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EDITORIAL NOTES.

THE Pope is again suffering from rheumatism.

REPORTS from Jacksonville are not reassuring.

PROGRESS: 1840—hard cider; 1888—free whiskey.

MIRACULOUS cures are reported at a faith cure revival at Greenville, N. J.

MR. SANDERLIN is again on the stump and Democratic stock is going up rapidly.

A BLOODY battle between the Sioux and the U. S. troops in Dakota is expected.

NEW YORK is to witness a tariff debate between Henry George and Robert J. Ingersoll.

MR. BRECKINRIDGE of Kentucky, has introduced into the House five bills against trusts.

THE White Caps of Indiana have disbanded. Startling developments are expected.

MILLS of Texas, and Blackburn of Kentucky, have opened the campaign in West Virginia. All O. K.

TURKEY is in a bad way financially. Officials have resigned because of the non payment of salaries.

THE Republican National Committee have received a great many letters protesting against Blaine's Trust speech.

THE United States ship Galena left Newport, R. I., last Saturday night to look after American interests at Hayti.

ALL vessels from ports south of Cape Henlopen, bound for New York, must hereafter stop at quarantine for inspection.

MR. MURRY, short-stop for the Ontario base ball club, was hit by a pitched ball at Rochester Sunday afternoon and killed. His neck was broken.

THE Freeman's Journal, 19th, in a leading article declares that Mr. Parnell is able to make the clearest possible case in proving the Times letters to be forgeries.

A COON that was placed on a pole at the National Republican headquarters in New York city has been taken down. Most persons thought it was a skunk.

"THEY say" is poor authority. But "a reliable gentleman" says that Harrison has sent an engineer officer to ascertain the prospects for a thriving business up salt river.

THE tall and beautiful tower of the new church of the covenant, Washington City, fell with a tremendous crash Wednesday and carrying with it all the front portion of the edifice.

LONDON papers do not consider the failure of the Senate to ratify the Fisheries Treaty a matter of any consquence, as they regard it as simply postponement until after the Presidential election. Correct.

TEN million dollars on account of pensions were paid out yesterday by the Treasury Department, but in spite of this the total receipts of the month so far exceed the total disbursemenes by five million dollars.

THE gale and heavy rain which prevailed in the South from Friday morning until Sunday morning, did great damage in New Orleans and throughout the sugar belt, from Baton Rouge to the Gulf, including all the rice section of the State.

MR. BLAINE has kicked the Chicago platform to pieces and Gen. Harrison complains that the *workingmen* did not make it *strong* enough, but they insist that they made it water *tight*, but it would not hold *whiskey*.

A HEAVY rain storm deterred many people from going to the Atlanta Chatauqua last Monday to hear Hon. William McKinley speak on the subject of protection, consequently the crowd was not large. It may be added that Georgia is a bad place for a protection orator any way.

GENERAL BOULANGER is more popular in France than ever. At the election on the 19th inst., he was elected to the Chamber of Deputies to represent the Department of Somnies, of which Amiens is Capital, by 34,723 majority. The announcement of the figures created great excitement in Paris.

OUR fellow citizen Sam. Duffy, Esq., has received a letter from a gentleman in Michigan in which he says: "I am very much surprised at the turn this State has taken politically. From present indications it looks as if will go Democratic. We think in the North that the Democrats will be successful in these elections." Mr. Duffy's correspondent is well informed and has traveled extensively.

A CORRESPONDENT of the New York Times interviewed Senator Vance, and from the interview we copy the following: Now, who in this protection cry is protected? The manufacturer of course. He receives twice the sum the workingmen do for their labor, and as he plodes it securely in his pocket he 'hollows' loudly for the benefit of the workingmen. I have disagreed with President Cleveland on some measures, [illegible] service to form, but I [illegible] his character.

A REPUBLICAN paper says: If Cleveland is defeated the Democratic party is busted. Not at all. The Democratic party is not dependent upon the political fortunes of any man. It never was and never will be. Original Jackson was an iron monger; his metal was made of pure Democracy. If Cleveland is defeated the stronger will be the strongholds of the Democracy to stand by the people and the Constitution. But there is no danger of the defeat of Cleveland.

