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Upholding the Mayor's Hands.

Richmond had a sensation when Mr. Carlton McCarthy first introduced himself as a real live Mayor, who proposed to exercise his powers and do his duty as chief executive.

Roosevelt and the Monroe Doctrine.

In December, 1902, when certain European powers were having trouble with Venezuela over the collection of claims against that republic, the Richmond Times said: "The question, in fine, is this: If we are going to maintain the Monroe Doctrine, if we are going to protect South American territory against foreign invasion, we must necessarily hold ourselves responsible to a degree for the conduct of the South Americans."

The American Democracy.

"When I became discouraged over political conditions in the United States," said Mr. Seth Low, during his recent visit to Richmond, "I read American history."

Joint Committee on Progress.

"Co-operation for Richmond" is to be at once the battle cry and the object of the Committee on Progress. Richmond has every opportunity to become one of the great cities of America, and it only needs a pull all together to make that possibility a fact.

have not done so? The answer is to be found in the conservatism, the common sense and the democracy of the body politic. The theories are beautiful in themselves; but theory is one thing and practice is another, and the American people are sensible enough to draw the distinction.

Authors' Pay and Authors' Reputation.

It is interesting to note that the four thousand dollar prize offered by a weekly periodical for the "best" short story has been won by a writer whose name is quite unfamiliar to modern readers.

The Fiery Test.

(Selected for The Times-Dispatch.) "As a wise master-builder, I have laid the foundation, and another bulwark thereon. But let every man take heed how he buildeth thereupon."

A New Sort of Trust.

A unique trust has been formed in the State of Maine. It has been customary for the Legislature to call upon the different ministers without regard to denomination to invoke divine blessing at the opening of each morning's session.

Jasper's Science.

A negro club in North recently had a spirited discussion on the subject of the earth's shape. One of the speakers delivered an eloquent oration, in which he claimed that the world was square.

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