THE CUNARD STEAMERS. to sail as follows:---

REFARTURES FROM LIVERPOOL. DEPARTURES FROM AMERICA.

"Opifer per Orbem Dicor." SATURDAY MORNING, FEB. 9, 1850.

For the British Whig.

LEGAL REFORM.

NO. II.

Of all the acts of the present Reform administration, nothing has disappointed the public more than their having, at an immense increase to the burden of the country, adopted Mr DEAR WHIG, property being unjustly sold, costs more than Government." the property is worth? But we pause to ask; I observe that some of your Tory Jour-Equity be the rule in all Courts of law? And the notion, that the "universal Yankee nathe question brings us back to a consideration | tion" is about to be split into fragments, in | of the present system of jurisprudence, the consequence of the slavery agitation, which uncertainty and confusion of which is prover- for the last year or two has stirred our exbial. The two questions, viz., the Courts and citable population from Maine to del Norte. the law itself here unite themselves, an I we But let me tell you that this is all stuff, as

lawyes that the Common Law of England and North, are not worth a button top, to tainty of our passing a reciprocity act, to keep of the laws. Whether he will make any from the clerk of the Peace. Does Mr. V. which we have adopted, is the greatest and use a favorite expression of yours, when you them in power and place; as certainly they movement in l'arliament to secure this object mean to assert that he had a right to such a most complete system of jurisprudence that mean to be emphatic. The speeches to that cannot long retain either without the benefit remains to be seen. It would necessarily be notice or that it is usual to send such? The LERS On Monday evening last, as we learn the world ever saw—that being built upon end are made, most of them, for Buncombe, or of such a measure. This is but holding out a work of great labor, and would occupy a supposition is absurd. The notice was sent decisions of the most talented Judges for ages, loca onsumption. At the time our western delusive hopes, to confirm the wavering supit contains precedents of almost every case politicians, led by Polk, got up the cry of port of their adherents. There is anything est intimation his boen given through the my presence that unless requested specially ensuing year, and for the transaction of other which can be imagined. This is a very 54-40 and nothing less, in the certainty in the case. On the contrary, the press of what measures ministers intend to do so, it would not be done. As to the failplausible argument in the mouth of a lawyer— the Oregon question, you wrote me that you I do not believe any such law will pass the The country will probably be kept in the dark been agreed to, those who know the efforts for them indeed it is the best system that can felt certain that a conflict was in the wind, present Congress; and you know I am pretty respecting the matter, and then measures that that were used, the number of lawyers that be devised—it does indeed contain decisions and you snuffed the battle like the war-horse well acquainted with the wires that move our nobody ever dreamed of will be ushered into were employed, the appeals that were made or precedents on almost every case, but alas from afar. In fact, English statesmen seem- political machinery. Two years ago, the being, and the country taken by surprise. to the charitable feelings of the public, canamongst the eight or ten thousand recorded ed also to think us serious, and busied them- free States would have willingly entered into enough left to object to this course; but we tart may thank his stars that the people of decisions which constitute the common law, selves in making preparations accordingly. such an arrangement, but the south opposed cannot expect that our contemporary will do Oxford are inclined to look charitably on his there are always numberless opposite and con- I told you at the time privately, and your it, because they would not profit thereby, so unruly a thing now. Nous Verrons. flicting decisions on every point, which form readers through the Whig, that the idea of Now they move in it themselves, and a bill so many precedents altogether different from war was utter nonsense; and that the cotton was lately introduced into the House of Reeach other, causing the unfortunate litigan | weavers of Lancashire, and the cotton grow- presentatives by a Southern member. The to be far more misled than if there were no ers of the South, were held in bonds to the cause of this is but too palpable. They desire precedents at all. Each lawyer searches out tune of over \$100,000,000 to keep the peace. to stave off indefinitely annexation. They those to suit his own side of the case, generally It so turned out. I now say to you, that eve- fear the agitation of the subject now going on only on your own fabrication it may by some equally decisive, and at last it is left to the ry sensible man here, who has no political in Canada, which, if brought to its consum- be supposed correct, if allowed to pass uncon- with the parties, and I am authorized by Mr. judge or jury to make a new precedent if they capital to make by talking political nonsense, mation, will swamp their political power and I beg therefore to state that I never offered see fit. What is the use of all this humbug? laughs to scorn the idea of disunion. The influence forever. In fact, they know full to pay the £15, to the Revenue Inspector Britsin American is alone capable of penning. If even all those precedents were consistant south may rave—the abolitionists of the north well that the annexation of the British Prov- since the prosecution, as you have alleged, in one with the other, people cannot retain may rant—the union will be preserved intact inces would in the end be the destruction of evidence of its being in my possession. thousands of decisions in their heads as the by the good sense of the people. California slavery. But the people of the North have ductions, I shall await another opportunity to

