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## Mechanics,-the-Agents-of-Power. <br> Nations arg powerful in proportion to their productive capacity of things use ful and niccessary; but so far as the niere physical power of inen is concerned, of different countries. The barbarian can endure as nuch toil and fatigue as the civilized nran, and yet's the productive powers of ouf country, in comparison with those of Chiaa, for example, with her $226,000,000$ of inhabitants'; is be her $296,000,000$, of inhabitants, is be youd calculation: Hoiv can we account youd calenlation: Chinese are an industri- for this? The ous and patient.people, and they have every variety of soil and climate, and yet they are weak and powerless in comparisun with a nation having vine times less inhalitants. -There is one thing very evident to us as the ruling element of national power is the ruling element of natonad power enius, tin the production of useful: ma chivery: As a nasion multiplies its tua: dhines, so dues it multipl? its power:Chines, so does it multipl. its power- The great and powerful nations of the present dity, are those which have the greatest number of machines. suiple, in China, the work which we ds ual libor XVithi one steam engine on 100 horse polver, we are able to do a: nuch worl as can be done there by : thousand mien, and a thousand stenm en nine equal to the labor of a million, each, me, With all other linds of machines, the sinue couparisons are equally apporagu This is the way we increase product

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poiver looms, wood planing machines, pover looms, wood planing macheng machines, reapers-none of by whicli we econouise labor, and render our cututry great in power and comforlable in its varied abundance. Every
new machine iuvented to economise labor, therefore, is a public benefit, and hory much ive owe to inventors: without them we have -no reason for supposing or mure civilized than the Chinese, or even ruder nintions.- But with all our machines, countless in namber though
they be, wuch is yet before our inveu: tors to accouphish; have relieved iuan from an incalculable amount of drudgery; which he yet perfurus; not until they plate limi in a still more favorable po-
sition tur his intellectual and moral de-
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tiaual dradgery caised by rude and intinuar dradient machiinery-entightened and re fined though that country is, and full of ingenious artisans.
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ing. is not possible for us to point ouit all the objects to which inventors cai yet devote their energies and talénts in making new conquests of mind over mutter, but thay als shore An inventor gands on the sea shore. A ever presentit should hime "how can 1 best economise labor of any kiud." Hvery person gaius by inprovements ia machis who combiñ so unuct as thuse wechit wachinery, in the business in which they are particularly engaged. : The manutaaturer who make the cheapest and best improved inaghines to econo nise labor, zoon obtaing-a-superior -ou om for his productis, and thus while ho benefits his country by adding to its pro At every Exphibition of Industry,-such as the tair of the American iustitute nor opon in tte Cryatal a ahae,
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