The Oregon Arqus

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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5, 1857. D. W. Caato is authorized to do any bus

iness connected with The Argus Office during my W. L. ADAMS. absence.

The Squatter Sovereign Fraud. Our readers are aware that we have ou more than one occasion called their attention to the incongruities and frauds of modern democracy, as developed in the inception, development, and history of the Kansas-Nebraska squatter-sovereign swindie. As some new developments have recently been made by the oracles of blackdemocracy, by way of a more full exegesis of the fundamental principles of the party, it becomes our duty as a faithful journal. ist to lay them before our readers. Although the Ephraimites may generally be joined to their idols, we shall not let them alone. The truth must be presented again and again, as there are some men who are yet wrapped up in the delusive meshes of this squatter-sovereign swindle, who, like a number of our readers who have lately had their eyes anointed, and are now rejoicing like poor Bartimeus in a little light, have heads sufficiently clear and hearts sufficiently honest to see the truth when plainly presented, and then act accordingly.

Our readers are probably aware of the fact that at the time Douglas had his Nebraska bill before Cougress, there seemed to be a great difficulty among the members of Congress in understanding what was meant by squatter-sovereignty over the its." Now he alludes to the time whendomestic institutions of the Territories .-Several members from both sections of the Union proposed to vote for the bill provided Douglas would incorporate a section stripping it of its ambiguity, and clearly lodging sovereignty over slavery in the hands of the people of the Territories .-This was refused on the part of Douglas and his adherents, and the bill was passed in such a shape that it could be used as an electioneering machine with the simpleminded in both sections of the Union .-During the last Presidential canvass, the Northern or driven-nigger wing of the democracy were everywhere told by their scribes and stump orators that the Democratic party stood upon the principles of squatter sovereignty as enunciated in the Nebraska bill, and that it consisted in recognizing the right in the people of all the Territories to either exclude or admit slavery, just as they pleased. In the Southern portion of the Union, it was contended that squatter sovereignty was a damnable heresy, as the Constitution of the United States carried slavery into all territory either purchased or acquired by treaty, as Calhoun had once urged against Webster, Clay, Buchanan, and every other states. man of note. This being true, of course the people of the Territories had no right to exclude slaveholders coming with their property, and of course were not squatter sovereigns. In the North the stump orators and scribes of the black democracy shouted "Squatter sovereignty is the issue," and contended, with Clay, Buchanan Webster, Benton, Douglas, Cass, and other statesmen, that slavery was a creature of municipal law, and could no more exist where there were not special legislative en actments sanctioning it than a man could breathe under an exhausted air receiver .-This position was taken by Jo Lane during his convass with Ex-Gov. Gaines, and asserted by him probably more than a hun dred times. This doctrine, that slavery is a creature of positive law, and the people of the Territories had power to make a law recognizing or forbidding slavery, was the pretended issue at the North during the Presidential canvass, and immediately after the election Bigler declared in his place in the U. S. Senate that Buchanan warried Ponnsylvania upon the squatter sovereign issue. Buchanan himself, in accepting the nomination of the Cincinnati convention, mounted astride of squatter sovereignty. We quote from his letter of acceptance : "This legislation is founded npon principles as ancient as free government itself. and, in accordance with them has simply declared that the people of a Territory, like those of a State shall decide for them selves whether slavery shall not exist within their limits. . The principle will surely not be controverted by any individual professing devotion to popular government. Besides, how rain and illusory would any other principle prove in practice in regard to the Territories." This clean breast of the northern horn of the Squatter Sovereign dogma, was made at a time when it was expected to carry two-thirds of the Northern States for the Cincinnati Nominee. The South was to be kept straight by private assurances that Buchanan was really "sound on the goose," and by such private whisperings in the cars of influential politicians there, as Buchanan gave Senator Brown of Mississippi. Brown in a speech at Yazoo, on the 4th of last July, stated that he had heard Buchanan say that "squatter sovereignty was one of the most damnable heresies ever broached in this or any other country, and that he (the President) would leave nothing andene to throttle it.

to play a two-handed game in order to conciliate one section and appease the wrath

of the other. In writing his Inaugural, with his bowels vet yearning over Penneylvania, that good old "squatter-sovereign"-gulled state, that boasted him into the White House by the skin of his teeth, he says, in lauding squatter sovereignty :

"What a happy conception, then, was it for Congress to apply this simple rule, that the will of the majority shall govern." Here, with Pennsylvania loyalty full in his eye, he thinks "squatter sovereign'y" was indeed a "happy conception."

