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thousands of young children, indirectly, but not less really, to a less intense but more lingering agony and woe.

## INCREASING WEALTH OF THE FEW, IN TREASING POVERTY OF THE MANY.

Of course we shall be told that these illustrations are taken from the older lands. But we reply, we admit that on this side of the Atlantic we have broader areas; we are not under an ancestral shadow in the same degree, and evil conditions with us are less acute; but we cannot but note that with us, too, the concentration of property into fewer and fewer hands has been going on, till in the United States one-third of one per cent. of the population own 20 per cent. of all the wealth, and 8.97 per cent. of the population own 51 per cent. of the wealth, which means that nine per cent. of the population own 71 per cent. of the wealth; while the remaining 91 per cent. of the population own only 29 per cent. of the wealth; and in the wealthy class there are nine whose aggregate wealth amounts \$3,000,000,000; and there are fifty men in the