WE have read with great pleasure, and no little instruction, the pamphlet of William H. Oliver of New Berne on the silver question. It has been some years since we made a special study of the subject, but, from the facts and at last, we arrived at the same conclusions as those of Mr. Oliver, so far as we went, but our investigation did not extend as far as his. We commend Mr. Oliver's brochure to the careful study of all interested in the investigation of the silver question.

COL. HOLT has written a letter to Judge Fowle, dated Hillsboro Springs, Va., Aug. 20, 1888, in which he expresses his regret that severe rheumatism has kept him out of the canvass. Judging from Col. Holt's present condition, and the nature of his disease, we presume that he will not be able to take part in the campaign. This is not for of his, and the Democracy will see to it that his absence from the field will detract nothing from his success the day of the election.

AFTER a decree extending through many weeks, the Fisheries Treaty with Great Britain has been rejected by a strict party vote—Democrats for, Radicals against the treaty. Such action had been determined on before the debate began, but the Democrats, with Senator Morgan of Alabama in the lead, have made a brilliant fight for the treaty upon grounds creditable alike to their patriotism and their common sense. The discussion very clearly showed that the object of the Republicans was to gain votes for Harrison by arousing Irish opposition to the Democracy.

FROM the Wilmington Star: "An ounce of prevention is worth a ton load of cure. It is better to keep yellow fever away by daily fumigations than to keep it from spreading after it gets a firm foot hold. We would be glad to know that the city authorities are doing all they can to prevent" the fever *from coming here*, and to prevent it from living if it should get here. We believe that much could and should be done that has not been done, and we fear will not be done." The Star expresses in regard to Wilmington just what we have advocated in behalf of New Berne. It is the right position. The officers of cities, situated as Wilmington and New Berne are, are criminally guilty if they neglect anything for the better protection and complete security of the people.

MR. SIMMONS ON THE STUMP.

We again congratulate the people of the Second Congressional District on their good fortune in having Hon. E. M. Simmons as their Representative. It is remarkable that one so young in years and Congressional duties is always ready to meet the wants of his people with wisdom, resolution and fidelity.

On last Monday Mr. Simmons introduced a bill in the House to put cotton bagging on the free list so long as the price of the article is subject to the manipulations of the trust companies. A member of the Ways and Means Committee told Mr. Simmons the bill was favorably reported.

Not only is the Second District to be congratulated on account of this action, but the whole cotton producing region is under obligations to this son of Cascina, who stands as the guardian of the people in the Capitol of the Nation.

Mr. Simmons has been designated for the place he now so greatly honors. Two opponents have been announced in this district. It is the unquestionable right of every citizen to vote as he pleases, but we respectfully remind patriots of all parties that Mr. Simmons has done as much for the people of his district irrespective of party, as any man who ever occupied a seat in Congress.

It was through his influence and by his efforts a post-office was established at James City, and this is but an illustration of the work he is doing for the people. Other men may be as patriotic as Mr. Simmons, but when all his qualifications are considered; when it is remembered that he has had experience in public affairs, and is especially fitted for the position he occupies by natural endowments, careful training, and diligent study, there should be no hesitancy in returning him to the Congress of the United States.

OUR EUROPEAN CORRESPONDENCE

REV. I. T. TALBOT, D.D.

No. 5.

PARIS, FRANCE, Aug. 5, '88.

The lines have fallen to us in pleasant places in wonderful London. English people are generally thought of as cold, fault finding and domineering. So so has our experience been. A warm southern invitation awaited our arrival in London from two Scotch ladies, relatives of Sir Walter Scott, to make their house our home. And it was a most delightful entre into cultivated English society. Our hostesses were most intelligent and refined ladies, musicians of a high order; skilled in classic literature; earnest in practical benevolent work and like North Carolina ladies, most solicitous in unostentatious ways of the comfort of their guests. One of them was an artist of fine conception and skillful touch with her brush, and the walls bore rich evidence to her taste and successful execution in the domain of landscape and portraiture. When shall we forget their merry laughter, their circles of friends and their genuine warmth of tragrant hospitality!

