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THE BUILDING OF THE PLANT.

In his statement published yesterday afternoon Engineer E. W. Trafford seems to take the ground that the electric water pumps have nothing in the world to do with the electric plant.

We may hope, however, that the little oversight about the poles, wires and lamps will not prove typical of the whole work.

Now we can understand perfectly why the Council made this absurd oversight. The Council knows nothing in the world about electric light plants.

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flames are rarely put out until they have licked up a lot of valuable property. It is a season when the utmost care must be taken.

A reader of The Times-Dispatch in this city, Mr. S. T. Beveridge, writes to us to suggest that Virginia farmers should prohibit hunting on their land until the drought is broken.

CONSERVING AND CONSOLIDATING EDUCATIONAL ENERGY.

Waste has always been the unfortunate aspect of plenty, and education has not belied the principle.

The Education Conference, which begins its sessions to-night in this city, is such an agency.

While the various papers read before the conference will doubtless inspire and instruct, they cannot accomplish the greatest good.

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which has, indeed, done remarkably well and won on every point. The defect is clearly in the Sherman law, not in the Department of Justice.

It is a fact that the people are interested only in practical results, and care mightily little for technical successes on points at law.

THE WILD ANIMALS OF ROANOKE.

A down-with-the-fences campaign was started not long since in Roanoke and quickly attained large proportions.

Cows graze upon the same, and if an effort is made to drive them off, they take a parting shot by grabbing some favorite rose bush or shrub.

THE MERRY MUCKERS.

The chestnut is disengaging," says a forest expert. Evidently, this man does not attend the musical comedies and society dramas.

STATE PRESS

Football Too Fatal. We have always advocated most ardently all healthful and legitimate sports, but when such pastimes degenerate into mere fights, a good thing would be to put a stop to them.

Is Proud of Governor Swanson. In speaking of Governor Swanson, while in Richmond, President Tarr said the people of Virginia knew a good thing when they saw it.

Building Up Fredericksburg. We have already had occasion to refer to the splendid structure to be built on the Normal School grounds, which will be followed each year by others, and which will bring about the extension of the corporation towards Row's Hill.

What is a college for? demands a magazine writer. Well, spring it, Mistah Bones, spring it. What is a college for?

It is doubtless well enough for Joe Cannon to have bought a baseball team. What the insurgent country years, however, is to see the old gentleman go in as umpire.

About once a week we stumble on the name of Frederick A. Cook, and then we recall that there was once a controversy or something.

The next bull elephant who conceives the idea of charging Colonel Roosevelt will probably pause long enough to ascertain the colonel's usual rates.

The town of Cherry, Ill., may well rebel at what seems a wholly superfluous stroke of tragedy. Of course, it isn't at all as if the dead men had deliberately tempted fate by playing football.

Borrowed Jingles

HIS METIER. When Henry Sprague was but a lad a crowd came to town, And Henry ran away with it To learn to be a clown.

He tried to study medicine, But he failed to get his head; So thereupon he promptly switched Into the law instead.

Book canvasser he next became; Then sold soap in a store. All told he tried his practice hand At twenty things or more.

And having thus equipped himself In many matters you'll find, And he'll be about to run A correspondence school.

MERELY JOKING.

Do nothing Both Ways. "You say it was your 'double' that stole the chickens, didn't you?" "Tasahuh."

A Helpful Chap. "You seem to have started your Thanksgiving early, haven't you?" "Yes; I wanted to give the other papers a chance to slip before Thanksgiving."

Millitant Maids. "Why shouldn't women vote?" "Well, women don't fight."

Sure Sign of Success. The Model: "How is that friend of yours who went to study in Paris?" The Artist: "Oh, he's getting on famously."

About Due. "Please, mum, there's a lady tramp at the back door." "What does she want?"

Earned His Charity. Loafer: "Can yer spare us a 'penny, workin' man?" "Wotcher want a 'penny for?"

Workingman: "Ever done a day's work in yer life?" "No, gov-nor, cawnt say as I 'ave." Workingman: "Well, yer never done a day's work out of yer job, anyway. Ere's yer 'penny."—Punch.

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Lord Anglesey's Mansion Burned

"Beaudebert," One of England's Historic Residences, Consumed by Fire.

MARQUIS VERY WEALTHY

With an Income of \$700,000 a Year, He is the Catch of Great Britain.

BY LA MARQUISE DE PONTENVOY. BEAUDEBERT'S destruction by fire has proved a cruel disappointment to its owner, the young Marquis of Anglesey, chief of the house of Paget, to which the place had belonged ever since the reign of Edward VI.

Many British sovereigns have been guests there, one of the last to visit being George V. The house dated from the reign of Queen Elizabeth, though it had been considerably added to and altered at the beginning of the eighteenth century, during the reign of the first two Georges, and standing on an eminence, surrounded by a park of several thousand acres, with all its buildings and grounds, it had measured eighty feet by thirty, while its picture gallery was of the same length and about thirty feet in width.

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Vote in General Election. Please give me the official vote in the last gubernatorial election. What was Judge Mann's majority?

Treating Nervousness. Please advise if there is anything a man can do to steady his nerves. Have been nervous all my life. Do not drink nor smoke.

Negro Public School Trustees. To settle a dispute, please tell me how many negro public school trustees are there in Virginia.

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