laws have been heaped upon laws in such a to slavery agitation for ever; especially when Count de Paris under the regency of his mothconfusion as to render it necessary to revise the crowning act of all comes, your admission er. We shall let you now settle your own them and to collect the spirit into a new and (out of mere charity mind you) to our glorious destiny, and that of slavery at the same time, intelligent system, those who accomplish such | brotherhood of nations.

ARRIVALS AT KENT'S BRITISH AME- the justice and upright feelings of judge and even after the battles of Palo Alto and Resa- acre in your nore favored districts, they fose out the amount of the license. Messrs. Finkle temptated a dissolution of the Union. The

all our Courts should not be Courts of Equity? now for you. justice that the highest Court in the Province quandary. I spent considerable time last to remain in statu quo.

Kingston, Feb. 7, 1850.

To the Editor of the British Whig.

the old worn aut track of England, in estab- I have been so long in your debt, for the and a common proverb. This celebrated Court fore take up my pen to send you a payment! of Justice is recommended to us as a Court of in the usual currency. As you Connucks | Equity-fallacions idea-this is like giving grope in the very "blackness of darkness," to get a simple injunction to prevent his little and much-desired, system of "Responsible

rule of their conduct in business transactions. will be admitted as a free State, and after a also got their eyes open. It is too late, as the refute, and in the mean time will thank you Chancellor Bacan informs us that " when time New Mexico, and an end put thereby French said to Theirs, when he proposed the to publish this letter.

a heroic task, have a good right to be named | Let me whisper in your ear a fact. The nexation. After that it would die out amongst the Legislators and benefactors of present crisis in the fate of the South is but in God's good time. simple retributive justice. She sought by in- After all, I am really astonished, that any your issue of the 26th ult., a letter from as a case of interferance Mr. Davis vindi-Napoleon Bonapart, with his usual genius | iquitous means, the annexation of Texas, in man of common sense (nothing personal, my Messrs. Finkle and Pruyn, in vindication of cated Massachesetis. Mr. Clay then proceedand prompted by his enlarged mind, saw the necessity of this in France, where laws had no observe in the first-special to him the fi been heaped upon laws. He proposed a Code quainted with every intrigue on foot to bring tish protection. All your affinities, social and ish Colonist a letter from Mr. Vansitiart him- now to legislate on slavery on both sides of per annum is effected! af laws for France in a few weeks, which did away with all this confusion, and in which, away with all this confusion, and in which, and into several slave States in case of necession and remaining passive with regard to the other to characterizers. Single of the confusion and sugar country, which might be care others to characterizers after a perusal of the south than interdicting slavery on one side, and remaining passive with regard to the other to characterizers. Single of the confusion and sugar country, which is about. Mr. Calhoun desired that fine cothers to characterizers after a perusal of the south than interdicting slavery on one side, and remaining passive with regard to the other desired that fine cothers to characterizers after a perusal of the south than interdicting slavery on one side, and remaining passive with regard to the other desired that fine cothers to characterizers. under the name of the Code Napoleon, that ed into several slave States in case of neces- it, republican. You cannot, if you would, re- tice to allow me to submit to the public, when - he would not vote for the introduction of day in regard to Sir John Franklin: country enjoys the best and simplest system of sity, to keep in due balance the political pow-main monarchical, for you have no plinth on I state that I was the instigator of the prosecu-slavery where not existing now—he eloquent- To the Senate and House of Representatives of jurisprudence in the world. In forming this jurisprudence in the world. In forming this celebrated Civil Code, he adopted his ground when Nebraska, Minesoto and Oregon and a colonial condition, in perpetuity, is too cense from Mr. Vansittart's elerk or deputy, eulogised General Taylor, but placed General Taylor, but work the institutes of Juvenal, and to each should become free States. He never dreamt degrading to be thought of; and if the charge but that in the year 1849 a change took place ral Scott in Mexico above all generals ancient tire to the well known exped tion under his comsub-Division he appended and adopted max- of war, and had, he remained Secretary of must come, as conceded by all, why not now. In the arrangement of the office. A change or modern. The South had no cause to mand to the arctic regions, for the discovery of a