Another friend, one of the largest manufacturers in Great Britain, would scarcely permit us to abide with the first friends. He had himself trod the sod of the Old North State, and the latch of his door was up all the time. Well, we sat at his hospitable board for some days. He almost installed my wife as the head of his home (he is now a widower) and with four other Tar Heels there we did have a North Carolina home indeed in London. Don't you know we had a good time? Oh, the sightseeing; the Crystal Palace; Italian Exhibition, Irish Exhibition, Dore Gallery, National Gallery of oil painting and many grand buildings. I wish I had time, space and heart to talk about them.

ITALIAN EXPOSITION.

This occupies the ground of the late American Indian exhibition by "Sitting Bull." It is designed to set forth the state of Italian industry and art. Rich and beautiful sculpture, fine paintings sent by the Italian government, most exquisite native Italian work in mosaic, silver and gold, silk, pottery, bronzes, etc., burden the sightseer and excite most coveteous desires. It is a dangerous place to take one's wife or sweetheart. I got into trouble, and can speak feelingly.

Then Italian Mountain scenery was represented in minature, with a real "switch back" railway in operation; the Borghese Garden was reproduced; glass spinning was exemplified and the banks of spun glass, and neckties and other articles were made before our eyes from that brittle material. Roman buildings were greater in model. Especially was the grand Coliseum rebuilt in actual size, and there before thousands of spectators were reenacted the fearful gladiatorial fights, wrestlings, chariot races, foot races and deadly combats. A victorious Roman army, clad in olden armor, with grand trumpets and shining banner and hordes of captives, marched in supreme triumph around the arena. Old classic days live again.

How much one can learn in a cosmopolitan city.

ENGLISH NOBILITY.

We had some opportunity of seeing the best blood of England. An entertainment was given our Council at the Duke of Argyle's, and another at the Earl of Aberdeen's. Then another nobleman, the Earl of Harrowby, the successor of good Earl of Shaftesbury as President of the British and Foreign Bible Society, received us in the Bible rooms. We found the nobility like our cultured ladies and gentlemen. The Countess Aberdeen was one of the most courteous and polished, affable and beautiful ladies we ever met. But she was simply and yet truly like a Southern woman. One felt at home with her. Did we not do the right thing by giving her enduring fame by having herself and excellent husband in a picture of us all on his beautiful grounds? The Earl was a bright, watchful and unpretentious gentleman, with kind words and warm grasp of hand. From the hill on which his country residence stands, we looked down on the hay fields, with fragrant shocks and swaths of hay, hawthorn hedges and clusters of noble trees. Then off on the other side stretched away miles of brick and morter and a teeming almost countless population. He and his wife are popular and doing good. She used to teach in the Sabbath school of Dr. John Hall's church in Ireland. Alack! Alack!

LONDON GROWS.

Do not think that London is standing still. No. Fifteen years ago the very section where I was staying, was a vast strawberry field. Now it is densely populated, houses, churches, schools, railway stations, stores, cover all the space with teeming forces of humanity. And rapidly the city is adding to its millions of inhabitants.

FRANCE.

But we must advance, too. So we grasped our traveling bags and turned our faces to "La Belle France." Oh, the beauty of England! Her fields of surpassing green; her flowing hills; her hedgerows, flocks, deer, quiet hamlets, solid villages, rich harvests, gentle streams; how one gazes as on a Scene of enchantment, which he expects to pass on away. Well it all did pass as we came upon the white chalk cliffs of the coast around Newhaven. There we embarked on the steamer Paris for our voyage across the English Channel to Dieppe in France everybody knows what a short chopping, abominable sea greets the voyager. It is orthodox to be sick there, if nowhere else. So the passengers obeyed, and Neptunes conquered many, the saloons were terribble places. But my wife and I have given over all such business. We kept the deck, defied the sea-god, and in four or five hours were again on land, and about the train at Dieppe, in route for Paris.

