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| any bubipicss at all. Beyond twoor three slight movements on the Tariff nuid Postage questions, we haye so far nothing to record in the wny of |  |
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| In the Sonate; on tho-28d ult;'Mr. Clay presented petitions, one from Blair sounty, Ponn- |  |
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| of ' 42 was in existence, was in $n$ most flourigh.. ing condition, but that under the Tariff of ' 40 the business is almost entirely prostrated: Mr |  |
| Clay took this occasion to any that he, should |  |
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| projudice to the general interests of, ther country some better protection than now exists could not be afforded to the mandfacturing in- |  |
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| could not be afforded to the manufnoturing interests. The fact, said Mr. Clay, is no longer doubtful that the fres are extinguisking daily, |  |
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| longer doubtful that the spindles and looms are daily stopping in the country. Whether it is possible to arrest this downward course, and |  |
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| possible to arrest this downwned course, and to throw a little spirit of hope and encouragement into this great industrial interest vithput aritating the country genernlly, and with |  |
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| mant into this grent industrial interest without agitating tho country genernlly, and without any oxtrayigance of legishation, are questions, |  |
| I think, vẹry well morthy of serious ation; and I hope, in the calm which we are |  |
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| allowed at present to enjoy in relation to other great topics which lave so long and so disns- |  |
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| $\Lambda$ discussion sprung up a few diys since on the Cheap Postage bill, and we are glad to notice that some wembers at least were found |  |
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| and Perry counties, took a proper stand in the debate in reference to postuge on newspapers, |  |
| which we hope will be seconded by every member from Pennsylvania. Mr. C. stated |  |
| that he would not give his support to the bill under discussion, unless country papers were allowed to go free in the countr in which thoy |  |
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| allowed to go free in the county in which theyare published, and gave his reasons fong leng. Mr. Thompson of Pa. took the same ground. |  |
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