WHAT IT COSTS.—The Republicans in congress thought to make capital against the Southern members, and the result is Secretary Sherman's call for an increase of the debt by twenty-seven millions. This is the way it costs the country to support the republican concern.—Boston *Post*.

Mr. Norment, of Robeson, has a bill pending in the House to farm out the convicts, as in Gorgia and other States, and to repeal the annual appropriation of $70,000 to the Western North Carolina Railroad. This one bill would alone save the tax-payers of North Carolina $170,000 per annum, $340,000 between now and the meeting of the next Legislature. The course of the Democratic party in the Legislature will be closely watched. —Raleigh *News*.

Hon. W. M. ROBBINS hopes to secure an appropriation for the Yadkin river improvement in the Senate. The delay of the engineers report of the survey defeated any action in the House. Mr. Robbins expects to have the benefit of the report before the Senate Committee. The contemplated improvement the engineer will report feasible. Mr. Robbins does not sleep on the rights of his constituents. —Raleigh *News*.

A distinguished member of the House of Representatives stated on the floor of the House Monday night "that Heaven and earth had been raised here to delay, hinder and postpone retrenchment, but that the people still want it." This is well and truly said, and unless the Legislature can show the people some tangible evidence of its work in their behalf, there will be a howl in the wilderness in the summer campaigns of 1880.—Raleigh *News*.

Col. Brown, the able and useful member from Mechlenburg, has introduced a bill to repeal the requirement that the Directors of the Western N. C. R. R. shall be taken one from each Congressional District. Also to abolish the allowance to them of mileage, as every one knows that railroad directors always ride free. These measures are well timed and are much needed.—Raleigh *News*.

GRANT AND HAYES.—Senator Bayard is of the opinion that Grant, if President, would be capable of carrying out a plot to seize upon the organization of the House by the arrest and partisan trial and conviction of enough of the Democratic members, but that Hayes is made of entirely different material. Behind Hayes stand such men as Logan, Chandler, Kellogg, Edmunds and Sherman, the men who stole the Presidency two years ago, and have had the courage and brazen effrontery to pension every one of their instruments upon the public. Does Mr. Bayard think that these men are not capable of such a plot?—Washington *Post*.

THE MORAL OF A DOG.—The man is a fool who shoots a dog merely because it has bitten somebody. A fine shepherd dog that had fastened its teeth in a Georgia farmer's leg was made the recipient of a charge of buckshot and supposed to have been killed by a neighbor, who imagined he was doing the wounded man a service. The latter died of fright, but the animal recovered, and upon examination proved to be in a perfectly healthy condition. Had the farmer been satisfied that the dog was not rabid, his life might have been saved.—N. Y *Star*.

REPUDIATION IN THE SOUTH.—Some of the Southern States are showing more and more disposition to smother their pride and boasted honer in resorting to almost any pitiful expedient to escape the payment of their just liabilities. Virginia, even, a courteous and generous proposition from her creditors is under consideration by the Legislature and a committee representing the bondholders, is alive with talk that means nothing less than repudiation. A convention of these repudiationists, whom it is the fashion to call readjusters, is about to be held. In Tennessee liberal proposition from creditors, submitted thro'gh Gen. Pryor, have been rejected by one branch of the General Assembly, and in terms that were little short of discourteous. These States are earning bad repute in the eyes of the world, and cannot complain if they are rated according to their own appraisement of their integrity.—Phila. *Times*.

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CHINESE IMMIGRATION QUESTION.

Senator Sargent, in his speech in favor of the bill restricting Chinese immigration, made one statement of importance. He said the Chinese Embassy at Washington had declined to discuss the question of a modification of the treaty. The reasons for declension are not given. If the action of the Embassy indicates a settled purpose on the part of the Chinese Governmen to insist upon the execution of the treaty as it stands, it puts an end to diplomatic discussion. If the Embassy declines because it is not authorized to deal with the matter at Washington, its refusal is not so grave an affair.

