

LIVE FOR SOMETHING.

Live for something, have a purpose,  
And that purpose keep in view;  
Drifting like a helpless vessel,  
Thou canst ne'er to life be true.  
Half the wrecks that strew life's  
ocean.  
If some star had been their guide,  
Might have long been riding safely,  
But they drifted with the tide.

We Would Like to Know

When Col Robert Harlan will get that promised promotion?  
When does the local Afro-American council resume its sessions?  
Why not a few Negro teachers in the Philippines and Porto Rico?  
If the Negro press isn't grinding out some "hot stuff" these days?  
Is there another Grover Cleveland hidden in the tariff reform wood-pile?  
Why cannot the insurance folks down at Richmond kiss and make up?  
When will Judges Terrell and Hewlett get their turn on the police court bench?  
What did Tillman say to Editor W. D. Johnson in that interview last spring?  
How can the miasma of "lily-whitism" be blown out of the Southern States?  
Isn't it about time for the recurrence of Col. James A. Ross and his diamonds?  
Is Charles E. Hall still engaged in sitting up with the Hopkins Senatorial candidacy?  
Why so many Negroes have a burning desire to do business with the police court?  
Is there any truth in the rumor that Messrs. Fortune and Peterson have agreed to disagree?  
If the colored voters of Illinois are not disposed to give Senator Mason a "show for his white alley?"  
Why not a training school for barbers—one of the most artistic callings known to modern science?  
Will Prof. Lawson repeat his pro-Catholic speech that created so much comment a year or so ago?  
When will a Negro be named for a judgeship in the Philippines or elsewhere in our insular possessions?  
If the stock of Horace Boies hasn't taken several points upward since the self-immolation of Speaker Henderson?  
Why Senator Pritchard cannot find time to answer a very polite letter written to him by The Colored American.  
Will Edmond Deas be permitted to win his fight for the recognition of real Republicanism in South Carolina?  
Why some of our editors will do "big talking" on curb-stones but are afraid to say it out loud in their columns?  
If there does not seem to be a rising tide in favor of giving one Charles Warren Fairbanks a trial in the White House?  
Wonder if Speaker Henderson will yet prove to the satisfaction of all that he knew enough to come in when it rains?  
If the Administration will not discover by and by that it is blundering in withdrawing the Negro troops from the Philippines?  
Why you presume upon your intimacy with the doctor, lawyer, dentist or editor to delay the settlement of that money you owe?  
Is there one Negro newspaper in the country sufficiently supported by Negro money to live twenty-four hours, were Caucasian aid withdrawn?  
If the blame for the Birmingham panic will be charged to Booker T. Washington by the Boston Guardian and its District of Columbia echo?  
Is there to be an extensive Catholic propaganda among the Negroes in the South, led by Archbishop Ireland and his newly-ordained colored priest?  
Will the Catholic Church and the powerful influence of the Vatican be the next theory advanced as a solution of the race problem in America?  
Why presumably sensible young men will try to ape wealthy whites by putting up a crisp \$5 for a "swell" entertainment of one evening's pleasure, clad in swallow-tail and patent leather,

and be shy the price of a breakfast the next morning?

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