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Opinion.

The proposition in the first place offers an
inducement to the Confederate Senate to feed the
the Council, either for the purpose of ~~the~~
support in the Senate or to gain support
to their Measures in the Lower House.

27. The number being increased to 84, the
chances of a dead lock and the ~~and~~
as would exist with the fixed number of 72.

The ~~same~~ vacancies occurring in the
Senate will afford the same relief
with the smaller number as with
in the larger. If ~~the~~ the 12 additional
members are appointed they will doubtless
be from the party represented by the Government
at the time, and on a change of
~~Government~~ ^{Administration} the party coming into power
will find themselves in a minority in
the Senate, with no power to add
members, unless the number is reduced
to 72. If on the contrary, except
Government care, at pleasure, add 12 mem-
bers to the Senate they will destroy the
independence & value of that body.