This Chinese immigration question bids fair to be a troublesome one. It seems to have been pretty generally determined that the "man and brother principle is to be extended to the 'heathen Chinee,'" and yet while the Burlingame treaty stands, this Government cannot, without violating good faith, pass any law prohibiting Chinese immigration to this country.

This fact, however, would not be permitted to stand in the way of prohibitory legislation demanded by the popular clamor if it was not for the further fact that a violation of the treaty would provoke retaliation on the part of the Chinese Government seriously damaging to American interest in China, where large parties of American capitalists are engaged in lucrative commerce under the protection of Chinese laws guaranteeing to them the right of trade and domicile in that country. The abrogation of the Burlingame treaty would at once break off American trade in China, and transfer to England a large commerce now enjoyed by Americans.—Savannah *News*.

CONGRESSIONAL DEADHEADISM.

Washington Letter in Brooklyn Argus.

"I cannot save any of my salary," said Senator Lamar to your correspondent to-day. "It is impossible. I never paid a cent beyond livery hire and a few little kindred items of election expense in my life, and I have been in politics a long time. I could save a thousand dollars a year if I would do certain things, but I do not think my conscience would be satisfied if I did. Instance I pay about three hundred dollars a year for newspapers. I like to read them. I have passed over railroads. I could travel all over the United States free. But I pay my fare. It costs me $57 apiece for my family every time I come and go between here and home. I have telegraph passes. I never use them. I do not think it would be right. I can send anything I please over the express lines, yet I pay my express bills. I spend my salary and never have any money. Some Senators use all these privileges of deadheading, and they say it is right. I think otherwise. But there is one thing I think should be done, and I shall propose it as soon as I get a chance. Every Senator should have a private secretary. He has more correspondence, committee work, etc., than he can do. And each Senator should be allowed a private secretary. The Senator gets five thousand dollars a year, and he cannot support his family in keeping with his position and employ a private secretary on that sum." The conscience of this Senator should be embalmed.

THE HAUNTED PANTRY.

In the neighborhood of Dublin, on the rocky sea coast of Dalkey, there are several castles supposed to have been erected by the Danes for protection of their traders. They are still in fair preservation, and have dwelling houses of modern construction built against them. One of these old castles stands on the very verge of the sea, over what was once a rocky inlet but is now a harbor, along the opposite side of which is a row of fishermen's cottages. The dwelling house attached to this old castle I with my family occupied in the summer for health's sake and to enjoy boating, of which I was fond. I observed some time after taking up my residence in it, that no matter at what time I retired to bed—and I generally sat up one or two hours after the other members of my family had retired—the servants from the kitchen story selected the same moment for their departure.

This unceasing regularity became at last annoying, and I insisted on knowing the cause. The information given to me was that the old castle and house were haunted, and that for no inducement would the servants remain after I had ascended from the parlor. I had no reasons for thinking there was not some ground for the fears. The pantry particularly, and the rest of the house with it, were walked over by footsteps at night. These were plainly heard, and there was added an additional aggravation; for, not content with this, the 'supernatural' visitor began to do mischief and generally in the gray of the morning, made free with eatables and pots of jam on the shelves, occasionally breaking a glass or plate. To add to my misery, though the pantry was carefully locked every night, the depredations still continued, and at length the terror of each night's visitation became greater and greater, and various stories began to be circulated, one being that the visitant was the spirit of a nun condemned to suffer the pangs of hunger for some transgression. This was supported by the circumstances of the castle and grounds having been some years before occupied as a convent. The only opening in the pantry was through a ventilator in the roof, very high up, and adjoining one of the lofty walls of the old castle. Through this no human being could obtain an entrance; but it was entered by a *monkey*, which came to it in this way:—One of the pilot boats was taking off a pilot to a ship, to relieve the one on duty, when the monkey, sick, I suppose, of the sea, and determined not to lose the opportunity, jumped into the boat, and on nearing the shore jumped out again and sought the nearest shelter, which happened to be the old castle. The ship was from the West Indies laden with sugar. The monkey, though missed from homeward-bound was unnoticed by the pilot crew, and finding his way from the castle to the ventilator of the adjoining dwelling house pantry, sought to allay his hunger there when all was quiet at night. By day the creature lay hidden in the old castle; and it was only after a lapse of many days and nights that poor Jocko was discovered peeping out from his lodging in the old Norman keep.