should take equity as the rule of its decisions, summer and fall in the counties lying between My dear Whig, I wish you to bethink yourto shew the injustice of the enormous and un- people not want the same justice in all dis- of public feeling, that no way anticipated. into the communion of the faithful, I shall necessary expenses incident to legal proceedputed matters? Is the poor man not entitled I had been in that section frequently since I come over and let you and the good Kingsings, thereby multiplying lawyers and nourishto the same request that I would not press the
Breathless silence prevailed, occasionly inings, thereby multiplying lawyers and nourish- to the same rule of equity as the rich man? had the pleasure of seeing you, and I was tonese into the secrets of Locofocoism.— matter for a few days and he would pay the terrupted by applause, which was suppressed ing a litigious and quarrelsome spirit amongst Think you that judge of Draper, Judge Mac- wont to preach up to the good folks, with my Meantime, hurran for your advent as the all classes of the community, and public opin- aulay or any of the other judges of the Queen's usual bluntness, annexation as the grand pa- State of Ontario. ion has endorsed our observation. Since the Bench or District Courts, are not equally as nacea for all their political ills. I got loudly Rochester, Feb. 5, '50 appearance of the former article, many in- able to preside, and as equally to be trusted laughed at for my pains. but ma conscience, the biggest item, was nevertheless but one. that Mr. Smith, the member for Durham, will mencing proceedings sooner, or communicat-It was the same thing all round. Lumber, introduce a measure to reduce the law costs ing with the department; but I delayed from butter, eggs, cheese, and live stock, found a in collecting debts; and another to compel a desire to show the books to the Hon. Inspecready market here, less 20 to 30 per cent the matter in dispute should not be settled by soon after his return from England. I may, lishing a Court of Chancery; a Court, the Weekly Whig, that I fear your patience must than the same products were worth on the arbitration. The first of these measures is however, state here that the only book by sunny side of the lake. It is true they had wanted bad enough in all conscience, and its which the fraud could be detected, was kep a born lord and a Bruce at that, to rule over author will doubtless receive the hearty thanks out of my hands until the 12th of December. them as in duty bound, and they had Sodgers measure, for extending the principle of arbi- to make out my accounts, Mr. Vansittart may a sick man panting for thirst, a drink, and in regard to yankee politics, I shall first say is more, the inestimable blessing of "Respon- will also tend much to relieve this law-ridden when I received the books and papers, and at the same time placing it out of his reach. to you a few words thereunto, and then pass sible Government," but they forgot all the country of some of its burthens. The mea-Equity forsooth. What equity can a poor to the consideration of your very deplorable glittering honors of the one, and the hoon of the member for Durham, on account of his hooks containing the list of licences issued the other, in the deplorable condition of their being a lawyer; if it were only just to show was kept back until December, I leave Mr. financial affairs. The rankest tory orange- that good may come out of Nazareth. We Vansittart to answer. As to Mr. V's. stateman I ever knew, a Major of Militia and a have reason to believe that other and more ment that the licences were never asked for Magistrate, had been converted to the true croduced by independent members. One common sense, to say, whether a shop could here—why should not all Courts of Justice nals of the old school—those whose ideas faith. To use a hyperbole, "as the thirsty which may probably be introduced, will embe doing an extensive business in Mr. V's. soul panted after the water brooks," he long- brace the abolion of the present Court of Chan- immediate neighborhood, he dealing in that Niagara Colored Corps. The disbandment of ed for annexation. The secret was this, he law courts. Such a measure will be introduproprieters, yet that it should never occur to the 30th of April, when their term of engage raised 5000 bushels of wheat per year on ced if there be any indication that it can be him that the parties had not paid their duties