The next sentence contains the gist of this "happy conception" :

"As to the settlement of the question of domestic slavery in the Territories, Congress is neither to legislate slavery into any Territory or State, nor to exclude it therefrom, but to leave the people thereof perfectly free to form and regulate their domestic Institutions in their own way, subject only to the Constitution of the United States.

Very well, that will do for Pennsylvania buncombe. The President just here is reminded of the southern face of squatter sovereignty, and turning his back upon Pennsylvania faces the South with the fellowing :

A difference of opinion has arisen in regard to the time when the people of a Territory shall decide this question for themselves. Ah ! There was a "difference of opinion" between the Northern and Sonthern wings of Democracy as to the time when

they were sovereigns. Buchanas had already admitted in his letter of acceptance that the "people of the Territories" had a perfect right to decide for themselves whether slavery shall not exist within their limthat is, to the Southern construction of the Nebraska bill, that the people of a Territory have no right to exclude slavery while under a Territorial government. Well, let us see what Mr. Buckanan's opinion was, We quote from his Inaugural again .---After telling us that the matter would be referred to the Supreme Court, he says:

good citizens, I shall cheerfully submit, whatever this may be, though it has been my individual opinion that under the Nebraska Kansas Act the appaepriate period will be when the number of actual residents in the Territory shall justify the formation of a constitution, with a view to ts admission as a State into the Union."

Ah! "My individual opinion (is) that under the Nebraska Kansas Act the appropriate period will be when the number of actual residents in the Territory shall justify the formation of a constitution." This sentence, when stripped of all jesuitical mysticism, means the only period will be when the people of a Territory form a constitution, instead of, "appropriate period, when the number of actual residents shall justify the formation of a constitution." With one breath he tells as that "squatter sovereignty as understood by the North, as stated in his letter of acceptance, and as reaffirmed in his Inaugural, that the people of a Territory have a perfect right to decide for themselves whether slavery shall not exist within their limits" is a happy conception," and with the very next breath tells us that there is a " difference of opinion" among the democracy as to whether the Nebraska Bill really contains any such "conception" as squatter sovereignty, and that his own individual opinion was that it doesn't !! In his late letter to Professor Silliman of Yale College, and others, he says : "Slavery existed at that period and still exists in Kansas, under the Conststution of the United States. This point has been at last finally settled by the highest ever have been seriously doubted is a mys-So then the Supreme Court has held : coroner's inquest over the "happy conception' of squatter sovereignty, and pronounce ed it still born, though 'happily conceived, and Buchaoan in permitting the court to tear the darling of his bosom from his embrace, is permitted as a consolation in his dotage, to bug another ' happy conception' to his bosom, viz : that slavery is carried into Kansas, as into all other Territories. by the Constitution of the United States ! And how anybody could ever have doubted it is indeed a mystery. That is, it is a mystery to the old man himself how he tion" of slave severeignty by virtue of the Constitution, while hugging to his bosom the lifeless, still-born carcass of Douglas' "happy conception," that the people of a Territory had the right to admit or reject slavery. The next step in the history of the party Constitution, and that all legislation by address as above. Congress since 1820, when the slave trad was declared piracy, which emples or discourages a free trade in niggers with the king of Dabomey, is unconstitutional. There will be another "happy conception" for the poor creatures who are following the black-democratic party to the ultimatum of its piratical tendencies.

The Way They Do It.

The Portland Times, with much appa rent gusto, parades an article before its renders which it clips from a locefoco pafrom it :

" More of the 'Decency, Merality, and In-telligence' of the Republican Party .--Another of the famous three thousand black-republican Ministers slips out his sheep's clothing .--

In yesterday's paper we gave an account of the fall of the Reverend William B. Sunderland, the fiend who seduced a child not fifteen years old. Below we publish the end of still another of the three thousand freedom shriekers. Is not the conduct of the clergymen who embarked in the political campaign of 1856, enough to make every honest man curse every political preacher ?"

