For a Nice Suit of Clothes.

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Now while so much is beng said and written in regard to expansion or imperialsa, have been pleased to term it, I think this an opportune moment in which to say a word in defense of expansion.
Through countless ages there never that achieved any degree of power has not bettered itself by grasping everything possible, and whether or not they were the embodiment of good, it has been one of the most potent factors in the spread of civilization. Just now, when the two great Anglo-Saxon nations are strug fanetical and narrow-mindet people to supplant semi-civilization with the To supplant semi civilzation with the the world bes yet striking example of what Kome did vaded England, and when she in vaded England, and what Englani when she laid the foundation for our own great country.
The United States has often been condemned by many of her own
citizens for her actions in regard to Cuba, Porto Rico and the Philip pines, particular!y the latter,
account of the bloodshed entailed in the subjugation of the Tagal tribe, who comprise one-fifth of the popuJation.
Anyone who gives utterance to try's poliey certainly shows traces of a diseased brain, for were the Islands not thrown into our hands. by unforfare? Were they not in themelve lare? Were hey not in themselve a very riciurion to our a valuneeds in the way of a malry needs in the way of a naval ren-
dezvous, and commercially? Had they not been poorly governed an oppressed, and did not America offer them a better government than they
had ever dreamed of? Does any had ever dreamed of? Does any sane person think it possible for the
Malay race to offer suggestions to the United States in the way of democratic form of government?
abaudon the Philippines after loosing 10,000 men, and spending a large amount of money, and leave ten millions of people in the clutches of
fanaticism? Every American should protent. And more than this, behind 31 all there is a principle; an example $t 0$ eet. Tradition shows that our own grent country has never yet been baflied by circumstances, and our mare danger tan now, blen the Tagal tribe, seconded by a Tagal tribe, seconded by a few "anties" within our own borders,
aceall it. Let us go back to the time when the Spanioh controlled the Islands, When the thumb-serem and stocks were in evidence; when everyone
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