FRIDAY.

NO PLACE FOR AN MAN.

From the time of John Adams until the administration of Andrew Jackson, the cabinet was the steppingstone to the presidency. Jefferson, Madison, Monroe and John Quincy Adams had been secretaries of state. Van Buren, though he had the portfolio of the state department during Jackson's first term, stepped from the vice-president's chair in the senate chamber to the head of the table in the White house. With the single exception of Buchanan, no man since Van Buren's time has been elected to the presidency who had previously served in the cabinet, though Gen. Grant had been in charge of the war department temporarily during Johnson's administration. A number of very able men who had served as cabinet officers were nominated for the presidency. Clay, Crawford, Webster, Cass and Blaine were of this number. and were all defeated. Indeed, for very many years it has seemed as much of a barrier in the way to the White house to have been a cabinet member as to have served in the senate. No man has been chosen president from among the senators, and since Lincoln's time no one has either been nominated or elected who had at any previous time in his career served in the senate. More and more the tendency seems to be toward getting as near the people as possible in choosing candidates for the executive office. The history of the career of cabinet officers for the last half century seems to indicate not only that the office is almost fatal to any higher aspirations, but, most remarkably, has culminated the political careers of ing which precedes the sharpshooting nearly all those who have acted as ad- of the presidential campaign. But visers for the president. If the record the forces of this country are gatherof those who have been cabinet offi- ing slowly for the great economic decers shows anything, it indicates that a seat in the cabinet is the climax of ever since 1816, but which has been the public life of those who hold it. hitherto silenced by the londer thun-Not always, but in nearly all cases, this can be shown to be true.

The historian, George Baucroft, is the only living representative of an administration prior to 1850. Bancroft was an original member of president Polk's cabinet, taking the office nearly forty years ago. It was the reer, although he afterwards repre-Buchanan's cabinet and of Mr. Linthough in his ninetieth year, retains his keeness of intellect and his accu- branch of the government, it is an With the rattle overhead and the baentered. He had been a possible candidate for the presidency in 1860.

Who can tell to-day who composed Andy Johnson's cabinet? Evarts, to be sure, held the office of attorney general for a short time and as a better reward for his defense of the president when Johnson was presented for trial to the senate on impeachment charges, than a cash fee, and Evarts has since served as secretary of state under Hayes, and doubtless regards a concatenation of events as possible in the future which will permit him to deliver an inaugural on the east steps of the capital in March, 1889. But where are the others? McCulloch has been temporary secretary of the treasury again, but only to fill an emergency that occurred during Arthur's administration.

burne is dead, Hamilton Fish is dead. George S. Boutwell is practicing petty law before the court of claims and in the treasury department, over which he used to preside. Ebenezer R. Hoar is practicing law in Boston. His career in the cabinet was such that the senate would not confirm his nomination for chief justice of the supreme bench. Secor Robeson is a political bankrupt and petty lawyer in Camden. Columbus Delano is a farmer in Ohio, Bristow, a New York lawyer, and the only one of them all who has now a place of consequence and honor is Don Cameron, now a United States senator, who for a few months was Grant's secretary of war. Belknap was dismissed in disgrace.

What shall be said of Hayes' cabinet? With the exception of Evarts and Sherman, every one of them has lapsed into obscurity. Even Carl Schurz's whereabouts are unknown. McCrary is a justice in one of the western United States districts; Devens is a state judge in Massachusetts; Key is a United States judge in one of the southern districts; Schurz fizzled as a newspaper editor, flatted as a nugwump and lecturer, and is be- Shuster.

lieved to be earning a humble living in some railway company's employ; Thompson is believed to be earning a living as counsel for De Lessens: lit-\_\_JANUARY 13, 1888 tle Goff, who succeeded Thompson, is a member of the lower house, and a a very inconspicuous one.

Of Garfield's cabinet, Blaine, of course, has a possible future; but poor \$88 alleged to be due. Chas. Kamin old Kirkwood is forgotten except by asks for relief by divorce from his his neighboring farmers in Iowa, and wife, Mary Kamin, alleging that she his neighboring farmers in Iowa, and they are going to try to send him back to congress. Wayne McVeagh they are going to try to send him is practicing law in Philadelphia. Gen. James is a banker in New York. Lincoln is a lawyer in Chicago, and Windom is trying to make a future in New York. He suffered absolute bankruptcy on account of his short career in the cabinet. Hunt is dead.

General Arthur's cabinet has only one representative now in public life. Teller was fortunate enough to step from the interior department to the senate, but with all the supposed influence of the navy department secretary Chandler three times failed to secure election as United States senator, and is now practicing law-one branch of law. Secretary Frelinghuysen is dead, Folger is dead, Howe is dead, Judge Gresham is a United States justice in an important western circuit, and "Brewster, attorney general," practices law between frequent trips to Europe. Frank Hatton is running a newspaper in New York.

