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## saturday, APRIL 16, 1870.

 THE RIGHTS OF OOLORED VOTERS, In Ohio and Californin the fiftoenth amendment has boen sot at nanght by the rofusal to register negro voters, it being alleged that the existing Stato laws, which disfranchise
the colored men, are in fall force notwithstanding the amendment, and that the nogroes are not entitled to the privilioges of citi-
zonship antil Congreess talces nction in the mattor by passing laws to enforce the Con-
atitution. It is well that this question has
and atitution. It is well that this quostion has
been rained now, so that it can be sottled at onoe and forever by Congross bofore it ad
journs; and if there yet remains anything to be done to secorre to our colored fellow-citi-
zens all their rights, the Democrats will be doing an their rights, the Democral service to the community by malking all the legal objections they ean
link of at once, so that they can bo attendel to. The Judiciary Committee of the Honse of
Representatives has now under consideration a bill for the enforcement of the fifteenth
amendment, which is as stringent in its proincerely hope that it will be reported as soon as practicable, and acted upon by both houses
of Congross withont delay. The bill deolares that ango offciaial who shall officially deny the
right of any citizon to vote on account of race, color, or previous condition at any eleoton, shanl be adjudged guilty of a misde-
moonor, and bo punished by inprisonment
 ment. The bill contains other provisions of ing any interference with the exeroise of franchise by the negroes, and it will effeetn-
ally put a stop to the performanices of Demo cratic Attorney-Generals and othors who aro
nowattempting to curry favor with tho lowes, most ignorant, and brutal olasses in the con-
munity by obstructing, so far as is is in the WUROPEAN COMPLIMENTS Ir is such a rare oceurrence for the Govern-
ment of the United States to be gracefully and efficiently represented at a Europeean
Court that the exceptional cases deserve bassador was a man sent to a foreign country sented, but generally the American people do thoir foreign ministors are about equally
divided between those who go abroad to
malke themselves rich by parimonionty hoarding their salaliese, and thosse who manke
themselves ridiculous by nonsensical display. By a fortunate combination of accidents,
however, it ocacasionally happens that the as well as at home. This seems to be the criterion can be furnished by the proceodings
of the dinner given by Mr. John Jay 2d d dny of Febranary an a celobratio
of Washington's birthay, to the Chancello of the Austrin Empire, Count de Beust, and who are aceredited to the Austrian Court.
The whole affair was managed with an amount response to graceful spoechess and toasia
offered by Mr. Jay, Washington, Americ and the American people reocived a host of and the official representatives of Fra
England, Pruasia, Russia, and Spain England, Prussia, Russia, and Spain.
the speeches, except the two latter, livered in English, and this circumsta
while it heightened the interest of the sion, gave rise to several humorous allusions.
For instance, the Count do Beust said that should be totally unable to follow the diplomatio system of using language to concoal his
thoughts, because the utmost that he could dare to aspire to was to oxpress his feelings.
Ho is evidently, however, no novice in the use of the English tongue, as may begseen by

 personal compliment to Mr. Jay as the de-
scendent of the Jolin Jay of Revolutionary
memory, and he contended that the firm memory, and ho con France and the United
friendship between
States was even better than a formnal allince. Mr. Lytton, the Secretary of the Britio
Legation, in commenting apon the late war gave this emphatio and vigoro
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treatien of reciprocal friendahtp which are bused upon right and justice," Turne is n rumor in the air that the only
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