate with startling persistency. I know of certain staunch and extensive business firms, in some great commercial centres of the Union, that were absolutely unable to place loans, with the best collateral, at 2% per cent. The ready response to the Treasury's measure of relief has been so satisfactory that it is believed that there will be no further tightness generally seriously felt in the money market until Congress will have the opportunity to provide permanently for the country's financial ills, brought on by the canker-worm of our body politic—the Treasury surplus—our troublesome heritage from the unsound fiscal policy of the Republicans.

The President and Secretary Bayard had a conference, lasting nearly a day, the past week, during which

several Congressmen were denied audience, and it is supposed that some affair of state of grave import—perhaps a solution of the fisheries problem—was under discussion, though nothing has yet transpired to indicate the subject matter of the consultation.

The Commissioner of Internal Revenue is preparing a statement that will show to what extent the Government receipts would be decreased by a total repeal of the Internal Revenue taxes, and the result, so far, is interesting in one aspect, as least, as showing a decided change in their bibulous tendencies and inclinations of the citizens of the United States. It appears that as compared with the previous fiscal year there has been a great falling off in the manufacture of whiskey—the decreased taxation amounting to nearly three millions and three-quarters—the decline having been noticed for a number of years past. But, on the other hand, the manufacture of beer is so rapidly increasing that it may now be termed the national beverage, the increased taxation of the past year showing a gain of about two million and a half dollars over the preceding year. At an early date the Commissioner proposes to have an analytical test made of every brand of American beer, as it is alleged that many brewers use more alcohol in making their beer than the law allows, hence it is thought the analysis will cause a sensation. The Commissioner of Internal Revenue states it as his belief that the steady decrease in the manufacture of distilled spirits is due to the rapid growth of temperance reform in this country.

While all is so quiet in politics—this being an off year—it may startle if it does not awe your readers, that a new Presidential ticket, and a wonderful combination it is, too, linking as it does two of the great names of the nation, has been launched here in the Capital. And well may President Cleveland, as he realizes the strength of this "combine" quake in his boots, as he sees his vision of a second term vanish into thin air, for how does he dare to oppose the Presidential aspirations of those mighty men of renown, those eminent statesmen who will favorably compare with the fathers of the Republic—Lincoln and Douglass. Yes, I repeat it, Robert Lincoln and Frederick Douglass. The glorious deed was done at a banquet given by Douglass, the intellectual giant of the negro race, on the anniversary of emancipation day, and though, by a strange coincidence, Robert, the son of his father, happened to be in this city at the same time, I do not know that he is committed to the movement, yet his presence here on such an occasion may be significant.

The frisky and wayward Riddleberger, feeling that he has been snubbed by his Republican Senatorial associates, threatens to give the majority trouble next winter by voting with the Democrats and tying the Senate whenever it suits the whim of the erratic Virginian, which judging from his past course, will be quite often. Riddleberger will be the pivotal power of the Senate, and he will make the most of his exceptional opportunity to keep the Republicans in a constant state of suspense.

He Has Been Here.

We hope our hard working, honest colored friends may not lose what they have put into the following lottery or whatever you may call it. A good many took stock in it, and we are informed that about one hundred dollars left with Thos. Canady, for that is the lawyer's name.

EXCITEMENT AMONG NEGROES AT FORESTVILLE AND WAKE FOREST.

"An intelligent looking colored man, a lawyer by profession, has been at Forestville and Wake Forest for a few days and has created a wild excitement among the negroes at those places. He says that he is the representative of a party of English capitalists with \$30,000,000, which amount they propose to lend out and invest in land in North Carolina. The purpose is to secure as much land as possible and if all the money is not used in that way it will be loaned out, and anybody can get as much money as he wants if he will invest it in land and simply promise to pay eight cent

interest on the loan. The capitalists will take all risk of not being paid back. As agent of the company he is going ahead, looking for land and receiving applications for loans. He charges \$10 for every accepted application, and so far has taken in a great deal of money. Every colored man and a few whites are anxious to get on the "application list," and are skirmishing around lively for ten dollar bills. Several negroes are already bargaining for land to be paid for with the prospective loan money, and some whites are doing likewise.

The more intelligent white people regard the whole affair as a fabrication on the part of the colored man, and are troubled for want of labor on account of the demoralization among the laborers who are now too busy "building castles in the air" to attend to and listen to proposals for work. There is a sort of jubilee excitement among them, and it is now at a high pitch."

PROPERTY FOR SALE.

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H. C. KEARNEY.

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We desire to say to the public generally, that we will leave for the Northern markets next week, where we will buy a large stock of goods—no time or pains will be spared in the selection of our stock—we intend to show in Franklinton the handsomest and cheapest stock (quality taken into consideration) ever shown in Franklinton county. We appeal to the ladies not to send North for any goods—we are determined to have every thing you want at prices as low as you can buy anywhere.

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ASSIGNMENT.

C. K. Cooke having made an assignment to the undersigned, of his entire stock of Drugs, fixtures, notes accounts &c., this is to give notice that I desire to settle the business as soon as possible. Those wishing to get bargains in everything in stock will do well to call. Druggists WILL DO WELL to examine the stock. All who are in debt to C. K. Cooke will save trouble and expense by settling at once.

J. A. THOMAS, Assignee.

Aug. 15, 1887.—t.