It has been a source of mortification to the few moral men left in the black-democratic party that their editors have in a sneaking way been plunging their murderous steel of slander into the vitals of Christianity, by holding up to ridicule as Repub. lican preachers every wolf in sheep's clothing that is detected in crime. Not long since Czapkay's slimy agent in Salem paraded before the public the most obscene developments in relation to the Rev. Mr. Kalloch as one of the three thousand cler. the passage of the Nebraska bill. Now we have no objection to exposing these lecherous villains who under the garb of could be expected to offer. Rev. invade the citadel of female virtue. We say, in reference to all of them, drag them out, and place

"A whip in every honest hand, To tash these anezking scenadrels thro' the land these fellows as Republicans, when, so far as we are able to learn, nearly or quite every one of them are rabid locefocos, and as severe in their denunciations of " political parsons" as the Rev. F. S. Hoyt, Rev. C. H. Mattoon, or Czapkay's agent himself. cency, or democracy. The way these locofoco items are made up is this: Whenever one of the black-demoeratic parsons commits an immoral act the Republican papers with much mortifi-"To their decision, in connection with all cation chronicle the fact, without any allusion to the politics of the criminal, merely as an item of news, and as a warning to community to be on their guard. The locoloco papers in the immediate locality where the crime is committed, of course never mention it. Some distant black. democratic sheet catches up the item from the Republican papers, and it immediately starts the rounds of the lecofoco organs under such an imposing head as the fol lowing :- " Another political parson turned up !- A Rev. scoundrel stripped of his clerical robe !!- One of the 3000 signers in limbo !!!!"-&c., &c.

For instance, if the Rev. Mattoon, who went into a gambling hell in San Francisco and wagered his money, when on his way back to the States-or the Rev. Hoyt, whom Czapkay's agent puffed as an excellent editor of the Advocate, and "an honest and sincere man" (because he votes for drunken locofocos)-we say if either of these gentlemen should go in the way of Sunderland (which God forbid), of course we, with deep mortification and unspeakable chagrin, should barely note the fact, without even mentioning their politics, while not a locofoco paper in Oregon would ever know that such a thing had transpired. As soon as The Argus reached the States, the news item would be copied (with a little added to it) by some sniveling loco editor, and would travel the rounds under some such imposing heading as this -" Another Rev. Devil dragged out !-- A political parson a candidate for the penitentiary !!- One of the sneaking scountribunal known to our laws. How it could drels who signed the New England petition, scotched I !! -- Another damnable exhibition of Black Republican morality !!!" It was by just such means that the locos canister used by those who man the gun. carried Pennsylvania. It is a fair specimen of the candor and truthfulness of the poor creatures who have to make their bread and bacon by lying for "our party." It is, in fact, one of the "time-honored usages of our party." 07 We have received from Fawler and Wells, publishers, a pocket manual of practical affairs entitled How to do Business. It is as complete a guide to success in life at almost any honest calling as could be gotten up by those men who knew how could ever have doubted the democratic to adapt all their instruction to the peculegitimacy of Calhoun's "happy coucep- liar phrenological developements of all mankind. Price 50 cts, by mail prepaid. Address Fowler and Wells, No. 308 Broad way, N.Y. We have also received The Illustrated Family Gymnasium, complete in two volumes, By Dr. Trall. It contains the most improved methods of applying gymnastic, will be a canonizing by the political su- calisthenic, kinisipathic and vocal exercises preme court, of the doctrine of Jeff. Davis to the developement of the bodily organs, and other fire-eaters, that slavery can go the preservation of health and the cure of into all the free states by virtue of the diseases and deformities. Price \$1.25,

are assured from personal observation and from the testimony of those well acquainted with the ground, that there is no verious obstacle in the way of a read through the per in Illinois. We clip the following timbered country between Tualatin Plains and Astoria. This road would furnish wonderful facilities for getting off the heavy surplus products which in a few years will be waiting shipment from Rogue River, Umpqua and the greater portion of this valley, as well as furnishing an easy, cheap and speedy means of interior trans. portation for all our fereign supplies. We expect to live to see the road completed, and we hope that the small cloud that has shown itself over the Astoria horizon will continue to swell till we hear the thunder

ings of the iron horse himself. OF We hope our friends will read the article on Squatter Sovereignty, though a long one. If it convinces one honest demo. crat of the frauds and contradictions of the

modern democratic creed, we shall be paid for our trouble. We especially invite the attention of the Standard to it, (as its edit. or is the only locofoco one in Oregon who has brains enough to make an argument), and invite it to a defence of its dead bant. ling " squatter severeignty." If the Stand ard thinks, however, that by exhuming it. gymen who signed the remonstrance to it would lay itself liable to be called a "Resurectionist," we will take it for as good an excuse as a modern democrat

27 We notice that the last San Fran cisce Herald, in making up its news items from the Portland papers, relies solely on the Standard, paying no sort of attention But we do protest against representing to the Times, notwithstanding the Times recently gave it a "souirt in the face" for copying from such papers as the Standard. The California papers have got to believe that the Standard is the only loco paper in Oregon that can lay any claim to truth, de-

> er The war that is now going on among the locofoco papers in Oregon, in view of a general smash up under a state government, is truly terific and sulphur-

We are truly rejoiced that we have nothing to do but watch the fight, report progress, and attend to the affairs of the nation.

