



CZECH PEASANTS.

enormously under this polyglot from lack of a State language.

"So far the Czechs are having the best of the fight," writes V. Gribayedoff, a Bohemian patriot, "What is their programme? They demand that the Austrian Empire shall be comprised of a triple, instead of a dual, monarchy, and that the Emperor shall be crowned King of Bohemia in Prague, just as he has been crowned King of Hungary at Buda-Pesth. Such a dream cannot be realized in a day. But sentiments of national pride and independence have been infused into the inert masses of the Slav

population, and a new spirit has been awakened which has shown itself in their recent achievements, not in the political arena alone, but in the literary field, in science, and in art. The Bohemians are ready to emerge from their Babylonian captivity.

"The Mayor of Prague distinguished himself by organizing a monster demonstration for the purpose of raising funds for the relief of the Czech populations left to the tender mercies of the Teutonic majority in the German portions of Bohemia and Moravia. Ten thousand brawny Czech gymnasts marched in full regalia