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THE WONDERFUL SOUTH.

Indications are that the Southern cotton planters will take \$100,000,000 more out of their crops this year than last. It is impossible to lay too much emphasis on what this tremendous fact means to the South.

Not in cotton the whole story of an amazingly growing wealth by any means. Exactly the same conditions exist in the orange groves of Florida, where the output is expected to reach 9,000,000 boxes this year.

There is no magic behind this leaping prosperity. The driving power is very evident. Southern farmers are learning how to farm. They are learning to use fertilizer, and more fertilizer, and yet again fertilizer.

The most inspiring thing about this growing wealth is that it is created new. This wealth of the South is not artificially "made" by tariff sleight-of-hand. It is not "earned" by stock-jobbing or get-rich-quick schemes.

From all over the South come stories of peace and swelling plenty; of abounding optimism and confidence; of the recognition of vast possibilities hitherto hardly dreamed of.

It is not many years to wait now before the Southern States will be the investment center of the Western hemisphere. To develop our rich planting and farming lands, to keep our spinning and factory wheels going, to build up steamlines to haul our tremendous products, there will come pouring in a stream of money gathered at the four quarters of the globe.

which the State owns and which it sends on visits of half a year through rural Virginia, are read with interest wherever they are stationed. The 10,000 books in these libraries were read last year by more than 25,000 persons, scattered everywhere, from Accomac to Alleghany.

When it is remembered that these books are read where there is little literature, and when it is recalled that only standard works are sent out, the service rendered the people by these libraries is almost inestimable. Each one is an intellectual lamp that spreads its light through an entire community.

The report of Special Accountant Crenshaw on the City Tax Collector's office was received in silence by the Common Council and forwarded to the Aldermen without action. The Aldermen will receive it next Tuesday night. They ought to do something with it.

The Mayor has said that the incident of the four checks involved a clear violation of the city charter. This is a matter, it seems to us, which should hardly be ignored. The Mayor has said further that "if there was any interest paid by the bank on the \$2,000 during the period it was illegal in the Collector's hands, I shall certainly see that it is paid over to the City Treasury."

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of other duties. Let the Times-Herald suppose them to be moved up or down as best fits its argument. Lumber is considered here separately, and for the best of reasons. Lumber is a distinct and separate item in that list of expenses which the ordinary consumer—the married store clerk, say—who has nothing profitable to sell, must pay for his home.

Let us say, arbitrarily, that there are 1,000 buyers of lumber in America to every one seller of lumber. In the case supposed above everybody can see at a glance that the thirty Democratic Congressmen have promoted the welfare of the one seller. But the Times-Herald seems to suggest that they have also promoted the welfare of the 1,000 buyers.

Of course we did not want some pretty bulky tax in 1777 when our total was but seldom indulged in. In Jackson, Miss., Vardaman called on the President. No casualties.

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On this bright November morning, a good many candidates are still sadly figuring how much they are out on cigar money.

Borrowed Implies

THE AFTERMATH
The agony is over. Pains and friends are under cover. Some are pleased and some are sorry. Some are joyful, some are sad.

The "I told-you-so's" are telling How surely they were spelling Just how everything would happen. With a few exceptions, the victors, the betters, who are losing, in a state of mind confounding, "What had I said who had predicted it? Who had seemed so sure as sin."

Very Grievous. Senior Partner: "Keep a sharp eye on that fellow. He's afraid of the firm." Junior Partner: "He's not living extravagantly." Senior Partner: "Well, I passed him in the street yesterday, and he was smoking a cigar that didn't smell at all bad."

Unimportant Difference. "So he pressed my singing?" "Yes, he said it was heavenly." "Well, something like that. He said it was unearthly." "Lippincott's." "How can I get the boys interested in percentages?" inquired the new teacher. "I don't know," replied the veteran average," advised the wise old pedagogue.

First Aid to the Injured. "Pa-pa—where's the shoe horn, quick?" "I don't know. What do you want the shoe horn for?" "My new dress and I can't get it on or off."—Kansas City Journal.

THE OBSERVANT PARAGRAPHERS. English newspapers opposed to the government are pointing to the sale of the broad acres forming part of the Drayton Manor estate, as an illustration of the results of the Lloyd-George budget.