DIEPPE.

This is a dirty seaport, densely populated, and doing a large business in lumber, which comes from the north of Europe. It is a watering place, resorted to by French Aristocracy; is a good harbor; has a large fleet of fishing vessels with, various colored sails; and many whaling ships, and boasts of a fine old church—St. Jaques—dating from the twelfth century. As we pass the quays we see many of the fish-wives in their primitive and peculiar costumes of scant measure. Here we run the gauntlet of the Custom House. Our baggage is not opened, as we do not smoke. Cigars and whiskey are the terror of the custom house folks.

On the West of France Railway we speed on our way. If England was beautiful, France is far more so. The country is rolling; the culture is perfect; the crops are tilled in small sections of land, and be like ribbands of different colors beside each other. Trees are trimmed in a peculia manner. We cross and recross the little river Sene and follow along its valley. It is like a little run, but it is a power here. Soon the valley broadens and great numbers of cotton mills are seen. Tall chimneys shoot up in the air; dark smoke rises. Large villages are continually bursting on our view and busy life illumes the varied scene. This is beautiful France. What shall we not see? Here is the Seine appearing on our right, as large as the Thames at London. The line from Havre has joined that from Dieppe. A fine panorama spreads out to our sight: gardens and private homes, the broad river, the many spires of the large city of Rouen. It has more than 100,000 inhabitants. Here we must rest awhile. L. C. VASS.

Quarantine Matters.

The following is from the Wilmington Star

The four police officers who were sent out of town because they had came in contact with refugees from Jacksonville when quarantined here some two weeks ago, have returned to the city, and yesterday reported at police headquarters for duty. The Jacksonville refugees have also been discharged after two weeks' quarantine. There is no relaxation, however, in the regulations instituted some time ago, and there have been no arrivers from infected Florida points to justify it. Refugees from Florida who have reached Northern cities give a much more discouraging report of the epidemic at Jacksonville than the advices received from the health authorities and the press reports. A refugee who reached Pittsburg, Pa., last Friday, gives a doleful account of the situation. He says that he escaped quarantine by a twenty mile drive out of Jacksonville. All business, he says, is at a standstill, citizens are rarely met on the streets and the yellow flag floats from many dwellings, and the deaths as well as the full extent of the epidemic are suppressed.

We are glad to see that our sister city is maintaining its watchfulness against the introduction of so terrible a scourge as yellow fever. Had Goldsboro promptly instituted a strict quarantine when the exodus begin in Florida there would have been less cause for alarm in New Berne. But instead of that they published to the world that they had a case quarantined a mile from town, refused the courtesy of a reply to our port physician who asked for information in regard to the case; and began a tirade against our people for taking steps to protect themselves; that is, if the various slurs and unkind things published in the Argus are their sentiments. In the columns of that paper constantly appear such as the following:

Just how people who know the situation look upon the action of the city council of New Berne in quarantining against Goldsboro, may be seen from a letter received yesterday from a gentleman in Richmond. It is indeed a sad commentary on the "Elm City." We simply give it as it comes to us, and without any expression of opinion on our part. The writer, after speaking of the great damage New Berne has thus perpetrated upon Goldsboro in the outside commercial world, says: "But it seems to me the people of Goldsboro ought once for all to put a stop to this folly of New Berne by legal means. I do not know anything of the ancient village myself, but it seems to be well enough known here. An old gray haired friend of mine said to me today in his office on Main street: 'Yes, that is an old nick of New Berne'. I have known the town for forty years and between fogyism, fools and chronic candidates, they will quarantine against a sick cat if they can attract attention.' Another thought it an 'old sore head town' which was easily thrown into panicky convulsions by any sort of sensational telegram. Well, as Sir John says, New Berne will never be any younger, and everybody is perfectly within to leave it to its hopeless dry rot provided it don't assume to 'cut the cables' to the detriment of *live* and *useful* places, as in this instance." We copy this paragraph simply that the good people of our sister city may see how sensible people in other towns and States who are entirely disinterested comment on the silly action of the city council in quarantining against the whole world. Alack! Alack!