one example out of many. and the latter can only be done done by an-

jury to decide in others. And who doubts ca dela Palma; and his sagacity and fore- five dollars, independent of freight, &c. in the and Pruyn say they were thunderstruck when South would gain nothing war and dissolu-

JONATHAN.

THE VANSITTART PROSECUTION. To the Editor of the Globe.

Sit-In your paper of the 26th Jany have thought proper to advance an assertion present Inspector's allowing himself to which is totally untrue; and though it rests

I am Sir. Your obedient servant JNO. GEO. VANSITTART. Woodstock, 29th Jary. 1850.

THE VANSITTART CASE.

To the Editor of the Globe.

he had been in the habit of buying his gro- when he had finished the Senate adjourned. ceries at Mr. Finkle's store," and of receiving the amount of the license in his credits. of the enormous and ruinous expenses heaped as Chancellor Blake and his satellites. Yes their dreams Among the Farmers I found of the enormous and ruinous expenses heaped as Chancellor Blake and his satellites. Yes their dreams. Among the Farmers, I found Parliament stands prorogned to the 27th of that the license should be taken out and the band over £91,000 as a compromise for the piled upon expenses, under pretence of re- of thousands of recorded decisions, a perfect nexation. In fact, none were opposed but It is probably not determined when Parlia- Finkle and Pruyn are well aware that I was 150,000 to £200,000 appropriated by himcovering acknowledged debts, sometimes Babel of confusion, which forms the strong two-penny-half-penny lawyers, priests, and ment will meet; though there are reasons obliged to call repeatedly, and that they alditor to the earth; but we will not enlarge furtrench themselves, with their hundreds of the Vansittart would take out the license, which, ditor to the earth; but we will not enlarge fur- trench themselves, with their hundreds of ted like the dew of the morning. It had no navigation. It is scarce!y possible that the however, he did not do, and it was in the bility get nothing, as he would be very likely ther at present on this invidious subject, as it their calf-bound folioes built up around reality when their pockets were touched. Session will be otherwise than an important month of October that Mr. Pruyn himself paid to decamp in February. is sufficiently notorious to all, and almost them, and boast of their impregnable position. They were getting 25 per cent less for their vinced of the necessity of the case, and the Finkle and Pruyn go on to say that I knew of every one has been sometime or another more But let a new civil code be formed, a new wheat than they could get if they were transreal state of public opinion, we have no doubt the matter six months before the prosecution wanting to illustrate the fallacy of this cry. and simple system of jurisprudence be adopted, mogrified into yankees, and that was a con- that they will find it necessary to introduce a by reference to their books, and that they we think it could scarcely be better shown We will therefore proceed to notice the founded upon principles of equity, when statute sideration above and beyond British protect scheme of financial reform, commencing with supposed it had been neglected as an overother departments of the system which re- law does not bear upon the question, and you tion. They had no loyalty for such protection is the ground on which the now gay and busy through all the departments of the system which require reform and alteration, and these are, will rout them out of their fortress, where tion as this, and one never heard a whisper Presidency of the Conneil ought to be abol- than with reference to 1849, nor did I ever relieved only by a few log shantles. We will firstly:-The Courts of Law themselves, and they have been so long reaping the reward of about that flag which had braved the battle ished altogether, and the Crown Lands Demention or insinuate to them that I was aware not say what there now is, when we state that secondly, the system of jurisprudence practother mens toils, and luxuriating upon the and the breeze for a thousand years and more. partment turned inside out. Whatever min-Law of England, which is adopted as the role den people.

