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Dr．Breckinridge on thb Suffrage Quzbtion．－Rev．Dr．Breckinridge of Kentacky，who has done such valuable eervice to the Union cause during the war，and has sustaiked emancipation as a war measure，objects to negro suf frage，as is natural enough in an old and conservative Kentuckian said in a recent speech
That any atate，left to itself，will ever beetow suffrage on a mass of slaves of a different race，suddenly set tree by a paramount anthority，and neariy equal in number to the rest of
its inhabitants，is an event that will hardly be witnessed in this world． That in any state where slavery never existed，or where it hus long ceased to
exist，a white race，both cultivated and predomitant，will ever give suffrage of fits own accord to a black race，resident with it，equal to itself in number and greatly bencath it in civization is judgment of mankind，and wholly in probable in iteelf．Nor if the relatise position of the parties was exactly re versed would the result be different Because the instincts of mansind are more permanent by far than the cap rices of enthusiasm，and wiser by ia sive theories or of parcy spirit．Se cured in the great gitt of freedom protected in the rights of person and the rights of property，tour millions slaves of a different race will bave re－
ceived－if God continues to smile on our endeavors－an instalment of bless ings indefinitely rich．Let these bless－ ings be enjoyed and improved，not wasted and risked in tho agitation of demands which have no foundation in
reason，in experience，or in public ner cessily，and which are attended with many perils and no bope of true suc cess．

Metallia Ceiling．－While all other departments in the internal decora tions of houses have lept improve－
ments in other branches of industry， it is a somewhat remarkable fuct，and one that bas engaged the attention of architects，that the ceiling of our rooms，with their unseemly blisters and network of eracks，are still，gen－ urally speaking，just what they wer many years ago．Mr．Litlle has in－ vented a systen for the construction of ceilings，which consists in the ap－ plication of the joisting of very thin－ stamped ductile metal in ornamental embossed panels，of such sizes and shapes as may be required．These atamped panels are filted for every kind of decoration in color，and，if in－ serted as plain surfaces，may be used as the ground for every description of cartoon painting，combining with lightness and durability artistic and ornamental effect，at a comparatively small cost．Besides its applicability to the ceilings of rooms，and all pub－ lio buildings，churches，otc．，the system may bo made use of with the same et－ foot in staircases，mills，and portisos， and even on the walls of the rooms．－ Ryland＇s Circular．

A Terrible Succession or Miefor－ tunge．－The Vancouver Register of December 2d，siys：
The house of the late Vietor Smith， at Port Angeles，was totally destroyed by firo one night last woek．The fire eceurred so suddenly that Mrs．Smith had barely time to escupe in her night clothes．Sad misfortunes have betall． en this family within a stort time past．Not two yeare since their old home was swept into the sea by the fieroe wateravalancho that broke from the over－hanging mountaina，and de－ stroyed everything impeding its ren sistless course；only a fow months since Viofor Smith found a watery grave on board of the ill fated Brother Jonathan，and now tie mourning and deabote widow is berett by another dostroying eloment of all her property

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