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Mr. Sumner's Resolutions.

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The Speech of the King of Prussia. Tur Parliament of the North German Confederation met in Berlin on the 24th ult., and was opened by the King of Prussia in person. The speech read to the Assembly from the throne, as published in THE EVENING TELE-GRAPH of yesterday, is certainly an extremely astonishing document. If we take it for granted that the translation conveys the meaning of the address as clearly as the original did, we think that the auditors must have been highly instructed. The King opens with the assurance that it is "an elevating moment in which I come among you," and proceeds to "thank Divine Providence for having brought Germany towards the object desired by her people." He assures the Germans that the greatness of their ancestors is not forgotten, and lucidly explains the cause of their recent impotent attitude towards the nations of Europe, as being brought about because they "allowed themselves to be deceived by hopes and reminiscences as to the value of the present by ideals as to the importance of facts." To the metaphysical Teutonic mind this may be a satisfactory explanation of the decline and fall of the German Empire, but to us it does not present a remarkably vivid picture of the causes of decay. If, however, it was satisfactory to Parliament, we have no right to complain.

Fearing that he might not have been sufficiently explicit as to the lessons to be derived from the past history of the German States, King William goes more into details, and in the concluding sentence of his paraphrase renders everything perfectly clear. He says:-

"The German movement of recent years has borne no hostlie tendency towards our neighbors, no striving after conquest; but has risen solely from the necessity of affording the broad domains from the Alps to the sea the funda-mental conditions of political progress which the march of development in farmer centuries has impeded.

Here there is a new explanation. It has been the "march of development" that we have to thank for the failure of the "principles of political progress." Of course there is nothing like having new causes assigned to old effects. Draper imputes the success of the Anglo-Saxons to the prevalence of the trade-winds on the coast of England. Gibbon tells us Rome declined because her citizens got too rich. And now we are assured that the German power has been impeded by the "march of development." Unless better translations can be published than that before us, we think that, for a proper comprehension of European politics, all reference to imperial speeches had better be omitted. The true gist of the address is a device to "make Germany great and make the King of Prussia the Emperor of the reconstructed Empire." The unity of Germany means the supremacy of Prussia, Viewed in this light, we can well explain the impassioned peroration :---"May the dream of centuries, the yearning and striving of the youngest generations, by realized by our common work. In the name of all the alled Governments, in the name of Germany, I confidently call upon you to help us rapidly and safely to carry out the great na-tional task. And may the clessing of God, upon which everything depends, accompany and promote the patriotic work." We are told that during the delivery of the address one of the spectators died. We feel no surprise, and only wonder that many brains did not give way when they sought to solve the problem of the "ideals as to the importance of facts," and when all the preconceived notions of political economy were rudely dashed aside, and national stagnation laid at the door of the "march of development."

MR SUMNER introduced yesterday, in the Senate, a series of five resolutions, providing for additional "guarantees" in the work of reconstruction. The substance of some of the resolutions is contained in the Reconstruction bill already passed. The others contain principles which, as separate and independent measures, we should not regard with disfavor. But we are opposed to any additional measures of reconstruction until the plan already adopted has been fully tried. There is no doubt that the confiscation of the property of Rebels would be just, and in accordance with the practice of all nations. But we have a right to forego, for great public ends, the exaction of the full penalty which the strict demands of justice might impose. The vital want of the country is the organization of local governments at the South upon a truly republican basis. If this can be attained, we are content. We are seeking the establishment of great permanent principles of government, as the foundation of lasting concord between all sections of the country, rather than the exactions of the pains and penalties justly incurred by those guilty of rebellion. Hence we would give more for the establishment of universal suffrage at the South than for the enforcement of a thousand confiscation bills. Indeed, we would resort to pains and penalties only so far as may be necessary to secure the reorganization of the South upon republican instead of aristocratic principles. We believe this end will be attained by the Reconstruction bill as already passed. Hence we are glad that the Senate, by a large majority, tabled Mr. Sumner's resolutions.

The New Hampshire Election.

The State of New Hampshire holds her annual election to-day. Three Representatives in Congress, and a full ticket of State officers, including Governor, Senate, House of Representatives, Railroad Commissioners, etc., are to be chosen. The fact that the State is pretty evenly divided, and that the Democrats have been making increased efforts to elect their ticket, lends more than usual interest to the election. The rival candidates for Governor are General Harriman on the Republican ticket, and Mr. Sinclair on the Democratic ticket. The nominees for Congress are:---

Republican. I. Jacob H. Ela, II. Aaron H. Stevens, III. Jacob Benton, Harry Blugham. The following exhibit shows the vote for

the last three elections:---

The preliminary canvass of the Republican State Committee has heretofore been very accurate, varying last year only about one hundred votes from the actual number cast. The Committee has announced that the majority of the Republicans this year, as indicated by the canvass they have just made, will be about three thousand. As the election is in progress, it is useless to speculate further upon the result.