We would like to call the attention of the Legislature to the necessity of a law requiring the petitioners for establishing new roads or altering old ones, to publish their notices in a newspaper in the county, where there is one, or in the nearest paper published when there is none in the county. Many people are complaining of new roads that do them a great injury, when

they had never seen or heard of notices of petitions for them. This law we think would be a good one, and satisfy the public generally.

15 In Galesburg, Ill., the college difficulty between Prof. Gale and President Blanchard still rages with unabated fury.

O. H. Browning, Prof. G. W. Gale, and

some half score of other belligerents, that

it must have been dreadfully powder-burnt.

if it doesn't need bushing. We have se-

lected a few specimens of the grape and

'Gross injustice,' 'violent and unjust,

'dishonorable measures,' 'false decisions,

'anrighteous proceedings,' 'utter falsehood.

'eminently dishonorable,' 'moral degrada.

tion,' 'low and torpid state of moral sensi-

bility,' 'atrocious acts of dishener and in-

justice," 'disgrace and infamy,' 'rotten and

corrupt,' "inherent baseness and corrup-

tion," total disregard of moral distinctions

'mockery of justice,' 'moral assassination,

'lowest grade of moral degradation,' 'mean

Here they are :

slander.

Nicholas ! blow !

35" At the recent election in Kansas, swarmin with niggers afore this time if the ov. Walker permitted the troops to vote, gainst the organic law as well as the tatute law of the Territory. He also rged Missourians, who were in Kansas on isiness, to vote, and several hundred of em did vote. Since the election, a geneman from Missouri has made oath that Walker invited him to vote, but he refused in the ground that it would be neither leal per honorable. At this Walker requestd him to say nothing about his having avited him to vote. Walker spent the whole day of election in trotting through the mud hunting up voters for the pro-slavery ticket.

07 The Democrats have elected their Governor in Georgia by about 10,000 majority. In Mississippi they have also carried their ticket, while Tennessee has wheeled into line, and, in signing her allegiance to the black party, hands up 11,-000 majority for Harris as her locofoco governer.

07 It will be recollected that some time since we stated that Czapkay's organ had been sold out. The editor afterwards enied it. It now seems that we were correct. Mr. O'Meara bought the office, as we are informed, and, upon leaving Salem, word was sent after him to Portland that Bush wouldn't stand to the contract. Mr. O'Meara is about to commonee suit against him for damages. We also learn that O'Meara has sent to California for another press, and intends to start another sound and reliable" democratic paper in Salem. If any man can print a more re-

lie-able paper than the one already at Salem, he must be " a democrat as is a democrat." 27 The Times of last Saturday de-

nonnees the editor of the Oregonian as a poor silly fool" "ex-hostler of the stable organ,"" slimy monster," " dirty beast," "illiterate and senscless madcap," "the three months schooling hostler," &c., &c. Now it would seem as though a critic ught at least to understand the spelling book, but in hastily glancing over the editorial of the Times of this issue we notice among others, the following samples of Indiana loco foco literature :

"The opinion of Judge Williams is an intelligent enunciation," &c. " May the stunning effect of this blow stupify," &c. Indiana ought to send them Mis-ourians and infuse them with," do. "Stuart will except our thanks," &c.

If McCormick has any old copies of Cobb's spelling book on hand he will please furnish the Times office with one and charge it to us.

07 The Legislature convenes in Sa. m next Monday. We notice Mr. Jeffreys from Clatsop, Mr. Gates from Wasce, and Mr. Butler from Polk, in this City on their way to their posts.

OFFICIAL VOTE OF JACKSON COUNTY .-Constitution-Yes. 465; No. 872 .-Slavery-Yes, 405 ; No, 426. Free Ne naked into his camp for the man; at

d-d abberlishienists haddent voted to take away our natural rights at the late election. (groans for the abberlishioniate.)