It would appear from these records of the career of many cabinet officers that the changes are very greatly in favor of permanent return to private life for cabinet members when they retire from the office. At all events the day has gone by when such office can be used as a stepping stone to the presi dency. Even John Sherman's much vaunted resumption of specie pay ments failed to secure for him a nom ination for president.

In congress is heard the skirmish-

bate which has sporadically appeared der of constitutional discussions. We all feel that the controverted constructions of the constitution have been either settled or are not immitheir non-settlement, and now we must begin to consider those fireside issues of political economy which conclimax of Mr. Bancroft's political ca- cern a nation the greatest in its resources and the most rapidly increas sented the government at one of the ing in its population, of any on the European courts, an honor which he globe. This discussion may go into was induced to accept mainly because the next century, but it must be of the opportunity it offered for histor- opened in this. Before it is over it ical research. Of the members of Mr. will restore the intellectual character of congress, for it will develop in its coln's original cabinet only one is left great occasion the great men who with us. This is Gen. Cumeron, who, are that occasion's instruments. Its though in his ninetieth year, retains call has been made in the executive rate power of judging men and events. swered, and the cry for legislative re-Gen. Cameron served in the senate, it is cruits will ring along the highways of true, for two terms after he retired every state, to be finally answered by from Lincoln's cabinet; but he had the appearance of the men who are to been a senator fourteen years before he go to their places and take up their share of the work.

The late governor Marmaduke, of of the street. Missouri, was a man with a rec ord - a flighting cavalier of the earlier south and of the England of in a last desperate effort to repay the another century. At West Point he kindness shown him, burled himself exchanged shots with a fellow endet, at the advancing horses. One child both dualists exercing uninjuried is brushed aside and the other both duelists escaping uninjured. His second duel was deadly, his an- horses swerve at the dog's attack. tagonist, Gen. Marsh Walker, being shot through the body. Marmaduke fired at the word disconcerting Walker, who set about taking an aim to kill. the stones of the street. Thereupon Marmaduke, on his second shot, fired to kill, and killed. For his grateful remembrance of their kinddesperate charge on a Union battery at Shiloh he was made brigadier on the field, and afterward major-general for services in the Arkansas campaign. He was a dashing solpier, but thoughtful of his men Of Gen, Grant's first cabinet, Wash-He ended his war service in captivity, having galloped into the arms of the federals when conducting the rear guard on the retreat after the defeat received from General Pleasanton in the Missouri campaign. At the opening of the war he resolved to be governor of Missouri, and he was strengthened in his purpose by the wish of his mother to see her son where her hus band had been.

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SOME CIRCUIT COURT CASES

That Will Come Up For Trial at the February Term.

The civil suits for adjudication at the coming term of the circuit are beginning to accumulate. First in the list is a case wherein Wolters Bros. bring suit against Frank Bentilla for ative to his alleged caninity.

Caroline Lousignant brings suit in equity asking for foreclosure of mortgage on property to secure note of \$250 given by Frank Lousignant. G. W. Nutter asks that B. Gallagher be restrained by law from in any manner obstructing the entrance to Vincent's slough, or obstructing the navigation of the same, and prays for an injunc-tion to that effect. Nick Davich, who was convicted in the police court last November and fined \$50 on a charge of assaulting and beating Chas. Savage, asks for a writ of review from the court regarding the case as it appears on the docket of the police court, alleging, among other things, lack of jurisdiction of the court.

The Oregon Pottery company brings suit against W. H. Smith and James Church, asking that a certain conveyance be set aside and that defendants be directed and required to transfer and convey to plaintiff all the potter's clay on the premises in question. Louis Kirchhoff sues J. H. DeForce and I. Bergman to recover the amount of a certain note for \$500. alleged to be due.

D. P. Thompson and H. Oliverson sue the county, and pray that the es-tablishment of a certain road on the left bank of Young's river be denied, and that a writ of review of the entire proceedings in the matter be granted. The Clatsop mill company sue W. E. Warren for the value of 2,471 feet lumber. H. B. Parker sues Wm. Allen for \$1,000 damages, alleging damage of property in defendant's hands.
In a case wherein the Astoria Gaslight company is plaintaiff and J. El-hott Condit defendant, the complaint alleges that the sum of \$14,326.18 is owing to plaintiff from defendant, and judgment is asked for that

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ered more miserably than ever. Two little girls came along and stopped a moment to speak to little doggie," who attempted a little wag of the tail in response. Then they patted him and spoke kindly to him, and so cheered the poor little waif that he frisked about and him. whined for joy. A heavy lumbersome danger nor hear the shout that went out to them from the sidewalk. But the homeless dog did. Springing between the children and the advan cing horses, he barked, his shrill treble rising high above the clamor

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