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FOR THE BOARD TO Ponder.

The newly chosen Administrative Board, so it is said, intends to spend part of the next few months in informal discussion and planning for the good of Richmond. This is a wise policy. It shows a desire to give more than the price stipulated in the bond to the service of this community.

Provisions for the health and comfort of the colored population. There is a crying need for better housing, better sanitation, better recreation facilities for the negro.

A public library. A city auditorium for the use of the citizens and for large bodies that may be invited to meet here.

Playgrounds and other facilities for public recreation. Psychology shows that prohibition from evil is meaningless unless an active substitute for the evil is provided.

These measures are all constructive. They do not include the economy and efficiency in municipal affairs that can be introduced in every department.

A SYMPOSIUM WITH A DISCORDANT NOTE.

The Lodge resolution, amplifying and rendering more explicit the Monroe Doctrine—adjusting it to the more immediate and possible perspective, conditions and developments in the periphery of the doctrine—has been, and continues to be, a prominent topic of discussion with leading British newspapers.

The harmony, however, is broken by what may be termed, in the nature of at least of one discordant note. This comes from the Pall Mall Gazette.

The Gazette notes that recently there has been a suspicion of a tendency on our part to utilize internal disturbances in Mexico and China for the purpose of further territorial expansion.

years Germany has by virtual threatened aggressions sounded the world touching how far, or the basis of that implication, it would be safe for her to go in impinging upon Monroeism.

SOCIETY PUNISHES. The last two members of the Alien clan are being brought home for trial. Virginia justice is not an empty boast.

Yet the real avenger of the murdered men, was no other individual. It was the silent and relentless justice that seems to reside in society itself.

CONGRESSIONAL LIFE INSURANCE.

Almost \$100,000 was unjustifiably expended by the last Congress for unauthorized payments of life insurance to the heirs of deceased members.

THE COSTLY RECALL.

Alameda County, California, has a tax association that interests itself in and studies problems of the cost of local government in all forms of its activity.

may be false in modern civilization, but the strength of soul that believed in it, is a priceless possession and a noble memory for the nation that gave it birth.

It is easy to say that death in this manner achieves nothing; that it were better to give this courage to the struggle of living.

But in the end, his courage is in no wise superior to that displayed daily in our own country. It differed only in being a sacrifice for an abstract ideal.

EXECUTIVE TARIFF BOARD.

One of President Taft's pet commissions, the Tariff Board, like Evangelina's Gabriel, has gone and forever departed.

Sister's Picture.

When sister gets her picture took She looks just like a Gibson girl. She twists her features like she'd squint.

Moose and Booze.

Early in the campaign the story was started that the Colonel was drinking heavily. So persistent were these rumors that the third-term candidate decided that they must be denied.

HOW ABOUT A CONFESSION OF FACTS?

Senator La Follette refuses to be satisfied with the saintly silence of Mr. Roosevelt as to who supplied the money for his campaign for the presidential nomination at Chicago.

On the Spur of the Moment

By Roy K. Moulton

Now for a Good Night. Mother and the girls are back. They've been down at the shore. Residing at the swell resort.

When the Bluegill Are a-Bitin'. When the bluegill are a-bitin' and the bait is in the can, It is then the restless spirit gets its grip in on a man.

Something Coming.

Gosh! us kids is awful good. Mow the lawn and lug in wood. Pick the apples, pound the rugs.

while you'll run across a Democrat

who is a teetotaler," said the man, "but that's about all." It is true that the average Vermonter doesn't resort to the saloon.

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the Colonel from Burlington to St. Albans had the Colonel in view all the time, but they did not see him drink anything if he did he was not a bit sociable.

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traveling companions from New York, chilled to the bone by their cold night's ride from Morrisville to St. Johnsbury.

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of liquor that General Grant drinks and I'd send a keg of it to some of the other generals of the army."

Voice of the People

To the Editor of The Times-Dispatch: Sir,—It is surprising in the extreme that Mr. Greene, of the great and famous Sully Courthouse, whose oratory is equal to that of the trumpets that felled the walls of Jericho, should require a mathematical demonstration of the plain simple fact that three and a half does not equal four.

Abe Martin

A honey-suckle generally lasts till the first of September. The parade is all over it's some folks.

"FALL" AVIATION MEET FOR COLD AIR-PLANES.

By John T. McCutcheon.

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observing as usual," was the final remark of the Burlington critic. Before the Colonel left St. Albans the rumor was being circulated among the crowd that he had punished a pint of brandy on the way from Burlington to St. Albans.

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What counties in twenty-five miles of Richmond have no railway station, etc? Please give me the address of the factory where — is produced.

The notes above are representative of some fifteen a week on which our time and that of the writers is wasted. The first and second have no name signed. The third asks for a trade address which for evident reasons may not be given here.

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QUERIES & ANSWERS

Taxation. A friend has an investment yielding \$20 a year. On this the Richmond city tax is above \$8.

Not as they stand. The total tax levy in Richmond for all purposes is \$1.75 on the hundred dollars worth of real or personal property and \$1 per hundred of any income in excess of \$2,000.

Thirteenth Virginia Cavalry at Appomattox. Please give history of Richmond Light Infantry Blues.

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National State and City Bank

Richmond, Virginia. Deposits, Loans, and Savings. Capital, \$1,000,000. Surplus, \$200,000. Total Assets, \$1,200,000.