THE EVOLUTION OF NATIONS. WHEN our national government

was established the most far-seeing statesman knew little of what was be fore them. They possibly foresay our territorial expansion, and dreamed of a time when a hundred million of people should dwell under our fing. But they had never seen a steamboat, a railroad, a line of telegraph poles strung with a single wire, to say nothing of a dozen. They had never heard of coal oil, or lucifer matches, or reapers, mower, gang plows or sewing machines. They would never have believed a fast mai train could cross the continent in five days, nor the lightning flashing under the Atlantic ocean on nine cables. If the fathers of the revolution could look down on this country to-day the great corporations with their immense wealth and power would no startle them half as much as the appliances and men managing the executive department of the United States government. Their confidence in Washington, Adams, Jefferson and Franklin, was so great that they thought it wise to put all the execu tive power of the government into the hands of the president. He was to choose all his advisers, assistants helpers, or clerks, called a cabinet subject only to the approval of the senate. Nobody could have foreseer. the present condition of the various departments of the executive government. The cabinet officers were not provided for in the constitution; they are only the president's hands to de his work. And yet, the fact is, to-day from long usage, each departmen: has become an immense power, and every cabinet officer is a ruler of almost unlimited authority. In theory he is subject to law; in fact he ofter disregards and overrides the law. The rules and rulings of the department. are regarded as higher than law, and if they are shown to be contrary to law, so much the worse for the law The people submit to the arbitrary rulings rather then appeal to the courts. Litigation is expensive and tedious, most men prefer to submit rather than fight. So powerful has all the mass of rules and usages be come that the president's power has become a by-word. Even Grant said he had very little influence with his administration. But presidents and cabinets come and go while the de partments go on forever. The res. rulers are the old barnacles who sticl and control all the affairs of every department. Presidents and cabine officers cannot do otherwise than to refer all matters of executive govern ment to the underlings, and in many instances they have made beautifu es of it. The stories brough back by men having business witl the departments, from time immemorial, have been of the most extraordipary nature. The circumlocution office has secrets more astounding than those of the inquisition. Thsame old conspirators from Jackson's time down rule the national executive departments, and they are the won-

ders of the nineteenth century. A GOOD POINT. LUCY STONE, in the Woman's Journal, says the whole northern country is shocked that in Copiah county, Miss. 8 ppi, and in Danville, Virginia, and many other parts of the south legal voters are systematically deprived of the exercise of their right of suffrage. That this is an outrage that destroys the very foundation of free government, by the people and for the people. It flouts the doctrine of the fathers, that all just government is founded upon the consent of the governed. Then she very pertinently asks how much better is it in Suffolk county, Massachusetts? There more than one half of the governed have never been permitted to assist in chosing their rulers. No miliar argument, simply because it in his career. has not yet been made necessary. If the women should rise and demand chise only by arguments, reason, circuit. logic, and sweet words of persuasion. Men have a rogated the exclusive privilege of breaking them. And though there are sixty thousand more women than men in Massachusetts, men are the criminals in almost every case. But the widest contrast between the people of Copiah and Suffolk counties consists in the fact that the poor and ignorant are suppressed in Mississippi, while in Massachusetts the educated, wealthy class are suppressed. Highly cultured and refined women, paying thousands to the support of the government, are excluded from any participation in electing that government. In one case there is discrimination against

the worst; in the other against the

best in the community. It will re-

quire keen research and profound

reflection to decide which commits

the greater crime against the govern-

ment-Mississippi in excluding the

negro or Massachusetts in excluding

CAUSE OF PROSPERITY.

necessaries of life-its comforts, its conveniences, its wealth - all that contributes to life's development or lissipation, its protection or destruction, are the results of labor; that they are the direct effect of the emdoyment of man's mind and muscle, and can be obtained in no other way. It is equally clear that it is by the ceneral use and consumption by man of all his varied products that the ecessity for exchange and trade is reated-that the avenues to wealth are opened to the non-producing classes; and that it is only by means of labor that all these things can be effected. It then follows that the amount of the consumption, by a community or nation, fixes the amount of its exchange and trade, and that the amount of employment of the people necessarily becomes the neasure of their consumption; that as the employment and compensation of the people increases so will be the increase in their demand for the secessaries and comforts of life, and he trade that comes of prosperity. But that, on the other hand, as employment falls off and idleness increases, with decreasing compensations, their demand for and use of the necessaries of life must correspondingly diminish, and trade be-

comes reduced and demoralized. Manifestly, if these primary principles are sound, it necessarily follows that the prosperity of all interests depends upon the full employment of all, and that idleness is a cancer that will destroy the vitality of every people that permits its growth.

GENERAL BUTLER is thus far shead in the presidential race. The antinonopolists are the only party which has held a national convention, and so is the nominee. This is a great advantage over all the other candi lates, but there is still considerable work before the ex-governor of Mas sachusetts. The anti-monopolists are sumerous and enthusiastic, but they lack a majority of the voters of the country. The total vote four years igo for president was 9,219,947. Supposing there are 947 anti-monopolists Jeneral Butler will be still several millions behind. He is, however, fortunate. He has received what Mr Slaine has never succeeded in obtaining-a nomination. He should offer chromos for anti-monopolists.

A CLEVER essayst in the San Fran iscan argues that in this country no nan should be allowed to have more than \$500,000. So that is his limit Probably if the man that has half a aillion were to fix the limit he would place it a million, the millionaire at ten millions; the gentleman who by he sweat of his and other people's rows has accumulated \$10,000,00 would call the game at twenty mil ions, and so on. A man's pile car usually be sized by the limit of the ante he proposes when the first dea. s being made,

THE surviving members of the convention of 1854, at Worcester, fo he formation of the republicar sarty, propose to have a reunion this summer. The twenty-fifth anniversary was observed at Worcester five years ago, when Hon. Stephen M. Allen, one of the presiding officers of the first convention, wrote an historical address for the occasion.

Universal depression of trade is reported in the English towns devot ed to shipping. Steamers representing a capital of £120,000 are laid up in a single Scotch port, and over 120 ocean-going steamers lie idle on the Tyne and the Wear.

THE sad fate of Sunset Cox should be a warning to public men who assume the role of humorists. He feels that he might have been elected speaker if he had never made a joke Whom the gods wish to destroy they first make funny.

THE fact that El Mahdi, the false prophet, sleeps during the day and transacts all his business at night violence has been used in Suffolk gives rise to the suspicion that El county, to suppress the woman vote. must have been either a burglar or a The shot-gun has not become a fa-chicken capturer at an early period

A EILL has been introduced in the their rights, there is no telling what senate providing for a tenth judicial might happen. So far there has been district, to consist of the districts of peace, because half the voters have California, Oregon and Nevada, and quietly submitted to the outrage, and that the judge of the present ninth have demanded their right of fran- circuit shall be judge of the tenth

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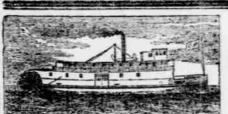
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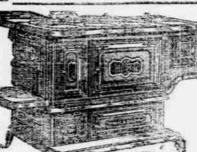
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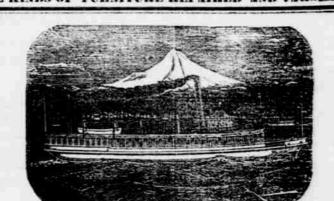
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