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Jas. A. Bryan Esq.,

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Dear Sir:-

Replying to yours of the 18th. instant I am not naming
 a price either for lease or sale of the A. & N. C. R. R. As I have
 stated to you before I do not think a sale of the Railroad is
 within my power save by an act of the Legislature, but any propo-
 sition you may have to make will be considered and in confidence.
 Trusting to see you in Newbern this week, I am, with

highest regards,

Very truly yours,

Wm. W. Holden
 Governor.

Reply. 24th. 1886.