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GREAT PATRIOTIC DEMONSTRATION IN CALIFORNIA.

The Spirit of the Times copies from a California paper an amusing account of a "great mass meeting at Santa Cruz," held in December last:—

The following "call" for a mass meeting, appeared posted in several parts of our city, on Saturday last. " Mass Meeting-All the patriotic citizens of this city are invited to attend a mass meeting, to be held at the City Hall, on the evening of Monday, the 5th inst., for the purpose of taking into consideration the heroic act of Captain Ingraham, in saving the life of an adopted American citizen, in a foreign port;matching him, as it were, from the very jaws of Austrian despotism! The following gentlemen have been

Mons. Jean Jacque Romfadieu,-a distinguished

invited to attend, and, it is expected, will address the

French exile. P. O'B. J., Esq.-a distinguished Irish refugee. Herr Hans Vandam Schpoodleman, -- an exiled Ger-

man of celebrity. Sig. Dandalini Spozzini,—ex-chief of the celebrated

anti-despotic "caballi," an exile of Italy. Ching Aling Tumchow Ki,-an escaped Chinese

tebel and refugee.

Peniatowski Pizwizki, Esq.,—late prisoner in the Siberian Mines,—a renowned Pole. Gen. Krakovitch Blujazy Vitvitch, an officer of the

Hungarian Army of '48, an Assistant Commissary under Kossuth." Pursuant to the above summons, a large and enthu-

siastic assemblage of our citizens convened in front of the Town Hall, long before the appointed hour. Precisely at eight o'clock the meeting was called to order. and opened by an appropriate prayer from the Rev. Hezekiah Pugh. On the motion of Prof. S. S. Squizzins, Solomon Pike, Esq., of Missouri, was called to the chair, and seven vice-presidents and a secretary nominated and elected.

The chairman, after a few brief remarks on the object of the meeting, said, that before proceeding to regular business, he wished to express his regrets at being obliged to state that four of the distinguished spoke foreigners invited, found it impossible to attend, viz.: the Greek, Italian, Chinese and Polish exiles.

As some of the notes they had sent to that effect were rather prolix, he would only read one from Sig. Spozzini, the celebrated Italian, written in his own idiom. He at the same time begged the excuses of his fellow-citizens for the non-attendance of the other gentlemen. Sig. Spozzoni's note was then read,-of which the following is a copy:—

"Sanctinieruzoni, Di 5. "Signore Il Presidenti:—Questa maccaroni io sentomi una indispozzizioni. Vermicelli non lo! addesso nini! ini? titi? Mezzotinto violincello. Di tanti palpiti, felichi,-e, o, dui scudi gli tuzzymuzzi. Ah non giunge phizgigi glorississimi liberati di Americani hombogati. Ittittityfrittinitzi Onipolinoni gozzofozzodozzo,—da!

"Il sui servente, D. Spozzoni."

The noble sentiments here so boldly, though briefly expressed, called a loud cheer from the crowd. The chairman then offered a series of resolutions approving of the conduct of Captain Ingraham, in the Smyrna affair, and tendering him, on behalf of the people, the freedom of the city of Santa Cruz in a box, which were received with rounds of applanse, and unanimously adopted. The chairman now brought forward and presented Monsieur Jean Jacques Romfadieu, the French exile, who would, he stated, address the meeting in English. Mons. R. is a sallow, thin gentleman, with an intelligence of expression and vivacity of movement, fully attesting his gallic origin. He was received with three hearty cheers, and responded silently with three well-defined shrugs. He then spoke as follows :-" Messieurs, Citoyens,

"I am devoured by ze honor of zis percussion. I have a fazer, a mozer, a brozer and a leetle vife, and zey is all smozered by zis honer magnifique you do to me. I am un Français!!"

(A small boy in a free here ejaculated: " Hail Ker-

"Vat ze diable zat? Eh?-Bien,-I am an Frangais, I have shouldar ze car-r-a-bine, -- I have mache, liberté. Vive la liberté vaire, jamais, feel so moche happy as ven I read about are stamped, as that will save them from being im- On which occasion she will be assisted by the followxat action aussi parfaitment brave of ze Capitaine Engroom,-nevaire, by dam! by several large dam! ch! Yos you sink a zat?

"Bah! Mille tonnerres! How zat ogly diable ze king of Autriche moss, vot you call, shake in ze boots? Ha! ah! Eh? Vive Pegalité! Je snis prond to say zat lam a citoyen au nature! (as you say) of zis grande republique. Oui, aui Monsieur, je suis Americain, and eef ze tyrants of France vant to ketch me, -he, he, zey muss fuss pull ze guts out of ze American eagle! Parblen, zey may go to grass vis zeit bon-bons! Vive les Etats Units,—Le President—His Lady," (here he removed his hat and bowed,) "et vive les Americain peeples! A bas le tyr-r-rane!—
as you say, go eet bottes! Tra-la! Mortblen-u-u."

(Here the distinguished French exile, becoming much excited, turned a somersault, and tore out two handsful of his hair.)

