Prince Bismarck's Position.

It has been recently announced that

that Prussia, though the principal state, is only one of nearly thirty states which, combined, form the German Empire. That empire is like the United States in this respect, that it consists of a number of states, each with its local government, which for their common and general interests, are united in a central system.

Before the German Empire was es tablished, as a result of the Franco-German war of 1870, there was no such common political bond between all the German states. When the Empire came into existence. Prince Bismarck was made its Chancellor, or principal executive officer under the Emperor.

But he had already been the Prussian Minister of Foreign Affairs, and the head of the Prussian Cabinet since 1862. He retained this office, and added to it the larger and higher office of Chancellor. He has thus, for fourteen years,

main, the broader ones of guiding the foreign policy of Germany, and directing the relations of Germany with

Prince Bismarck's public career has extended over a period of nearly forty years. He entered public life as a diplomist, and was Prussia's representative successively at Frankfort, Vienna, St. Petersburg and Paris. During the twenty-two years that he has been at the head of the Prussian ministry, he has accomplished greater things as a statesman than has any other man of his

It was he who, step by step, carried

head.

But in glancing over this long and conquering career, we cannot fail to re-mark that while Bismarck has done everything to make Prussia and Germany great and strong, he has done little or nothing for the political advancement of the German people.

longed to and led the so-called social party, he has always been despotic and aristocratic in his opinions and his policy. He has been a devoted servant of the crown, and has in every way striven to strengthen and to increase its percent of the has been a comparatively easy task for him. since the respect and love of the Germans for their old Emperor is almost unbounded.

It may be well, therefore, that Bismarck's retirement from the Prussian ministry will leave the way open for more liberal statesmen in that kingdom to propose and carry reforms which will give the people a larger share in, and enable them to exercise a more direct and potent influence on the government of the country.

Similarity of Names.

One of the odd things in a great city is the number of people who have similar names, from which amuseing and often annoying experience are apt to result. To say nothing of John Smith, when one John Brown or William Robinson gets married, dozens of other John Browns or William Robinsons receive letters of congratulation, and if one of the names applies for a divorce, all the others wonder if the applicant is the man they knew. This is the time the wives of such gentlemen receive numerous calls from their friends, all of whom think of course, it could not possibly be their acquaintance, but that they will feel more comfortable if they go and see about it. It may even happen that a very prominent citizen who never took a pin from any one, or could bring himself to kill a fly, takes up his morning newspaper, and reads his own name as one associated with burglary or suspected of murder, and it may be assumed that the paragraph would make him feel decidedly uncomfortable. Then it is he realizes what is a name, and thinks he would prefer the perfume of the felony to be attached to some other than his own.-Traggart's Philadelphia Times.

Col. Thomas H. Hunt, treasurer of the World's exposition, died in New Orleans, aged seventy years.

The Grand Lodge A. O. U. W.

The grand Lodge of the Ancient Order of United Workmen convened at Workmen hall. Prince Bismarck has retired from the st. Paul, on Tuesday, the 6th. There were head of the Prussian Ministry, and will 150 present, representing 87 different lodges. henceforth devote himself exclusively to the duties of the German Chancellorship.

In Order to understand this change of official position, we must remember master workman, grand recorder, grand re-ceiver and representative from the supreme lodge. There were at the last meeting of this lodge. There were at the last meeting of this lodge 3,039 members, out of which number twenty have died. There has been \$40,000 insurance paid during the year. The expense of collecting and disbursing this money \$4,000, nd the expense for the year to each member,

An appropriation was made for a deputy to visit lodges in the jurisdiction for the purpose of increasing the membership. No special effort will be made the ensuing year to increase the number of lodges, it being considered advisable to concentrate all efforts to increase the membership in the established ones. It was decided that under the constitution members over fifty years old cannot be received decided that under the constitution members over fifty years old cannot be received into this, from another jurisdictions. Grand lodges of other jurisdictions have decided this point adversely. The grand representatives to the supreme lodge were instructed to urge a graded assessment according to age. An effort was made to make a graded initiatory fee, ranging from \$3 to \$25, according to age, but this failed. The capitation tax for the expenses of the grand lodge was fixed for the ensuing year at \$1 for each member. The expenses of this session was \$911.

Following is the list of grand officers elected for the ensuing year:

for the ensuing year: Grand Master Workman, D. E. Vance of Wicarried the burden of these two offices, conducting both the local affairs of the Russian Kingdom and the broader policy of the German Empire.

At the age of sixty-nine, and with far from robust health, he now rids himself of the cares, perplexities and annoyances of the less important post, and will confine his energies to the interests of the imperial government, which are more to his taste.

His duties as Prussian Minister compelled him to settle the details of measures and administrative acts applicable to the kingdom alone. His duties as Chancellor are, in the main, the broader ones of guiding the

A Sensational Murder Case in England. London Special cable: A terrible tragedy in high life is reported from Devonshire. Mr. Hugh Shortland, a rich barrister trom Australia, had been spending the past few mouths in that county enjoying a vacation. He made the acquaintance of a Miss Dimes, the daughter of a wealthy country gentleman and connected with some of the most aristocratic families, and proposed marriage to her. Mr. Dimes, however, objected to Shortland's attentions, having heard objected to Shortland's attentions, having heard some disreputable stories about his habits, which Mr. Dimes was convinced were too much those of a dissipate and profligate. Shortland, being elevein address and skilled in intrigue, managed to induce Mr. Dimes to postpone a final decision until he could be convinced that his impressions were erroneous and thus maintained his entree at the residence. Taking a hearter of the more things of sales. It was he who, step by step, carried the power of Prussia from that of a kingdom of the second rank to the height of European ascendancy. His was the bold spirit which inspired the wars with Denmark, Austria and France, each of which added to Prussian influence and glory; and to him, more than to any other, was due the successful revival of the German Empire.

When he became the head of the Prussian ministry. Austria was the leader of Germany, although the States were independent. He first broke the power of Austria, then organized the North German Confederation, and finally brought all the states of both North and South Germany, excepting Austria, into a single Empire, with Prussia at its head.

Por the Aid of Gen. Grant.

Washington Special.—Senator Edmunds left the chair of the vice president Wednesday to offer a bill to place Gen. Grant on the retired list of the army, and in a brief speech alluded indirectly to his financial failure, which was announced in the papers. He said he hoped Even when he had nominally be-longed to and led the so-called social wanty he has always been despetie and

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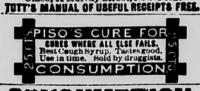
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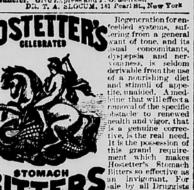
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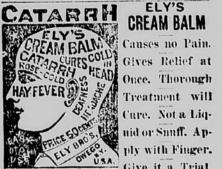
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