They had no price in, it—not they—they that the question of the Clergy Reserves will commenced, when Mr. Finkle said he thought with trong 100 to 600 guests in attendance. would rather have a dollar for their wheat. be brought before the House, shortly after the it would have been better if I had sued Mr. There was a logic in that, which he who opening of the Session. The question of law Vansittart for the amount of the two year's cay," we opine all will agree. - Dundos War-"ran might read." Wheat too, although reform will be brought up by the independent license, rather than institute criminal proceed- | der. members. We learn from a local journal ings. I may be open to blame for not com-

which he lost just 1000 dollars; and he is but passed. At all events its introduction might for three years. I say 3 years, for the license serve a good purpose, as showing who are in for 1849 should have been taken out before. favor of law reform and who are not; and the Mr. V's. dismissal, and the amount was cre-It has been long the favorite assertion of union which you hear of, both at the South of the Dardanelles. diept some remarks in favor of a modification had of the prosecution was the formal notice at the request of the Inspector General, and | meeting of the Flour Dealers of the city of About a year ago the Globe had independence not be surprised at the result. Mr. Vansiterrors but he had better not try their patience too far. I feel that I have already trespassed too long upon your valuable space but I mus ask permission to notice one of their assertions in the British American which is that some pecuniary matters were hashed up by the credited in his store account with the same

> lam, &c., JORDAN CHARLES. Beachville, 30 Jany, 1850.

WASHINTON, Feb, 6th. willing to abolish the slave trade in the Distriot of Columbia; he thought it was the duty of eaery man in the United States to desist from defending the recovery of fugitive slaves -this was a cause of complaint in both North and South. He introduced a case of Massaprecedents on prominent points, and left it to expensed a declaration of war they average twenty bushels of wheat per referred to Mr. Vansitiari commenced trading of several slave States—none seriously con-

for one moment but we would have for more sight was searching and comprehensive. He shape of duty, on the amonut grown on each certainty and more confidence in the law, if dreaded the acquisition of more territory, and acre. This is the interest on them, value at then as they were in June last when I called the dismemberment of the Republic, after more was left to the equity and integrity of the very agitation that would, and has fol- \$80 per sere, double their present selling on them and requested them to take out their which the new arrangement, would begin our judges. There might occasionally be in- lowed thereon. He had got all the south re- price, and as I said before, this is only one license for 1849. They were then certainly with three confederacies, that of the North, is perpetruted under the existing system. A make void and of non-effect, his whole tahor. It can only be bettered by annexation. Again to corroborate their statement. When I found such would be the result afterwards, perhaps man would then be able to walk with con- But President Polk and his cabinet had other in Whitby and Pickering, within a mile of Mr. Vansittart credited for the full amount of there would be a confederacy of the States of fidence. He would know that if he did what fish to fry, hence the war. That same war two of a fine harbor, to which there are ad- license and fees-£7 12s. 6d-1 told Mr. New England. For the Union he would stand, would become Courts of Justice, and instead all time, to their party, they lost it; and were dollars per acre. The day after annexation for the amount. Mr. Finkle then said dis- To break loose would lead to wars and troubles The Daily British Whig. of being looked upon as a bug-bear, would the means of elevating their opponents to they would be worth from \$50 to \$80. It is the this year nor for the last, but they were made chieftan would arise and run the career of become what they ought to be the natural power, through the instrumentality of General same all over. The man's idiotic, or at all events out and lay in Mr. Vansittart's office," I Napoleon- cut the Gordian Knot and extin-Taylor. So the world goes, whether it be in a monamaniae, who hurrahs for the Queen and turned it off with a smile. He then said it guish the liberties of the people. He implored What good reason can be offered then why affairs of men or mice. So much for us; British protection in view of such facts. But was very singular if it were not so, for Mr. and abjured them by all they held dear in this law Courte of Fanity 2 now for you. I do not think anybody now does that, but that they were so made out and lying in his by all the veneration they had for their an-If it is in accordance with the principles of Your reform government is in a very pretty those whose personal interests demands them office," and wished me not to press the mat- cestors, by all the respect they had from their ter for a few days and he would see Mr. posterity, by the gratitude they had for him Vansittart and get him to take out his license | who showers countless blessings on all, to can it be wrong for the inferior Courts to take Posque'isle and Toronto, and back as far self in time, and make up your mind to be- comply with his request. To show that this taking the disastrous leap into the yawning An attempt was made in a previous paper the same rule for their decisions? Do the as Lake Simcoe, and I found existing a state come one of us, and when you are received is the fact, Mr. Vansittart called on me at the abyss never, never, to return. God preserve