"Prirrdon citoyens, but I git much patrouitisme, Pim! pom! Le jour de gloire est arrive! Eh!— Ouf! Bah! Scelerat! Oh! Ah! S\*\*\*\*\*\*

At this moment the French exile was carried away by enthusiam, or two of the vice presidents.- I could hol say precisely which;—but at any rate, he disappeared from the speakers' stand. As soon as the applause, consequent upon this short speech, had subsided, the chairman came forward, leading by the hand Herr Hans Vandam Schpoodleman, the German wile. exile. After introducing him to his fellow-citizens as the "renowned Flamingo" (probably because he was of Flemish origin) he begged their strict attention, as well as patience, as Herr S, possesed the chafacteristic phlegm of his countrymen, and must take his own time in speaking. Herr S. is a short, broad-beamed man, with a fat face. He was smoking a large meerschaum pipe. He gave four or five huge puffs, and then spoke as follows:-

"Fellow-Citizens, unt Shentlemens mit der Jury." (Five minutes now elapsed, during which time the llerr seemed wrapt in deep meditation.) "Ven I gits dis evening your note for de comes here, unt to schpeak, I vos very schleepy. Every night ven I gits mine supper in mine pelly, unt mine pipe, unt my bot

what you dinks'—unt she say 'vot you dinks,'—unt I say 'vell, I dinks the same,'—unt she say 'vell I dinks as you dinks,'—unt I say 'I dinks so too,'—unt she say so neider, and so I comes." (The worthy Herr now took a short nap, on awakening from which he continued.) "Yaw, dat was great tings, ven dat Captin Schmyna dook boor Ingraam out of der Kosta. Mein Himmel vot a guntree! He yoost tell Austria to go mit hell—goot, very goot!" (Looking round on a knowledge on the subject which no one but a leadthe crowd) "Mine cott vot a lot of beeples !-oh! but I am schleepy. I vish I vos mit mine vrow Jemima; oh, but dat vould be so nice!" Here he fell fast asleep and was charitably removed by some officiating gen-

The excitement in the crowd now became intense. The great attraction of the evening, the Maygar General, was about to speak in his native tongue, as he knew not a word of English. Gen. Vitvitch, the Hungarian, is a ferocious looking man-you would take him for a hero among thousands, -and the cheering was deafening as he bowed to the "sovereigns." He spoke briefly, but to the point, as follows:-

"Kkketgnwitch Blktkitch. "Krakow dgbel kt snaklactak silver-bitch dig! Kkk?-Ocopilizen juck it-chitch. Xyex hoickszin bum! Witch britches stietch. Shucks!-oxnux krie kacs tickletich fiz sketbxylkmpuz zek ekzlitch bak bubslut bim! Lajos Kowshoot spunkerdung. Bigbung flipflopflunk slambang corn-cracking tarpitch fog-fitch blab Kk Kk!"

Amid hearty applause and perspiration the great Maygar retired. The foreigners present had now all spoken, and the crowd were anxious to hear a little of the good old "Anglo." Loud and repeated cries were heard for "Sol. Pike!"—"Mr. Pike," "Pike," "Old Pike." This is our chairman,—the greatest orator of modern times." He is called "old dictionary" by many on account of his great command of words. He is a lawyer of celebrity, and when I tell you that he it was who made the "defence" in the great "Puggins rail lence case,"—I have said enough,—you know what to expect. He at last came spoke—
"Fellow-Citizens:

When the effulgent orb of diurnal illumination, in orient horizon, proclaims the morning's dawn, - when our emblematic bird, ere he cleaves the azure emphyrean, replumes his pinions for a nobler flight; 'tis er a land where freedom's foe ne'er leaves a dastard footprint on the spotless soil!"

(A small, but precocious youth here vociferated, 'hurrah for the Star-spangled Bladder!")

Heedless of the interruption Mr. Pike continued-"Let allied powers of rotten dynasties, in the elder world, pour the cohortic legions, panoplied, and steeled with hereditary pride, and contumelions ostentation, upon the Maygar, who, emulating us, bears the red right arm of liberty; let the ferocious Gaul rush with his surcharged bombards,—the harbinger of desolation and woe, -o'er fair Italia's smiling land of "sunny smiles" and vine ;-let the bearded Russ with Christion hate sweep with Cossack hoof the sweet Sultana of the east; while other despots, perched in idiosyncratic gorgeousness on their thrones, proclaim a superfluous superogation to the—

A cry of fire here put an end to the speech and the

### CANADA.

THE NEXT SESSION OF PARLIAMENT.-The Quebec Chronicle says :- "It is stated on good authority that Parliament will be opened in June by Lord Elgin in person. The only legislation will be the passing of a measure bringing the Franchise Bill into operation immediately, and the introduction and reading of an act, placing the Clergy Reserves in the revenues of the province. The house will then be dissolved, and the elections will come off in August or September next. The Ministerial bill will then be submitted to

LIGHT WEIGHTS .- On Monday last a number of cases were tried before the Court of Special Sessions of the Peace, held by W. Ermatinger, Esq., J.P., against a number of butchers in the St. Anne's Market, for having in their possession certain light weights. -and I have fight like mossing at all for ze grande The public should be particular when they buy, to iberte. Vive la liberte!—bote I have nevaire, neposed upon. If the weights are not stamped it is almost certain they are not as heavy as the law requires.

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did ger peer, I gits mighty schleepy.—Aw! aw!?? Commander of the Forces to withhold discharges, a deep yawn) "So I schpeaks to mine vrow,— whether free or otherwise, from men now serving in the regiments stationed in Canada.—Quebec Gazette.

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