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THE AGITATOR.

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WHAT'S IN A NAME?

There is a good deal in a name—a good deal more, sometimes, than the name itself seems to imply—a good deal in the application of the name to things named. We showed last week how well flash novelists of the modern school understood the philosophy of names, their application to the characters drawn, and their adaptation to our sympathies.

There was a time in the history of our country when the word Democracy had a significance above and beyond its mere lexicographic definition. There was a time when this word carried hope to the hearts of the struggling and monarch-ridden masses of Europe, and terror to tyrants everywhere—a time when it meant "equal and exact justice to all men"—a time when it was another name for Freedom.

Last winter there was a change. He saw that unless a lucky card was played he should sink into merited obscurity. An election was soon to take place in Illinois which would decide his fate. With an earnestness of purpose and with force of character possessed by few men in America—qualities which have made him all he is—he went to work to retrieve his failing fortunes.

When the neighbors come, Russell and they blasted and chopped the tree off of Simon, and buried him to a good pine that we calculated not to fall. Lu pined, and howled, and moaned for his master, till I got him to look after baby now and then, when I was hanging out clothes or makin' garden, and he got to like her in the end not near as well as Simon.

After a-while there come more settlers out our way, and we got a church to go to; and the minister, Mr. Jones, he come to know if I was a member, and when I said I wasn't, he put in to know if I wasn't a pious woman.

"Well," says I, "I don't know, Sir." So I up and told him all about it and how I had had a hard lesson; and he smiled once or twice, and says he,—

"Your husband thinks you are a Christian, sister Potter, don't he?"

"Yes, I do," says Russell, a-comin' in behind me to the door—for he'd just stepped out to get the minister a basket of plums. I ha'n't a doubt on't, Mr. Jones."

And I guess I did.—Atlantic Monthly.

SELLING THEIR OWN CHILDREN.—The editor of the Brooklyn Star, a Virginian, says that instances of the sale of their own children by slaveholders are by no means uncommon at the South. He mentions a remarkable instance that occurred in his own knowledge.

While entering our protest in our last issue against President-making two years in advance of the proper time for that work, we stated that a statesman might be very popular with the masses this year and exceedingly unpopular the next. This fact of itself ought to be sufficient to deter journalists from trying to create public sentiment favorable to some particular statesman.

A Virginia correspondent of The Times says he was "very good authority" for stating that Mr. Buchanan, in spite of his disclaimers, means, if possible, to procure his own re-nomination to the Presidency in 1860, and falling in that, to control the nomination for the man whom he may prefer.

ously advocated. True to his masters as the needle to the pole, he spoke of and recognized these brigands as settlers and "sovereigns" whose will, whether enforced by the ballot or the bowie knife, he was bound to respect, as long as they were the strongest.

The late arrivals from Europe represent England and France as actively engaged in warlike preparations. These of the latter power are supposed to be directed toward Austria, and, with the help of Sardinia, it is easy to see that Louis Napoleon has such advantages as may make him not averse to a trial of French valor on the scene of his great Uncle's most brilliant campaigns.

There is a possible motive in the military preparations of England and France, that does not look to southern Europe for a solution.—Neither of these powers has been blind, or altogether indifferent, to the annexing policy of the United States. So long as it was confined to our own shores, or appeared to be the result of a natural spread of population over our immediate borders, they might think it not wise to interfere; but now that it is extending to foreign shores, and threatens the dismemberment of European empire, they may have concluded that the time is approaching for them to say an effective word in the matter.

The dethronement of Solloque, though in itself not a fact, probably, of great importance, may open the door to an active intervention by France in the affairs of Hayti. She lost that island by the emity of England, and she might now regain it by her alliance. Have not other powers an equal right with the United States to plan new conquests in the West Indies? Did not President Pierce's deputy Madame Cazenave negotiate for a permanent footing in Dominica, with a view to ulterior designs, which were only not openly avowed, but for which the times proved not ripe?

The war party in our own Congress—for such a party has been growing steadily for a number of years past—is determined to push forward the conquest of Cuba; and so reckless is it in the pursuit that it does not pause to violate both the spirit and the letter of the Constitution by virtually vesting in the hands of the President the extreme function of war, which that instrument designed to repose in Congress alone. We cannot conceal from ourselves the possibility that the two great powers of Europe are tending to a closer alliance for their common protection and that of their neighbor, and that the apparent imminence of war with Austria may serve them an excellent purpose in masking their real designs with respect to the United States.—Century.

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PEPPER AND THE TARIFF.—The whip is cracking loud over the shoulders of the Pennsylvania Democrats. The slave drivers at Washington, speaking through their agent, the editor of the States, gives the Keystone brethren to understand that their natural craving for a tariff will be lashed right out of them.—That paper says:

"Our associates in the Keystone State have already been indulged to the utmost limit of forbearance. They have been tolerated for years in the open profession of heresy. We permitted them to sacrifice Dallas for his in-trepid fidelity to the principles of the party; and we allowed them to promote Buchanan because of his non-conformity to a cardinal point of Democratic doctrine. These things have been done for the Protectionist Democracy of Pennsylvania, and yet they have the audacity to exact a still further compromise of principle.—The demand is insufferable. Protection is another name for Abolitionism, and rather than be responsible for its imposition, the representatives of the slave-holding States would surrender the control of the Government."

DEATH WARRANTS.—Gov. Packer has signed the death warrants of Christian Jacobi and David S. Evans, the wife murderers, at Pittsburgh, and ordered their executions to take place on Friday, the 20th day of May next.

Donation. THE friends of Rev. J. ORALEMON propose to make him a Donation Visit at his residence in Wellsboro, on the afternoon and evening of Wednesday and Thursday, the 23d and 24th of March. The afternoon and evening of the first day will be devoted to the entertainment of adults, and the second day to the entertainment of the children. A general invitation is extended. By order of Committee.

Notice. THE Copartnership heretofore existing between C. L. Wilcox and C. W. Sears, under the name of Wilcox & Sears is dissolved by mutual consent. All those indebted to the late firm of Wilcox & Sears are requested to call and settle the same immediately. The business will hereafter be conducted in the name of C. L. Wilcox. C. L. WILCOX. C. W. SEARS. Wellsboro, Dec. 13th, 1858.

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