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The entire number of persons employed in manufactures in this country in 1890 was 4,712,622. The number reported as enjoying a rise in wages is over one-seventh of this aggregate, and the total number of those whose wages have been increased is fully one-fourth. If all these received the same average wage as that paid in all manufacturing industries, and their wage is somewhat higher, their yearly pay is about \$500,000,000, and the recent advances mean that they are receiving this year about \$1,000,000 a week in increased wages.

But when this increase comes to be analyzed it is found to be altogether in trades that enjoy the benefit of a foreign market. The iron and steel boom rests on foreign orders. There would be today no advance in prices and no increase in wages if it were not for the great foreign orders in rails, iron pipes and bridges, in machinery and in advanced iron and steel manufactures of all sorts, which have raised our exports of iron and steel to \$82,774,958 in 1898, calendar year. This was \$20,000,000 more than we exported in 1897, \$34,000,000 more than we exported in 1895 and four times the export of ten years ago. All cotton mills show an increase of wages for the same reason. Cotton exports in December last were twice the exports in December the year before, and this proportion is being maintained month by month. Copper mines increased their wages, and these in 1898 exported \$6,100,000 more copper than in 1895, while the exports of manufactures have risen almost one-half.

There is not a single advance in wages which is not accompanied by a great increase in exports, due to a policy of expansion by which labor will benefit as fast and as far as new markets are secured for the products of American industries.

**EVILS THAT NEVER COME.**  
At every stage of events in the Philippines prophets of the dismal order present the dark side of the situation. They never seem to be discouraged by the collapse of their predictions. No sooner is one phase of affairs cleared up favorably than a fresh chapter of dismalism is opened. Three months ago they insisted that it would take an army of 50,000 men to drive Aguinaldo's army out of its works, says the Globe-Democrat. But 10,000 proved enough. Then expenditures in the Philippines were estimated by opponents of the treaty at hundreds of millions a year. The real figures are quite moderate, with some revenue as an offset. Even the annexation of Hawaii drew forth a warning that it would be necessary to maintain there a strong army and fleet. A few soldiers sufficed and the presence even of one cruiser is not required. There has been talk of a spirit of revolt in Cuba and Porto Rico, but all that has happened is distinctly discouraging.

A favorite assertion of the pessimistic class is that the Philippines can not be quieted for years. But the change for the better within two weeks has been remarkable. The natives will be given all the home rule they can maintain successfully, and many are finding out that they have no reason for further fighting. The calamity prophet will not down, however. If there has been anything reassuring in his nature he would have quit after the presidential campaign of 1896. That was truly a culmination of dreadful forebodings of universal ruin if the gold standard prevailed. Yet the decision to stick to the 100-cent dollar has been followed by one of the greatest eras of national prosperity. Those who are gloomy in regard to the Philippines will draw it mild if they care to be warned by their uniform failure to make a true forecast of American progress.

**Governor Roosevelt** will probably be looked upon as a broken idol from now on by the professional reformers. In a recent speech the governor expressed a very positive dislike for this class. The difference between Governor Roosevelt and the professional reformer is that the reformer is practical while the other is

not. One uses the means at hand to fight evils in a practical way while the other stands for a theory, ignoring conditions and environment. The governor accomplishes results while the professional reformer more often plays into the hands of the vicious than he helps the good. One deals in idle platitudes while the other works. One Roosevelt is worth more to the country than the entire collection of theorists and impracticals.—Omaha Bee.

The Arkansas anti-trust law is making considerable trouble. About a dozen corporations have been sued, the amount of each being \$10,000. Among other alleged trusts are the express companies. The lynchings combinations have not yet been tackled.

The final ceremony in the re-establishment of peaceful relations between the United States and Spain took place at the White house at 2 o'clock Tuesday. The next thing we want is peaceful relations with the Filipinos.

ARRANGEMENTS are already under way by the enterprising bus men of Elmwood for the district Grand Army reunion to be held in that town July 25. A big time is anticipated.

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**The Youth's Delia.**  
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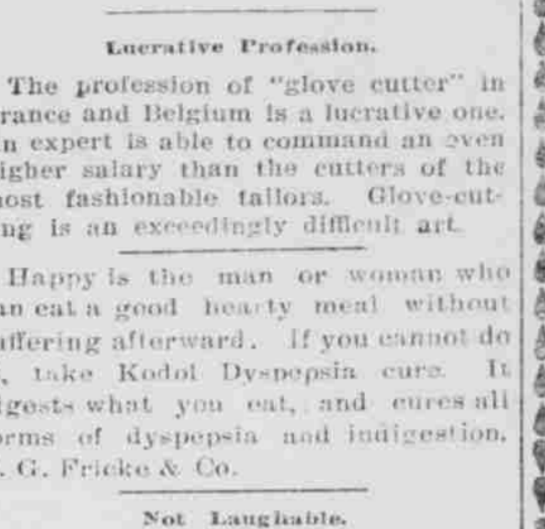
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