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Chairman C. S. Brice, of the National Democratic Committee, yesterday treated to a unique session in connection with his canvass for the Ohio Senate. A firm of ticket brokers demanded immediate remuneration from him for about 400 reputed tickets of a road of which Mr. Brice is President. Counsel for the road say Mr. Brice was guilty of no wrong-doing in the railroad matter. Ex-Governor Foster was a director of the road. Republicans at Columbus hint at a probable bolt in the caucus against Brice's nomination. The other candidates are yet as confident as Mr. Brice expresses himself to be.

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COLUMBUS, O., January 3.—Perhaps the most sensational, and certainly the most unique feature in the Senatorial contest today, was an incident entirely outside of the ordinary course of politics. Calvin S. Brice, in his capacity as President of the Lake Erie and Western Railroad, was waited upon by V. C. Ward and J. G. Grossman, prominent ticket brokers. Addressing Mr. Brice, Mr. Ward said: "Are you the President of the Lake Erie and Western Railroad?" "I am," came the reply.

### AS TO PLACE AND TIME.

"Why did you not tell me about this before?" asked Mr. Brice.

"It was not to do that way. You know all about it. You bookwinked us until you allowed the road to be foreclosed, and then told us the dog was dead, the hide worthless, and to sail in as we liked."

"This is not the place to talk about it," said Mr. Brice.

"Well, Mr. Brice, I have documents here which show I have a right on my side, and you must talk here or I will make you."

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All this sounds easy, but Mr. Lampton, at least, thinks that there are some objections to the way in which the deal was conducted. He said: "I have talked personally with several of the Democratic Senators, and they all seem to be in favor of the deal. I would get a fair show at their hands. The only real point in the whole case is the fact that the deal was made in the name of the Democratic Party, and that the deal was made in the name of the Democratic Party, and that the deal was made in the name of the Democratic Party."

### EXONERATED BY COUNSEL.

Mr. W. E. Hackwood, general counsel for the Lake Erie and Western, who is familiar with the entire transaction, repudiates the suggestion that Mr. Brice has been guilty of any wrong doing. He states that Judge Brewster decided that every thing was perfectly legal. "To make it plain," said Mr. Hackwood, "it is just the same as if you would purchase a piece of property at Sheriff's sale, and it did not seem enough to pay all the claims against the original owner."

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COLUMBUS, O., January 3.—The only Allen O. Myers has been the center of attraction today, and wherever that irresponsible politician raised the anti-Brice standard there the conflict has raged most fiercely. Allen reached town several hours before daylight, having delivered a lecture at London, O., last night upon political corruption in general and his present enemies in particular, and has been hustling ever since. His emphasis and oft-repeated declaration that Calvin Brice will never be United States Senator from Ohio has awakened much interest, and there is a general inquiry whether a concealed "bomb" will be sprung at a critical moment.

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### PRESCHER JONES, on being asked to state the motive of the exodus, said: "Like a voice from the Lord has come the appeal from the West for our people to leave North Carolina and seek the pleasant pastures by the river of God, the great Mississippi. By its cooling waters we will have the peace we never had at home. There our children will thrive and grow, and we will become a mighty people. We have been preparing to leave North Carolina all the year, but the events of Christmas week have intensified the wish. Whenever a row occurred it was the colored man who was massacred. We'll be the people of God, the great Mississippi. The great gentlemen then exhibited a colored paper which had been circulated among the negroes in North Carolina. In gorgeous colors were depicted three scenes—the poor negro leaving his home, the well-to-do negro farmer in the West, and the third the returned colored farmer in years to come, when he has retired from business and divided out his acres between his children. As he unfolded the other exodus gathered around him and second his glowing talk by loud "Amens."

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