

ployment; but it is only because an adequate supply of white labor is kept away by their presence to the manifest disadvantage of our progress and prosperity. It may suit Colonel Bux as the well-paid counsel of the coolie-importing companies and the prospective incumbent of the office of Vice-Consul of the Chinese Empire, with a salary of \$10,000 a year, to extol his clients' merits; but it ought to be clearly understood what his position is. It should be known that he speaks as a hired advocate, not as a private citizen, and that as far as his representation of public feeling is concerned, he is guilty of a foul slander upon his fellow-citizens.

#### A Modern Munchausen.

The exact degree to which an attorney pleading the cause of his clients is bound to observe the truth is a delicate point of legal ethics, and considerable latitude is commonly allowed to counsel in the heat of argument. But Colonel F. A. Bux, the paid attorney of the Chinese Companies of this city, exceeds the bounds alike of truth and decency in the representations that he has thought fit to make to a reporter of the *Washington Post* in regard to the attitude of the citizens of San Francisco toward Chinese immigrants. His statement that the opposition to the Chinese comes only from the lowest class of the population is unqualifiedly false. That any considerable number of persons in California favor Chinese immigration is equally untrue, and is indeed as gross a perversion of well-known facts as it is possible to conceive. With the exception of a few capitalists who find in servile labor an efficient weapon for breaking down the wages of white men, the whole people of this coast, as Colonel Bux well knows, are opposed to the importation of Chinese and look upon their presence here as an unmitigated evil. They may find em-