Now mister cheerman when i say, demesticated labor, i mean siggers, (here the chairman interrupted him saying I persume you mean African niggers,) yes of coarse i mean affrican niggers, i den't mean indiana editura, we den't want that Kine.

Now Sir Sam folks thinks we can't beld niggers-but i Say we Ken, by the ungramatical nowritten laws of highway nations, it's what lawyerS call non les Scripter and i'll read a little of it from the lattent language.

nig-rum, ne vitu-hoe-peh-u-lie horus testalibus. rorum, utero misnomen, geni. tales, (gintiles i s'pose,) africerum nigerrerum, et pars mei fructatibus hibben-rarum. ne plus ultry cuffy booby rorum.

By this law mister president we can, must and Shall have niggers in oregon. (cheers) de you cumtux mister cheerman, that by this law, we are not compelled to an judge Taney nor nobody else, whether a felles mought or moughtent bave niggers in enny State or territory. I shant quote any new law to prove my case, but simply to refer you to the late Dreadful Scott decision, and the language of the declaration of Independence Missouri.

All men are born with certain unalienable rights, among which are life, liberty, and the pursuit of niggers. Now mistar president don't that clinch the nule most beautiful ?

I feel as if i wos in the States i'd buy Dreadful Scott myself, and lick him like the d-l. And ef i did whose business would it be I the great common law of high. way nations, the declaration of Independ. ence Missouri, and the Dreadful Scots decision, the three pillars mister cheerman of the great democratic party, would make it perfectly constituotional for me to do so. (loud applause and long stamping of feet. which caused the nail keg on which the cheerman sat to cave in, and brought Antonie down from the roof to see what wm up.)

Now mister cheerman i propose to take a unanimous vote of this Congregation on the subjec i've been speakin about. I hope there won't be no dodging responsibilityfact is i want every map to face the music and show his hand.

Here everybody raised his hand which was counted, and found to be three besides one injin whese hand wan't counted.

Meetin adjourned with tremenius enthusiasm, to meet agin when colled together by the cheer.

Juliann Case bardened o****. Presdent-Rev. jeneral jackson washington overer, Secy.

Crueitles in India

BENARES, July 22. All the women were killed by the Ness Sahib in batches, so many a day. He violated all he could first, and sent the rest

After the election, when Buchanan found that the "Squatter Sovereign" bait took poorly at the North, and that he was mainly indebted for his election to the South, finds it necestary in his Inaugural

SALUTARY INFLUENCE .- Since the Advecate has commenced its labors in Portland we learn that there is a bousefull of people in that city all under "conviction, (in the Penitentiary).

es "An Old Oregonian" nest week.

This editorial was crowded of our last week's paper.

Of On our outside will be found a re nort on a contemplated railroad from Astoria to Eugene City, signed by Jas. Welch, Jas. Wayne, Judge Skinner, W. W. Parker, W. H. Gray and Jas. Taylor, six very promnent citizens of Clatsop county. The arguments set forth in the report provides for the appointment of representfully confirm us in the opinion we have entertained for many years, that Astoria is the natural terminus of that branch of the great Pacific Railroad, which will probably lead from California through Rogue River, corporation whenever it is daemed injuri-laber in oregon. (emotion) Umpeus and the Willamette Valley. We ous to the citizens." we mought have had this hull country Umpeus and the Willamette Valler. We ous to the citizens."

oes-Yes, 46; No, 710. to and fro in that devoted city for many

07 "Pennsylvania rolls up 50,000 dem months, and like the great ternado that cratic majority for Gen. Packer."- Crapswamped the Central America, its influkay's Organ.

ence is being felt for hundreds of miles " Packer, the demacratic candidate for around. The columns of the New York Governor is elected by a majority of 45,-Tribune, Independent and several other * Now Pennsylvania 000. speaks and thunders her majority of forty eastern journals have been employed as thousand."-Portland Times. heavy artillery by the generallissimos and

There is a difference of only 10,000 beunderstrapper gougers in this fight, while ween the head at Salem and the tail at the poor Galesburg Free Democrat has Portland, while the difference between the been so often fired with "double charges" two extremes of the tail itself is only from President Blanchard, Rev. Edward 5. 0011 Beecher, Rev. Mr. Bascom, N. H. Locev.

What relieable papers !!

Pro-slavery Mass Meeting. OREGON CITY, Nov. 28th, 1857.

