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incentives to induce them to work. Why should the Indian be expected to plant corn, fence lands, build houses, or do anything but get food from day to day, when experience has taught him that the product of his labor will be seized by the white man tomorrow? The most industrious white man would become a drone under similar circumstances. Nevertheless, many of the indians are already at work, and furnish ample refutation of the assertion that "the Indian will not work."

There is no escape from the inexorable logic of facts.