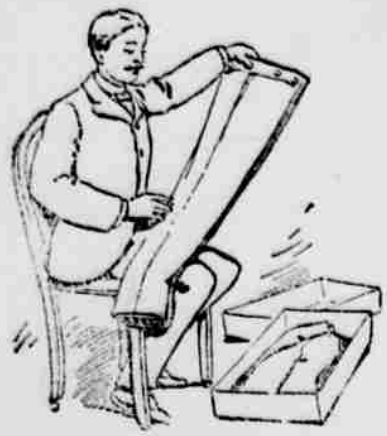


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### ITS DEMORALIZING INFLUENCE

Arnold White writes with a strain of extravagant expression, yet there is truth in his terrific arraignment of English society. He charges the "smart set" with hideous vices and shameful lack of honor, and asserts that government, the public service and the army have been enervated by these demoralizing influences.

"Legislation, foreign policy and taxation are not settled in parliament. The real decisions are made in the smart drawing rooms in the season, on Sundays in the country houses, in boudoirs and restaurants. Smart women without character, men without self-respect and a government that is too philosophical, effete, pre-occupied or exhausted to see that England's greatness is slipping away from her, are the allies of this infamous confederacy."

Something of this sort the United States experienced during the lobbying days after the civil war, says the Review. Adventurers and adventuresses gathered at Washington, and shameful influences were exerted to push private claims through congress, secure appointment to post tradeships at army posts, and in various ways enrich individuals at the expense of the general government.

There are, of course, varying degrees of social demoralization; but at best, "society," in the narrow meaning of the word, interferes with the attainment of true success. A young army officer may enter society and find there the influences which will advance him in rank, but never the influences which will make him a better officer. Social influences may push him toward a colonel's commission, but since his time is largely taken in social distractions, he can not, with all his promotion and seeming success, be as capable a soldier as the subaltern who avoids social demoralization and occupies his mind and his time with the close study of his duties.

In times like these, justice plays havoc with rank and reputation. Officers who have been advanced beyond their deserts, are rudely shaken from their high positions, and hard-working officers who have been slighted and denied their hard-earned rights, advance with surprising rapidity.

The government side in the British parliament, in a recent division, carried 352 votes, the opposition having only 139. There is no possible question now as to the vigorous prosecution of the South African war. England has undertaken a task from which she dare not recede, at least for the present, and the repre-

sentatives of the English people declare by their action that there will be no turning back.

The mills are open, the mints continue closed to the free coinage of silver, and the wage earning industries are prospering. The state of the iron industry has always been considered as an indication of the extent of business prosperity. The manufactures of iron in the United States during 1899 far exceeded that of any previous year and the output of pig iron was 13,620,703 tons, an increase of nearly 2,000,000 tons over that produced in 1898. The contracts now in the hands of the manufacturers and prospective demands for supplies for contemplated improvements of various kinds will require an enormous increase in the output of pig iron. It is predicted that the demand will require at least 50,000,000 tons in 1900. Yet this prosperous condition actually exists under a gold standard in spite of assertions and predictions of free silver politicians.—Union.

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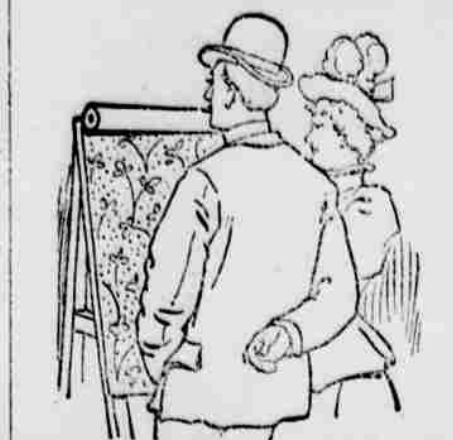
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