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some whent growers of other kinds of erops to replac raisipg by some wheat growers of other kinds of erops to replace
commoatties now lmported. The growing of more sugar beets
sind nax is one of the proposals constidered." Fid nax is one of the proposals consldered."
Does the reader realize what that deve
oita legitimate limits, would do for Salem to its legitimate limits, would doo for Salem \&
It Would make Salem a great eity
Item would become the Belfast of the New Worl
Salem wore
There would follow the building of beet sugar
hire, and that would help. This would, be certain There would follow the building of beet sugar factor
hire, and that would help. This would , ,e eertain, beea
sigar beets can be produced in the Willamette valley with
high sugar content; as good as can be raised in the best distri of Germany- Big thing would be the development of the fla But the big thing would be the development of the flax
industries here, and this would lead to the production here of
the $\$ 00,000,000$ annal importations that now come into the
United States from foreign countries for linens and other manuUnited States from foreign countries for linens and other manu
fentures and by-produets of flax. It would do more thate this
Ie would result in the building up here of an industry that
would export flax products; it would beeome a hundred million would export flax produe

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in the Willamette valley that is now ide. There is no ind instry
in the world, the world, outside of the mining industries that mounts to
nech proportions from such mall aereages of land employed
unning to $\$ 2,000$ an acre in the finer linens at present prices, The usher for laces,
The linens áre increasing enormously with the de-
Thionth lopment of air navigation. Nothing else is suitable for the
ings of airplanes; nothing else is strong enough. und a
The United Stam such a
hinted at in the Associavernmed Press dispateh of yesterday from The United States government, under a program such as
is hinted at in the Associated Press dispatch of yesterday from
Whashington, could very quickly induce the full development of
Whe Alax ind instry here. It is already ender way; and there are
findieations of some ambitious undertakings in this line to come ahout soon.
The sucessfal pulling of flax by machines is helping to
open the way. If the United States government will follow out the lines
said by the dispatches of yesterday to be under consideration,
there wil not for long be any complaint of an over production
of wheat in this country. On the contrary, we will ere long be

## $\frac{\text { obliged to import wheat. }}{\text { wo colowisp polt }}$

| no colonist polioz <br> $t$ has been 25 years since fate or circumstances or ill-fortune upptine fisiands, Porto Rico and some other things. The first of thete other things was a colonial government without any formuiated colontal polley. In the elapsed, no colonial polley has been developed. <br> There is a reation why we have not addressed ourselves to a col- nothr policy. We tiver expected $t 0$ need one for any length of time. There has been no thought in the Phillpplites would be let go the moment they were ready for seit moment they were ready dor seef ment-on that point. The only disshan be. All also want it to be quickly. <br> There is no use in our developTng a temporary polleg. We have fuat gone on with our good intentions and helped the Fultinos the beat we could. They have not Always been appreclative. Some roedy for selt government: others tunity. In the meantime General Wood is attung on the lid, wattIns patientily tor those people to realize thelr responsibility and pecept it in the splrit that would We have held Porto Rico without any colonial polley also. One ought to be developed there beceniee we will hold that island. <br> THOSR GOOD OLD DAYs <br> No matter what the trouble is todasy, when it becomes yeaterday today becomes unimportant when It le yweterctay, and then it be- | Identification, Thus is it with those "good old days of our dadthose "good oldiey were today we complained bitteriy ailune in having to live through them, but when they foined the procession rowness and littleness and meanness and became tinally glorious. eism. It is said in commendation. One of the finest services time performs for us is to take that keen edge off the things of today and paint them dirferentiy when they take their places in the prothey take their places in the pro- cession of yesterdays. <br> It will be possible if you liye In tifty years hear it referred to as the good old days. No matter what your trouble may be today, the sharp edge will wear' oft and the hardness of the bad day wil fade by imperceptible degrees until it loses its hideonsness and becomes actually pleasant. It is well that this is true. It makes Hfe so much pleasanter. <br> none indirpendient <br> We have Just read an article which aays that everybody fixed their own prices but the farmer. chalienged. But tits not true. No- supply and demand is the only price fixer which has any standIng. This does not always work, Sometimes abnormal condtions intertere temporarily, but in the long run old supply and demand long run old supply and demand does the work. Many people think merchants fix thelr prices. They do not. They buy their goods at a certain price and then add their percent. Many, many tumes the goods do not move. Then the price has to be re-lixed. Fineily the patronip of the store indicate at what price must mark bits goods accordingly. Some people think a bank tizes |
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