ONE MILLION DOLLARS FOR THE SOUTHERN Poor .- We trust that the joint resolution. which has already passed the Senate, appropriating one million dollars to the suffering poor of the South, will be promptly passed by the House. There is, doubtless, great destitution at the South, which needs prompt relief. The dictates of humanity require that we should extend the hand of assistance. Nor should we be deterred from doing so by the captious and unreasonable spirit which so extensively characterizes the hitherto ruling element in the South-the old slave oligarchy. It is through the machinations of this element that ruin has been brought upon the material interests of the South, and her poor people driven to the verge edge of starvation. It will be a powerful rebuke to those who are continually prating about the cruelty and oppression of the radicals, to see that same class of men appropriating a million of dollars for the relief of the Southern poor. Perhaps it will serve to open the eyes of the Southern masses to the true state of the case. At all events, the starving must be fed, even though they should curse the hand that feeds them. INCREASE IN THE VALUE OF PROPERTY IN LONDON .- In the year 1566 Sir Thomas Gresham proposed to the corporation of London to erect, at his own expense, a commodious building for merchants to meet and transact their business, provided the corporation would provide a convenient and suitable site. The city acquiesced in the proposal, purchased eighty houses which formed two courts leading from Cornhill to Threadneedle street, called New Saint Christopher alley and Swan alley, for £3532, and sold the old materials of these houses for £478. The ground occupied by the present building is about forty thousand feet, and the price would therefore be about 1s, 6d. per foot. The present value of the site, at a low estimate, is at least £20 per foot, or £800,000, being an increase of £2650 per year on an original outlay of £3000. EDUCATION IN INFLAND.-The thirty-second report of the Commissioners of National Education in Ireland has been issued. There were 6263 schools in operation, which had on their rolls 870,401 children, with an average daily attendance for the same period of 315,108 children, and an average number of children on the rolls for the year of 572,486. At the close of the year 1865 the number of schools in operation was 7372. This is a large increase.

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AT A MEETING OF THE EMPLOY-Der. ASTERERS of the city of Philad Phila, beid on Friday evening, 5th Inst., it was Resolved. That hereafter we will not give out piece-work to any member of the Journeymen's Mutual Protective Lision, or in any way encourage them in their stand spainst the Employing Plasterers. GEORGE GORDON, President. J. T. ALLEN, Secretary. 39 35

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Mr. Wilson's Supplementary Reconstruction Bill.

WHILE the Reconstruction bill was under discussion, we called attention to the fact that it lacked any specific directions or provisions for the preliminary steps necessary to organization under it. This was felt to be a defect by most of the friends of the bill, but it was impossible under the circumstances to render the details more perfect. The necessity for specific regulations in regard to the calling of conventions and the holding of elections is already apparent. So long as the matter is unregulated by law, the door is opened to rival attempts by various parties at controlling the preliminary steps towards organizing. State Governments, which already threaten to disturb the public peace and embarrass the whole movement.

We are glad, therefore, to see that Senater Wilson has already introduced a bill, which the Judiciary Committee has agreed to report upon favorably, fully providing for all the successive steps in the organization of State Govvernments under the Reconstruction bill lately passed. Hon. Reverdy Johnson is said to be in favor of Mr. Wilson's bill, and it will doubtless soon become a law. The whole work, in all its stages, will then be subjected to the regulations of law, and there will be no occasion for collisions between rival organizations, or for dispute as to the proper and legal steps to be taken.

MISSISSIPPI AND THE SOUTHERS POOR .- The Provisional Legislature of Mississippi was reported, a few days since, to have appropriated twenty thousand dollars for the defense of Jeff. Davis. If Mississippi has any money to spare, we think she had better appropriate it to the starving poor of the South, in whose behalf the assistance of the whole country is being implored.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

WEST SPRUCE STREET PRESBY-TERIAN CHURCH.-The religious services in the Lecture Room will be continued EVERY EVENING this week, at a quarter before so'clock. Sermon this Evening by Rev. THOMAS McCAULEY, The public areinvited. UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA. MEDICAL DEPARTMENT.-The Anoual commencement for conferring Degrees in Medicine will be held in the AMFRICAN ACADEMY OF MUSIC on THURSDAY. March 14, at 12 o'clock M. The Voledictory Address will be delivered by Prof. Joseph Carson, M. D.

Dean of Medical Faculty. 3 12 24

NOTICE, -THE ANNUAL MEETING Of the Stockholders of the PLUMER OIL COMPANY: will be held at the office, No. 112 5, FOURTH Street, on WEDNESDAY, 13th Instant, at 2 P. M. An election for President and Directors will take place. 39 34° ROBERTM, FOUST Second

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