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THE VIRGINIAN-PILOT REFUSES TO LEARN.

The writer of the article headed "THE VIRGINIAN-PILOT LEARNING," in the Richmond Times of the 6th instant, would be a first-rate judicial constructionist to reverse the meaning and intent of a constitutional provision...

THE VIRGINIAN-PILOT has not surrendered anything, although the Times asserts that we have surrendered everything, so far as large commercial transactions are concerned...

We did not ask why the basis of currency or money should be gold rather than silver; but why a credit based on production should be so anxious about gold?

What did the President mean by transmitting the Paris Treaty of Peace to the Senate, without a word of explanation, recommendation, or suggestion?

of redemption, or security, more money, of coin, and more currency, but a compensating, or self-regulating, basis, or standard, of value, a coin and other abundant circulating medium for the people...

We would like, however, to have an answer from the Times to our real question, in the sense it was put.

BRYAN-SILVER-1900-VICTORY

We are actually encumbered with supererogatory tenders of advice and assistance. The Washington Post desires us to withdraw Bryan, cancel the platform of 1896, and nominate Southern men on a goldite Republican platform...

The Louisville Courier-Journal, in an article that should have been punctuated with hiccups, urges us to put up Dewey (Republican) and Fitzhugh Lee (Reb.), who didn't surrender at Appomattox; without a platform, standing on nothing, and representing nothing...

Now gratitude has been defined as "a lively sense of favors to come," but whatever may be the feelings of Gen. Joe, the Democracy, as a body, is not gushing and bursting with gratitude of any sort toward Hanna or McKinley...

All of our superserviceable advisers, however, in and out of the party, whether Republican, goldite, or assistant, agree in one thing—namely, two—that Bryan should be dropped and silver buried for 1900. Thanks, awfully! For it is glaringly manifest what we ought to do, when we see what our enemies and their assistants are so eager and unanimous for us to do...

Another gratifying thing is that Bryan is so faithful to the platform of 1896, notwithstanding the urgency of certain of his fool-friends that he should drop our great home issues and take up questions growing out of our foreign or external affairs. The test he has stood, in the midst of this clamor, demonstrates his courage, his fidelity, his patriotism, his statesmanship and his complete fitness as the Democratic leader of the people against all the powers that are combined against the people...

WILL THE SENATE ADVISE, OR CONSENT?

What did the President mean by transmitting the Paris Treaty of Peace to the Senate, without a word of explanation, recommendation, or suggestion? Is this say-nothing policy an indication that McKinley is ready to abandon his own work, or, for some reason, is awaiting further developments, before taking a positive stand before the people on the terms of the Treaty?

was mumm at the very moment when it least became him, and when it was expected of him, to say all he could in its defence and his own. But the small Ohio politician appears in the man on all occasions; and even at Atlanta he spoke as a petty candidate for a petty office, attempting to win votes by blather.

The treaty thus transmitted to the Senate, is at least a curt reference that seems discourteous: "take it or leave it." It certainly does not ask the advice and consent of the Senate; and, as Senators choose to look at it, it is a peremptory demand or order to ratify, or a challenge or dare not to ratify, or amend. The Senate has constitutional rights and powers of advice and consent, which it may construe into something more than mere confirmation or rejection; and it now has a fine opportunity to withhold its consent, and insist on advising. What will it do, in face of this contemptuous transmittal?

Trust: from no trust; as light, from no light (lucus, a non lucendo).

Our weather forecast has proved true, so far: there has been plenty of weather, considering the hard times, and the gripe.

The piety of the Richmond Times reminds one that the buccaneers sometimes kept a chaplain aboard, and that the banditti of Greece usually have a priest.

To contract the currency, and expand every want and evil thereby, is a great achievement; almost as great as acquiring the Malays as a remedy for the colored evil already among us.

The concealed fly on the hub of the chariot-wheel boomed loudly of how he caused that vehicle to proceed—quite overlooking the horses in front. We hear similar boasting to-day in several directions.

It is said that there was a curious and general disappearance of cats and dogs in our large cities during the war with Spain. The solicitude of the War Department to provide delicate and suitable diet for the sick may account for it.

That man in Richmond who received the whole charge of a shot-gun, at close quarters, in his stomach, without having his appetite spoiled, must have a good digestion, if not nickel-plated intestines. He is naturally a success as a belligerent.

Where is the money to come from to meet all these expenses and demands we are incurring so lavishly and rapidly on every account? If our millionaires will not bear their shares, their bonds, incomes, &c., being exempt from taxation, we shall be forced to tax labor and debtors on what they owe.

