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THE PHILIPPINE BALANCE SHEET.

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At the end of two years of benevolent assimilation the New York Evening Post kindly volunteers to post up the books for Major McKinley, the latter being too busy with the ship subsidy steal and the proposed Cuban perfidy to attend to the matter himself. The account is really interesting, and it is worth careful study. As presented in a balance sheet covering two years it affords a graphic illustration of what ambition can do in the short space of twenty-four months. Here it is:

WILLIAM MCKINLEY IN ACCOUNT WITH THE UNITED STATES.

To one archipelago \$20,000,000
To benevolently assimilating the same, 730 days at \$750,000 a day . 547,000,000

a day 547,000,000
To, expenses able negotiators Paristreaty 220,000
To two islands which able negotiators

thought they had bought

\$20,000,000 By two years' exports to Philippines, say \$3,200,-000, profit on which at 12 per cent. is. \$384,

\$567,322,000 384,000

100,000

Profit and loss . \$566,938,000

However, this adverse balance is perhaps set off by that "favorable" balance of which the Major boasts as a proof of our unexampled prosperity. But let that be as it may, the money side of the question seems to be rather against us. Nor is this all. There is the loss of life in battle and as the result of disease incident even to a "Christian" war. According to the official report of the War Department the casualty account stood thus at the dose of business, January 30, 1901:

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Deaths to May 16, 1900	1,847
Deaths to May 16, 1900. Killed reported from May 16, 1900, to the date of the Presidenti election. November 6, 1900.	. 100 🦠
Deaths from wounds, disease and accident, same period.	408
Total deaths to Presidential election. Killed reported since Presidential election	
Deaths from wounds, disease and accident, same period.	145
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Total deaths	. 2,590
Wounded since July 1, 1898	2,399
Total accualties since July 1808	

Just how many little brown men, with their women and children, we have slain as an offset to this does not appear in the official records, but more or less authentic accounts place the Filipino dead at about 30,000. Perhaps another item may also be worked in as an offset to our casualties, namely, the destruction of Filipino homes, churches, hospitals, schools and other heathen evidences of the need of benevolent assimilation. But no one can tell what this destruction has footed up, yet the total must be something glorious, if not in pesos, at least in the anguish of women and the terror and suffering of little children driven by our Christian warriors into the swamp and the jungle and mountain fastnesses from their burning homes.

The Christian world has been horrified at the wholesale murder of the Boers of South Africa for the accomplishment of one of the most gigantic robberies in the history of the world, but the acts of the McKinley administration To murder and robbery the most have been worse. infamous treachery has been added. We accepted the Filipinos as friends and allies: we used them in the conquest of Manila from the Spaniards; we made them promises of self-government through our official representatives, and then when we thought that we could dispense with their continued services we made upon them a war of extermination, destroying not only men in arms, whose right to resistance was unquestionable, but also noncombatants, women and children, hundreds of whom have been benevolently assimilated on the points of United States bayonets.