OUR LEGAL UNCERTAINTY. Labyrinth of Legal Caution Difficult to Pass. The uncertainty of legislation in our Federal system is illustrated by Judge Maxey's opinion in the United States District Court of Texas, that under the Federal employers' liability act an injured person must sue in the defendant's home State.

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Gets His Name on Account of His Good Nature and Im-mense Mines.

SIR ROBERT PEEL AS HE IS Grandson of Famous Premier Has Played Ducks and Drakes With His Estate.

BY LA MARQUESE DE FONTENAY. SIR ROBERT PEEL, who has just succeeded from the Liberal party, in token of his disapproval of the government, has been playing ducks and drakes with his estate.

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THE ELECTION RESULT A LESSON. But it is clear enough that it is important that a score of men not waiting in qualifications to represent it in Congress, and it is not our part to direct the choice of aspirants.

STATE PRESS. The Fourth District has in the ranks of its aspirants a score of men not waiting in qualifications to represent it in Congress, and it is not our part to direct the choice of aspirants.

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Daily Queries and Answers

Address all communications for this column to Query Editor, Times-Dispatch. No mathematical problems will be solved, no coins or stamps valued and no dealers' names will be given.

"Hoch der Kaiser." Please be so kind as to print the verses known as "Hoch der Kaiser." W. G. JONES. Limitations of our space are such that we cannot reprint verses. If you will mail the original manuscript, we will probably secure a copy of these verses if in print.

Can you tell me where I can get a photograph of a young man in a newspaper? Leon Ling, the murderer of Elsie Sigel? I. H. JONES. I have been seen since he committed the crime of murdering Elsie Sigel. Frequent reports were published that Ling had been seen after the murder, but these were of doubtful authenticity.

Will you kindly publish in your next issue a definition and explanation of "Darwinism." N. C. A READER. Darwinism is a name generally given to the biologic teachings of Charles Darwin, and particularly to his theories on evolution. It is a name given to a system of thought that all forms of living organisms have been derived or evolved from a few primitive forms of life.

When will the centenary of the Italian patriot, Mazzini, be held? B. T. K. The centenary of the Italian patriot, Mazzini, will be held in Rome, Italy, on September 22, 1910.

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The centenary was held last year, June 23. Physicians in the United States. How many physicians are there in the United States, and how many medical schools are there? PHYSICIAN. The last published statistics give the number of physicians as 135,221, and the medical schools as 114. These figures include our colonial possessions.

What is the outstanding stock of the Canadian Pacific Railroad? R. A. K. \$112,500,000. Annual Milk Production. To what extent is the annual milk production of the United States? M. S. No recent figures are available, the last being those for 1900. These give the production as 7,728,583,530 gallons.

How many blind persons are there in the United States? SUBSCRIBER. About 45,000. What is the percentage of suicides to the whole population in Paris, Berlin and in Rome? What city has the largest number of suicides? B. S. 12 per 100,000 in Paris; in Berlin, 36; in Rome, 8. Dresden, with a suicide rate of 51 per 100,000.

Is there any Italian consul in Virginia? M. P. Yes; Arturo Parati, Norfolk, Va. Virginia's Representation in Congress. How long has Virginia's representation in the House of Representatives consisted of ten members? What was the largest number Virginia ever had in Congress? VIRGINIA. Virginia's representation has not exceeded ten since 1881. In 1810 Virginia had twenty-three members in the House of Representatives.

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Voice of the People.

George Gordon Battle a North Carolinian. Editor of the Times-Dispatch: Sir: The issue of your paper contains a deserved tribute to George Gordon Battle, who was barely deflected in the recent election for the office of District Attorney of the city of New York.

Your editorial is timely, and the words of praise bestowed upon the "brilliant Virginian" (sic) by no means overstate the ability of this young Southerner, who has in his adopted home won the affections of a host of friends by genial and kindly manners.

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This "Safest for Savings" Bank Gives Small Depositors Special Attention. Small depositors, those who need the service of a strong bank for checking or savings accounts, are given special attention here. This is the strongest national bank in Virginia.