

THAT RAILROAD EXTENSION.

There may be some danger lurking in the bill recently passed by the Legislature allowing the Piedmont Railroad Company to extend its branch roads in the State, which those who voted for it never perhaps suspected.

PIATT'S FAREWELL.

Don Piatt, a man of more than ordinary genius, and for some years editor of the Washington Capital, has just retired from that paper.

Furthermore, it may have occurred to them that by carrying out such a scheme, they would at once cut off the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad which had in contemplation this very line.

According to the Washington correspondent of the New York Herald, the national banks which recently withdrew their circulation, pending the progress of the funding bill, are in a very considerable trouble about it, now that the funding bill did not pass.

That was a very handsome and telling little speech which Speaker Randall made on the last night of the Forty-Sixth Congress.

The new president may find some difficulty in reconciling his membership in the Cobden Club, with his more recently expressed views on the tariff question, and Windom, the hard-money Secretary of the Treasury, may be equally puzzled when he attempts to explain the vote given by him on the 6th day of April, 1874, when he was recorded as voting for the bill to provide for the redemption and re-issue of United States notes, and for free banking, and which Conkling declared was "inflation utter and hurtful."

Democratic Senators spiked Mr. David Davis's independent gun by recommending him as chairman of the judiciary committee, and we are reminded of the days when the vote of Edward Ransom became an important factor in a constitutional convention not many years ago.

The snow blockade in the Northwest is about over, the first Chicago train in forty days having at last reached Pierce on the 8th inst. Duluth has not however been heard from.

BEFORE THE PEOPLE.

The people, and not the Legislature, are to be brought face to face with the question of a prohibitory liquor law. This was the wisest disposition the Legislature could have made of the issue as it was presented to them.

THE COTTON EXPOSITION.

How Atlanta Regards the Scheme. ATLANTA, March 7.—The plans for the buildings for the Cotton Exposition have been accepted and the location decided on. The building will represent a model cotton factory, and will be placed in the center of the race-track at Oglethorpe Park.

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WAGES OF THE REPORTER.

Well, another week has gone by in about the usual way. I've been wondering lately why some people don't know any more than they do; why they will persist in talking "shop" to one another every time they meet in society.

COMPLIMENTING A SPEAKER.

The members of the House of Representatives will present Mr. Speaker M. Cooke in a handsome watch, in recognition of his able and judicious presiding officer during the present session.

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LOTTERIES. A.S.L. A SPECIAL OPPORTUNITY TO WIN A FORTUNE—FOURTH GRAND DISTRIBUTION.

Miscellaneous. FOR SALE. 5,000 BUSHELS OF 5,000 Prime White Corn.

Carolina Central Railroad Company. OFFICE GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT, WILMINGTON, N. C., Dec. 12, 1880.

Notice of Dissolution. NOTICE is hereby given that the firm Herndon & Co. is dissolved by mutual consent.

WETMORE & HUSKE. We have formed a partnership under the name of WETMORE & HUSKE.