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'high rank claimed the same privilege. The horses were unyoked from the plough, to be harnessed to the rich man's carriage. It was the most galling injustice which the provinces suffered. We have an inscription on the frontier town of Egypt and Nubia, mention its petition for a redress of this grievance; and a coin of Nerva's reign records its abolition in Italy. Our Lord could give no stronger exhortation to patient humility than by advising his Syrian hearers, instead of resenting the demand for one stage's "vehiculation," to go willingly a second stage.—*Eclectic Review*.

To our Friends who write LETTERS .- Quite frequently we receive letters from new friends in the United States marked paid three cents, or perchance marked paid six cents. These cents might as well be in the Gulf of Mexico. Three cents or six cents will not pay the postage of any letter from any State in the Union to any Post Office in Canada West. The American President and the British Queen made a covenant a few years ago in reference to letters passing between our countries, which covenant has not been abolished; and therefore a letter mailed anywhere on the American side to be forwarded to this country, requires TEN CENTS postage, which sum in full must be paid either at the office where the letter is posted or at the office where the letter is received. For example, no letter can be paid 3 or 6 cents in the United States, and then 7 or 4 cents here to make up the sum of 10 cts. It must be paid in full at one office ; and if not paid at the office that sends it, then the whole postage requires to be paid at the office where it is taken out. D. O.

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