amount, "and he stated to me distinctly that by the President. He spike two hours, and

Mr. Hudson,-Mr. Hudson once so well

That this is no sign of present " ruin and de-

VALUABLE PRESENT .-- We learn that the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly has been notified, by the last mail, that upwards of one thousand seven hundred volumes of Parliamentary Works are now on their way to New York, which have heed presented by order of the Speaker of the House of Commons to the Library of the Canadian Assembly: they include a complete set of the Commons Journals from 1547, in 100 volumes; also a series of the Sessional papers from 1800 to the latest date, containing the whole of the valuable statistical and general information which has been from time to time laid before the House, together with Reports of Committees, Commissions of Inquiry, &c. &c. This is indeed a princely gift.

THE PROVINCIAL CORPS. -- The Commanderin-Chief in Canada has received an order from the Home Government to dishand the the 30th of April, when their term of engagement expires .- Montreal Courier.

THE MEDITERRANEAN. - The correspondent I observe that Messrs. Hincks and Merritt, information thus obtained would serve an ex- dited to him in account by Mr. Finkle, for tain is negotiating with Turkey for the Island will proceed to treat of them together.

You would call it. All those threats of dis- in speeches made at dinners given in honor of cellent purpose at the next general election. We observe that Solicitor General Dinmond Venture of Tenedos, and the right of the passing of

> FLOUR INSPECTION .-- IMPORTANT TO MILfrom the Journal of Commerce, there was a New York for the election of officers for the business. After the reading of the annual report, Dwight Johnson, Esq., was elected President, Philetus H. Holt, Secretary. All the Inspectors belonging to the Association were then unanimously re-elected, and also C. P. Tappan, and Daniel Brinkerhoff, were also appointed, and thereby, the two rivol. Associations were merged into one Board of Inspection, under the title of the "New York Flour Association."

After 1st April next, each barrel of flour is to be thus branded-doing away with the system of "boring and plugging" bbls. when not up to the standard of superfine.

The Association also voted to alter and to change the standard of " superfine," and have two qualities instead of one i. e. number one and number two, and appointed a committee of six, two Inspectors, two receivers, and two buyers or dealers, to select and agree upon may add that it is just such a falsehood as the | what shall hereafter be considered the stand-

> The sentence of death on Jacob Nell, for the murder of his wife, has been commuted to confinement for life in the Penitentiary .--Toronto Globe.

Will the Annexationists explain how we SENATE. - Mr. Clay said that he was always | are to expect Yankee capital to flow into Canada, so as to turn all our water privileges into floods of gold when at Boston money is worth 12 per cent. The Boston Courier says :--

"The street rates for money may still be quoted at from nine to twelve per cent, per annum, with less demand, and a little more ease in negotiations than heretofore noticed."

ims or brocards of general law to form the basis of his system of jurisprudence. He furbasis of his system of jurisprudence has a system of jurisp nished it with a number of supposed cases or he resumed his place in the Senate, how en- of their best and most improved farms. Say to state. The change was that after the time North had quietly allowed the administration I approved a state.