SENATOR RANSOM ON THE EXTRA SESSION.

Washington Correspondence Philadelphia Record

Speaking on the same subject (the extra session) General Ransom, who is a thorough Southern man, a representative man of his section, and as close to hearts of his people as any member of either House, said to-day, "The South must not only be right, but it must seem right." Then he added, with his characteristic earnestness, "And our people are right. They are patriotic, and that man mistakes them altogether who thinks they are in favor of petty local legislation. Those who love Washington, and who almost worship the memory of Robert E. Lee, have been educated to follow great leaders. They admire broad statesmanship, and will not support or follow any man who stoops to do little things. Of course," he went on, "I am opposed to the test oath law, and supervisors' law, and the other unconstitutional election laws. They are all wrong, and our people have suffered terribly from them, but it is better for us to endure a little longer than it is for us to do a bad thing ourselves, and I know the Southern people feel as I do on this subject." Ben Hill, being a more radical man naturally expressed himself more radically in opposition to an extra session being forced by the Democrats.

We have had occasion to refer once or twice to the population of the United States at this time, and have estimated it at 46,000,000. It has been generally referred to as at either 44,000,000 or 45,000,000. We see from a calculation made by Professor Elliott, of the Census Bureau, that he estimates the population on July 1, 1879, at 49,375,000. He bases his calculation upon the principle "of constant second differences," which give an increase of about 32 per cent. for the decade ending with 1880. In 1880 the population will be more than 50,000,000. Indeed this is a great country.—*Wil. Star*.

"How much do you ask for that goose?" inquired a customer of a market woman. "Seven shillings for the two," replied the woman. "But I want only one," said the customer. "I can't help it," answered the woman; "I ain't a goin' to sell one without the other. To my certain knowledge them 'ere geese have been together for thirteen years, and I ain't a goin' to be so unfeelin' as to separate 'em now."

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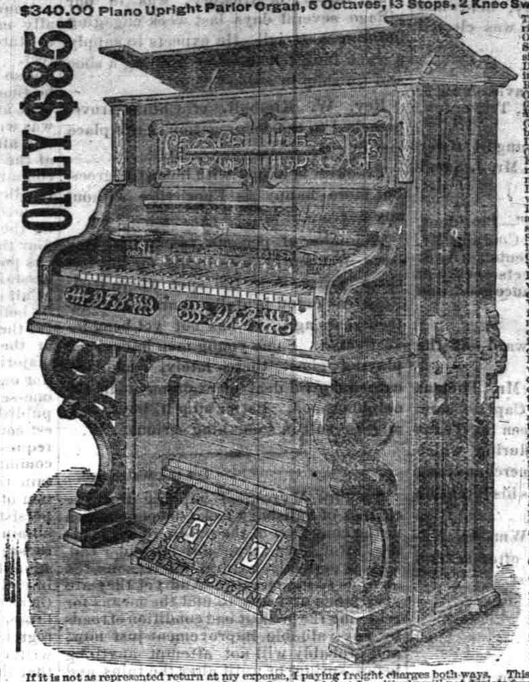

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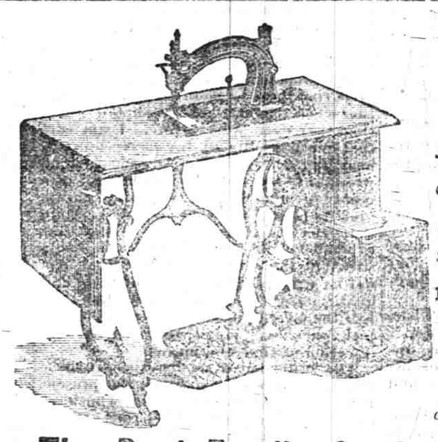

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