Sensible people in hell! So thinks the Argus. But Don Piatt would say of this Richmond letter writer and his gray-haired friends, they make themselves living insults to all who have the misfortune of their acquaintance. Their self-asserted excellence and superior wisdom qualify them to attack the sins and follies of the people of New Berne, and if they have any other business it is unknown in New Berne. The Argus calls them "sensible" because, forsooth they assist it in abusing the city council and physicians of this city whose action the people endorse, and which action was brought about by the folly of Goldsboro itself. The Argus might as well understand that the people of New Berne will always take such steps in matters concerning their own safety and welfare as their own good judgment suggest and not upon suggestions of the Argus or its gray haired Richmond letter writers.

We have endeavored to let such notices as the one copied above from the Argus pass unnoticed, but their constant appearance is becoming annoying to those who have respect for that paper. Its darts and slings are always aimed at the board of council *knowing that the members of the board acted upon the advice of the resident physicians* whose reputation, learning, skill, scientific knowledge, and honor and integrity the Argus dare not attack.

The Argus will live to regret some of the unkind things said of our people. We know that a communication has already been written retracting the insulting telegram sent in the name of Mr. Baird and withdrawing the article over the signature of "J. B. B." and it will be sent to the Argus for publication.

New Berne's Quarantine.

We have been repeatedly asked why the JOURNAL did not strike back at the Goldsboro Argus for its repeated flings and insults towards the city council of New Berne on account of the strict quarantine regulations adopted by them to prevent the introduction of yellow fever in our midst.

In reply we simply say that we can not see anything to gain by "striking back." We simply want to keep the facts before the public, knowing that all right thinking people, with the facts before them, will approve the action of the board of council: and the only important fact for them to know is, that the board acted upon the advice of physicians known for their high standing in the profession and as gentlemen of honor and unquestionable in tegrity, and that they gave their advice upon information received from Goldsboro and the fact of the existence of yellow fever to an alarming extent in Florida. The following paragraphs from one of our leading State papers will give some idea as to how people at a distance who take an impartial view of the situation regard the matter:

"The city council of New Berne held a special meeting on Thursday and adopted the very strictnest quarantine regulations. A recurrence of the scourge of 1864 will be avoided if possible. There are many who remember that scourge."

"Although the New Bernians had a sick hotel guest removed beyond the river and quarantined, his vacated bed burnt and his room fumigated thoroughly, yet there is no occasion for alarm. This was only done out of the greatest precaution. No town as low down beside the sea as New Berne can afford to run any risks. Let other towns be as prudent."

From the Wilmington Star of Tuesday we take the following which bears directly on the case:

The Augusta Chronicle says that in 1879 a family came to that town from Fernandina and "were attacked violently with fever six weeks after arrival in the city. Opening the trunks is supposed to have done the work. A central railway employe who had not been to Savannah caught fever from the effects of sleeping in a car and died in 1876." Railroad managers should take due notice and govern themselves accordingly. Dr. H. F. Campbell has correct views of a "strict quarantine." It is the *total exclusion of all cars and baggage*. He says:

"Never let a single car come to a healthy town that is freighted or takes passengers in an infected port—let them be met at least twenty miles from the city by fresh cars for both the passengers and the freight."

Let the authorities of Wilmington take due notice and have "a strict quarantine" in the true, scientific sense.

This is exactly the position taken by our city physicians whom the city council regard as immeasurably superior in scientific knowledge and proficiency in their profession to those who would ridicule them and trifle with a serious matter. So instead of "striking back" at the Argus we will simply restate the facts and endeavor to give them fuller than heretofore in order that people elsewhere in the State, who probably do not understand the facts of the case as known by our city council and physicians, may think the measures hasty and more stringent than were demanded.