ED. OF ARGUS .--- I am requested by friend (politically) to send you the proceedings of a mass meeting of the pro-slavery democracy, held in this city to day, and

request the Occidental, at or near Corvallis, to copy. The minutes are literally transcribed from the clerk's journal, and I have thought best to have them published just as they came from his hands. Yours, A NEW SUBSCRIBER.

slaverry party of clackamus assembled at clothes over our heads, but the deaths the new bildin on mane streat now under from sun stroke continue large." ness,' 'treachery,' 'covenant breaking and errction on the lot whar the metherdist

All the above rockets were fired at one meeting house wonst stood, and which is worked on by Mistur antonie from the discharge of the Free Democrat. Rev. E. Dalls, who comes strongly recommended Beecher applied the match to it. If they wish to know in Galesburg which side we by the editer of the weakly times at portare on in Oregon, we go for Gale. Blow land. The meeting was organized and the hous colld to order at 8 minnets after 2

O'clock, Mistur c **** was called to the 07 At thhe Pennsylvania October elec cheer, and rev. mister o ***** was tion, all of the proposed amendments to the chose secretary, when mister h * * * * Constitution of that state were carried by wus colled on fur tu Stait the objic of the a large majority. "There were four KonvenShin, wich he did as follers : amendments to be voted upon. One lim-

mister cheerman-You'd Scace expect its the State in the amont of debt it may one of mi age, 70 odd to speak in publick ated for the purpose. contract to \$750,000, except to repel inon the Stage, but mr. cheerman, we've com vasion or to suppress domestic insurrection. here to do bisness, and i'm boun to do sum and also prohibits the lending of the credit of i have it oll to do my Self. (excitement) of the Commonwealth to any individual or Mister cheerman, i have cum hear to ax corporation, and the Commonwealth from you and the rest of this congregation what becoming a joint owner or stockholder in we have cum here for? Mister cheerman if the door and threw it out, and took her any association or corporation. The second i understand the question before this hous place in the cotillion just in time to "for-we've cum here to organnize a law and and back." Although her dress 'collapsed. amendment deprives the Legislature of the power to divide counties without the assent order party, to try and evapperrate every she did not. That lady would walk up the did not. That lady would walk up the cannon's mouth, or to the altar with of the voters of such counties. The third d-d abberlishonized feller on the face of this our gleab, and try to eradicate A law tives throughout the State, and the divi-And order Party, and try And pertect ourtion of the city of Philadelphia into senaselves and our posterrity from domesticated torial and representative districts : and the violence. Now mister cheerman i Sa that fourth gives power to the Legislature to alter, revoke, or annul any charter of inwe ought, Can and shall have domesticated

Jhunst, they tied the husbands to trees while the same atrocitics were in process, and tore the children limb by limb. They have made mothers kill their own children, and that sort of thing. Poor old-(a civillan) was daintily stabbed on six bayenets, and carried round ----- kicking, and then killed. It is as well to tell these things, which don't half some up to the untellable atrocities of the way in which the ladies were tortured and exposed, because the more you all know in England the better, as for want of cavalry them wretches get very little cut up now, and they must be punished afterwards in cold blood. We shall have it all our own way now if Bombay keeps quiet, as the 5th Fusilier and 37th are on the river, and will make Havelock strong enough for anything. He drives them like sheep as it is, but the punishment of these fiends is the thing that will take time ; the Government ment is too mild, the authorities in Calcutta still potter and humbug.

EAST INDIA .- A Brittish officer, writing from Allahabad, India, says: "You have no idea of the awful weather, and our persuent to notis the demecrattic pro- suffering from the heat ; we sit with wet

> THE NEW BRITISH DIVORCE LAW .-The principal feature in the British Parlis ment, about which so much has been said, pro and con in the British press, and which encountered strong opposition in both houses while it was pending, being an amendment of the old laws relating to divorce, is the provisions that divorces, which have hitherto been only granted by special acts passed after adjudication by the house of lords at great expence to the parties, are: hereafter to be decreed by a tribunal ore-

> PERFECTLY COOL -At a ball in Wheel ng, a lady was in an embarrassing po Her skirt was torn, and a whalebe thrust out into the circle in a very unseemly manner. The lady coolly took hold of the ar-ticle, drew it from her dress, and walked to out fear or trembling.

> THE HERO PHILOSOPHER.-Alexander Humboldt oclebrated his 89th birthday on the 14th September. A number of dep-utations called upon him to offer him their congratulations.

(C Read the advertisements over again,