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DOWN WITH THE BOYCOTN!
If present prospect of a bright and
prosperous future for the South will
hrosperous future far the south wind
be overcast by dar! ness and gloom.
The bill, as is well known, has al-
ready passed the House and
been sent to the Senate. The "son
of his grand-daddy" who sits in th
of his grand-daddy" who sits in the
chair once filled by Washington and
Jefferson and Jackson if
Jefferson and Jackson, if the bill
ever renches him, will sign it with
fiendish glee. Any little lingering
hope that may have been indulged
in that he would display any states-
in that he would display any states
manship, has long since been dissi-
pated to the four winds; he is as
pated to the four winds; he is as
intense in his partisan prejudices as
any ward politician; and, besides,
any ward politician; and, besides,
he has placed hipself on record as
in favor of this bill.
in favor of this bill.
The only hope, then, to defeat the
bill is to do so in the Senate. And
bill is to do so in the Senate. And
its defeat is a matter of vital import-
ance to the South. Every principl
ance to the South. Every principle
of self-preservation calls on us to
spare no pains or labor to prevent
its becoming a law. Any means to
secure its defeat that are practicable
and legal' ought to be eagerly an
promptly embraced.
But let us be careful that our zeal
daes not so fay outstrip our discre-
measures. A beycott of the North
is threatened as a means of prevent-
ing its passage.
Before we rush in and declare for
the boycott let us take a calm vie
of the situation and see, in the fir
place, if a boycott of the North
practicable; and if we find it to b
practicable, then let us see if it wil
accomplish what it is intended to
accomplish what it is intended $t$
acomplish.
The Rocket does not think it a
all practicable. We are the best cus
tomers the people of the North have
But does not the fact itself that we

But does not the fact itself that we
are their best customers prove that
they aro necessary to ps? Vould
we trade with them unlees they sup.
plied us with what we needed and
phied us with what we needed and
on more advantageous terms than
We could get it elsowhere? It is no
patyotism that causes
patiotism that causes us to trad
with the North; it is purely a inat
ter of business
True it is we might cause a larg
number of the Northern mills to
co would we not be destroring the
demand for our staple?
stop using Northern blankets and
hardware, but couldn't they quil
using Southern tobacco and sugar
Suppose a merchant can make tel
per cent. handling Southern good
and twenty per cent. handling North-
ern geods of the same bind; is $h$
going to let a spirit of spite knock
him out of that
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so, would they respond to the call
when the avowed purpose of the
boycott is to gratily a spirit of re
venge?
But supposing it were practicab
But supposing it were practicabl
and that our people were prepare
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a law. It is a retaliatory measur
The fear the threat of a boycott wi
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what is expected by its advocates
be effectual. On whum will the fea
operate? On the manufacturer
the business mea and the laborer
of the North. Among these there
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we not to try and encourage th
Several of the leading Republica
Senators are outspoken in their op
position to the bill. Oug')t we. no
to endeavor to increase their num-
ber? Is it not the sensible policy
in us to bind by closer ties the
friends we haxe ind wankeras many
more as we can? Will threats
intimidation accomplish this?

|  | PODITICAL DISOUSSIONS. <br> The eanwass oftillman and Earle in Sonth Carolinn is cumulative proof that joint political discussions are a mistake. There have been joint canvalsses conducted with dignity and good feeling on both sides, That of Lincoln and Douglas was a canvass of this kind; so also was |
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| t ofteu. |  |
| ey can't be driven. Honey cate |  |
| flies-vinegar does not. The South |  |
| as lost every time a bluft-ga |  |
| been tried. It is time to abandon |  |
| that style of playing. <br> Let us follow Vance, Mills and |  |
| d best |  |
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