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# Why Not?

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Chauncey M. Depew says that “no labor organization can succeed whose only object is to diminish hours and increase the wages.” Why not? Corporations have succeeded whose only object was to increase hours and diminish wages. By that policy they have grown fabulously rich, so rich that they can pay \$50,000 a year to a President.

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