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"I declare there is not in this country nor in Great Britain a dramatic critic who, affecting to sit in judgment on a comedy, can tell me what a comedy is. He cannot describe its component parts nor give a sensible definition of this kind of drama, as distinguished from any other. There is a simple issue. I throw down the glove and defy any dramatic critic to take it up, feeling confident there is not one in the crowd who has given the matter enough consideration to understand its first principles. Let us, in good humor, try the issue by a simple case of spelling bee. I ask the critic to spell comedy. If he cannot, then let him ackndwledge he does not know what he is writing about. If he succeed, I shall be happy to apologize to him for my incredulity."

Mr. Boucicault's sweeping declaration, though made in , apparent good humor, would imply that since the days of Aristophanes to the present time the genius of comedy has been on a pilgrimage to distant lands, having previously stipulated with old Time that no descendant of father Adam should again wear her mantle until the spirit of Boucicault th Great should rise from the loins of the 19th century.

Like old Rip Van Winkle aroused from his sleep of 20 years with hoary locks, these dramatic scribblers have grown gray under the fatal delusion that they were dcaling out to their numerous readers knowledge of the true merits of the drama sheer nonsense.

Serves them right; men should first know the bent of their minds before they engage in difficult undertakings, or if they must be critics and authors they should lican, who was appointed to office by scek inspiration from fountain-head.

THE SPIRIT OF RADICALISM Partisan venom is an infirmity which has so long afflicted the Radical Republi-

Having advocated his election and afterwards commended those who voted for nim, your correspondent will be slow to condemn any act of his which is not plainly to the disadvantage of the country or the party. But why should he not have appointed the committees before this time? Why should not the party have an op-

protunity of further commending itself to the people by entering at once upon the discussion of those important questions of flnance, of the Indian service, of civil service reform, and of economy, which are of interest to all?

If it was the wish of the Speaker that no adjournment should take place prior to the time when the regular session commences in December, there is no public sentiment which would have condemned the introduction and consideration of subjects of general legislation at this time. The Democratic party, it seems to me, has nothing to lose by an early consideration of what is of interest to all the people. The States which vote on the 6th of November, if, as I believe, they would now sustain the Democratic ticket, will not be helped to do so by any shuffling or prevarication on the part of Democrats in national position. But however that may be, let us have a Democratic party. no matter how New York or Pennsylvania may vote. There is something far better than expediency. The National Democratic party has defended principles too long, and suffered too much therefor, to abandon it at the moment of expected victory.

If the proposed appointment of Simon Cameron as Minister to England' can be supposed to have any good effect it must be in the same way as the inebriate did a good work who accompanied the temperance lecturer-he may serve as "an awful example." But it is not believed such an ty, style and description. appointment will be made. Mr. Hayes FVFRY DAIR W can hardly afford, at this time, to break when in truth they have been writing up his Cabinet and disgust decent Republicans as well as Democratic Senators, as he would do by sending Cameron to represent the United States in any civilized country. Cameron once said, referring to a physical misfortune of another Repub-

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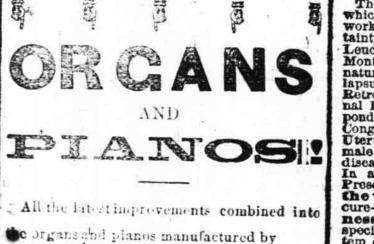
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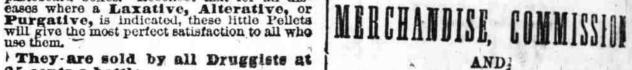
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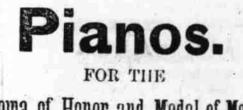
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