

PETITIONS
FOR
LEGALIZING MARRIAGE
WITH A
DECEASED WIFE'S SISTER.

“LOOK ON THIS PICTURE”—

HENRY CHARLES FITZROY SOMERSET, DUKE OF BEAUFORT, is the son of a Marriage with a Deceased Wife's Sister; he is a LAWFUL son, and inherits his father's titles and estates, and sits in the House of Lords—

“AND NOW LOOK ON THAT”—

CHARLES ARMITAGE BROOK, of Meltham Hall, near Huddersfield, was the son of a marriage with a Deceased Wife's Sister, but he was NOT a lawful son; the House of Lords (which had received the Duke of Beaufort among its Members) pronounced him illegitimate, and that as he died under 21, and without a Will, all his property must go to the Crown.

Whence this different treatment of these two children?—The Duke of Beaufort was born in 1824, and Charles Armitage Brook was born in 1854!—That is all the difference between the two cases. And shall this unjust distinction continue? It is for the people of this country to say.

PETITION! PETITION!! PETITION!!!