Without entering into any discussion as to the germ theory of yellow fever, the requisites necessary for its propagation, its manner of being conveyed from person to person and place to place, we will simply state that New Berne's geographical position and climate make her peculiarly liable, should the germs of yellow fever be introduced, to an epidemic. This terrible scourge that visited our city in 1864 is well to be remembered when the mortality was 1,300, with an average of 20 deaths a day and on the 5th and 6th days of Oct. reaching as high as 60 per day. It is a disease that we may well dread, and one that we have no right to meet with gloved hands. While we felt that we should use every effort to keep it from our midst, we realized at the same time that other interests had to be considered, and, if possible, adopt such measures as would insure safety to our community and at the same time not interfere with through travel or traffic. With this object in view, quarantine measures were instituted. An inspection of the train was insisted upon at Goldsboro, also at New Berne and these measures were satisfactory to our city council, until it was learned that there was an unmistakable case of yellow fever within one mile of Goldsboro and had been in that city. Even then no alarm or uneasiness was felt, being assured that the case was rigidly quarantined, until it was learned on the authority of one of the physicians who had visited the case, that there were five others in the family in constant association with the patient, that neighbors had been allowed to visit him, and that the case had been carelessly managed.

Doctors proverbially disagree. Here it was the opinion of three, a unanimous vote, that the case was yellow fever. Believing that such was the case and that in all human probability other cases would in the course of a few days present themselves and realizing that the average incubative stage of the disease is ten days and during that time can be conveyed from one person to another; that the train hands on the A. & N. C. R. R. were in Goldsboro every day from 11:20 a. m. to 5 p. m. and sleep in New Berne every night, the city council, acting under the advice of physicians determined to adopt rigid quarantine measures against the city of Goldsboro during this incubative stage. It was utterly impossible for them to tell what would be the condition of affairs in a week's time and had such measures not been enforced, and the disease spread, as we had every reason to fear it would, from our intimate relationship with Goldsboro an epidemic would, in all probability, have appeared here simultaneously, with all things favoring it.

Furthermore at the time the rigid quarantine measures were passed there was a general exodus of people from Florida. Four or five hundred people from this community were scattered all over that State. It was impossible for the port physician, he to ever so careful, to prevent people from coming into our city, should they be willing to make false statements, and under such circumstances they are, feeling that every man's door is shut against them.

With these facts before us and to review them briefly.

1. New Berne's geographical and climatic conditions making her peculiarly liable to the disease.

2. The unquestioned diagnosis of the case, as agreed upon by three physicians.

3. The carelessness displayed in management.

4. Our close and intimate connections with Goldsboro.

5. Inefficient quarantine.

It seemed the only proper course was to deal with the case in such a manner as to insure immunity against it and that could only have been done by stopping of all communication with Goldsboro.

Some discretionary powers should have been left with the port physician with regard to through travel and freights. The measures were enforced not with the idea of necessarily keeping them operative for twenty-five days, but simply long enough to give us an opportunity to guard against the incubative stage of the disease, to watch the development of things, and be able for ourselves, to come to some definite conclusions.

Nine days after the landing of the patient in Goldsboro and five after the passage of the resolutions, they were modified, not because they were considered too stringent in the first instance, but because the status of affairs was such, no case having in the meantime appeared there, we felt that we could do so, without jeopardizing the lives of our people.

It is unnecessary to state that the people of New Berne have acted, in this matter, with no idea of doing Goldsboro an injury, but solely for her own protection. She has adopted only such measures as she deemed absolutely necessary, and which have met with the almost unanimous approval of her citizens. It was with feelings of regret that the necessity should have arisen, and as soon as the case would admit, they were modified. We extend our hearty congratulations to the city of Goldsboro on their escape from such an unwelcomed guest.

STATE NEWS CONDENSED.

Goldsboro Mercury: The Catholics of La Grange had the pleasure of a visit from Rev. Father Price of New Berne, last week.

Durham Recorder: From every section comes the good news that those good and true men who contest plated voting the third party ticket are coming back to the Democratic fold. They are pure temperance men.

Goldsboro Argus: The artesian well at the Ice Factory has reached a depth of over 269 feet and still the other side of the stone barrier has not been reached, beyond which the management hope to strike water in inexhaustible abundance.

Clinton Caucasian: Complaints are coming in of rust upon the cotton plants.——Mrs. Ashton Clute has a rooster sitting upon a nest of eggs. He is said to understand the bussness first rate.——Rev. J. L. Stewart is holding an interesting protracted meeting at New Hope church.

Elizabeth City Economist: The committee on wells have recommended to the board of town commissioners that artesian wells be sunk in the town instead of wooden reservoirs as were at first recommended.——The News of Oxford is the name of a paper to be started at Oxford, N. C., in September.——The Elizabeth City Fair will be held here on the 16th, 17th and 18th of October.

Winston Republican: A short time since revenue officer Vanderford seized a quantity of whiskey belonging to a man named Cain near Macksville, Davie county, and placed a guard over the same. Last Friday Deputy Collector Roberts started with wagons to remove the same to the residence of a Mr. Anderson. The wagons preceded the collector and upon arriving at their destination a brother of the man to whom the whiskey belonged declared that it should not be removed to the house of Mr. Anderson and deliberately cut the hoops of the barrels and set fire to the whiskey, burning it and the store-house to the ground.

Wilmington Star: The Wilmington District Conference of the Methodist E. Church South, convenes at Richlands, Onslow county, on Wednesday, Aug. 29th, and continues to Sept. 24.——The good people of Southport are no little disturbed at the appearance of scurrilous placards and caricatures of some of the leading citizens of the place, which are posted during the night on walls and fences about the town. Every effort has been made to catch the perpetrators but without avail. The posters are torn down daily by indignant citizens only to reappear with glaring effrontery the following morning. It is mentioned that two men armed with shot guns were posted one night in the leafy branches of a tree to watch a certain building, the walls of which were placarded every night with these objectionable posters. They kept close watch through the night without seeing any one, and yet when morning dawned much to their amazement, they found fresh placards staring them in the face that had been posted during the night, right under their noses. People begin to think that there is something uncanny in all this, and are awaiting further developments with no little curiosity.

Hines, the A. & N. C. Defaulter.

Col. John W. Hinsdale, attorney for the State, left yesterday afternoon for Chicago, where he goes to take steps to bring Hines, the A. & N. C. defaulter, here.

It seems that Hines intends to make a fight of it, has employed an attorney and will resist the requisition sent for him a few days ago in the hands of Mr. John Upchurch. The history of the affair as related to us yesterday evening by Col. Hinsdale is very interesting. After the departure of Hines Mr. Washington Bryan, president of the A. & N. C. R., made unremitting efforts to ascertain his whereabouts. He was finally spotted at St. Louis Missouri from thence he went to New York. It was soon afterwards learned that he had gone to Chicago and that his wife had followed him there. He was therefore shadowed by the police and as before stated was captured on a telegram from Preston Bryan.

Mr. John Upchurch was sent with a requisition for him and nothing was heard from him till yesterday. Col. Hinsdale received a telegram saying that Hines had sworn out a writ of habeas corpus. Col. Hinsdale immediately wired and asked what was the ground of the writ.

The following was received yesterday afternoon:

CHICAGO, Ill., Aug 29.

J. W. Hinsdale:—Ground is that it is debt and not embezzlement. No identity required. J. B. FORTUNATI.

Col. Hinsdale also received the following from Hines' attorney, to which he sent the reply appended:

CHICAGO, Ill., August 29. Col. J. W. Hinsdale: Can Hines' bail be secured by payment of amount? Telegraph answer. R. M. SHAFFNER.

ANSWER. Hines.

RALEIGH, N. C., Aug. 29.

R. F. Shaffner: No. Hines' offence is felony here, which cannot be compounded.

Col. Hinsdale left yesterday evening for the purpose of organizing with habeas corpus which comes up here Friday.—News and Observer.

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