Hanna will fail in his attempts to impose this embalmed administration on the people next year. The people want something fresher; and they have a growing disgust at a party, or faction, which has to use so much white-wash and other deodorizers and disinfectants, not to mention this embalming process and the Egyptian mummies it may provide for every niche in the government.

This embalming revelation in the commissariat of our army, naturally raises a suspicion that a portion, at least, of the canned goods supplied to our soldiers may have been, not only canned, but cannibal goods. It is a dreadful thought, no doubt, but why not, if there is money in the venture? Doesn't profit sanctify all things, at least to those on the make? And wouldn't it be a restraint on trade to forbid the canning of anything cannibal?

The little mutual admiration circles of Poodle, Noodle and Doodle are very entertaining, not to say farcical. But there is so little fun nowadays that it is rank cruelty to the rest of mankind for anyone to expose Poodle, Noodle and Doodle to public derision. Let them alone to expose themselves; and, really, it is precious little harm that these mutual admirers can do, as they are feeble creatures, competing only in their own feebleness. Let 'em alone!

Who blew up the Maine? A Habana paper now charges a Spanish ex-editor and lawyer (departed sometime ago for Spain), with two or three assistants, as the culprits. That incident, however, was closed by Mr. McKinley when he "referred it to the honor and justice of Spain" before war was declared. If the Paris Treaty be ratified, it will probably be reopened far enough for claims against Spain, on the Maine account, by our citizens, to be paid by the United States.

the Federal government, a confidence game. Lying is its statesmanship; to obtain money, goods, lands, place and power under false pretences, is its policy. Let the Cubans and the Philippines testify; hear Gomez and Aguinaldo; look at those islands—Cuba and the Philippines—and see for yourselves. The victims, surely are as voracious and as much to be believed as the robbers.

It all results from delivering our public affairs into the hands of the large cities and their combines: Commercial, financial, political, &c., and where all are in a fever-heat, conjugating the verb "to make" through all its moods and tenses. Everything is reduced to bargain and sale, speculation, intrigue, chicane, collusion, conspiracy, put up jobs and, finally, force, purchase, bribery, fraud—anything to win, and "make." Commerce, in its proper sphere, and in clean hands, is honorable and beneficial, but commercial politics soon runs from sneak-thieving to piracy.

PEOPLE'S FORUM.

NOTE.—The People's Forum being freely open to all parties, classes, persons, views and capacities, the Virginian-Pilot is responsible for none of the statements nor opinions expressed therein, nor for the style in which they are set forth. The ignorant and uneducated shall be heard here equally with the learned.

THE STREET RAILROAD TO THE FERRY.

Editor Virginian-Pilot: The arguments heretofore adduced for the continuance of the open space, known as Commercial Square, free from railroad tracks, are in most instances worthy the first half of the nineteenth century. This is an age of progress, and the thought should be the greatest good to the greatest number. The idea of keeping "Commercial" Square for a parade ground—once—possibly twice—a year, when thousands come and go annually over the heads of its foot-passengers, and require this accommodation, recognized as a necessity by every city of any pretensions, having an outlet by ferry.

"PROGRESS."

Norfolk, Va., January 9, 1899.

FIRE LOSSES AND INSURANCE.

Norfolk, Va., January 9, 1899. Editor Virginian-Pilot: In your issue of Sunday morning appeared the following statistics in reference to fires which occurred in Norfolk last year:

Number of Fires..... 153 Value of Property..... \$1,216,829 Total Insurance..... 562,800 Losses..... 17,029 The insurance companies took out of this city in premiums in 1897-'98 \$250,000; paid losses, \$17,029; yet in face of these facts claim, or pretend to claim, that Norfolk is not a paying city to them. What do they want, the earth? Yes, more; the full run thereof.

THE GRACE BAPTIST CHURCH TROUBLE.

Norfolk, Va., Jan. 9, 1899. Editor Virginian-Pilot: We, the undersigned, the board of deacons of Grace Baptist Church, desire to state that the article which appeared in your issue of January 6th, is correct in every detail, and the one of January 8th, signed by three non-deacons without foundation and misleading in every sense of the word.

OPINIONS OF THE PRESS.

LABOR OPPOSED TO EXPANSION.

(Augusta Chronicle.) In exploiting India, the British seem to have reduced the unfortunate Hindus to a condition that some of the powerful ones of the earth consider most advantageous for themselves. Consul Patterson, at Calcutta, has supplied the Bureau of Foreign Commerce of the State Department some statistics relative to the cost and means of subsistence of laborers in India that exhibit in a striking manner the extreme economy practiced by the natives.

only one dissenting vote, resolutions against expansion. Thursday evening the similar organizations at Boston took similar action, recording their "emphatic protest against the policy of imperialism now being shaped as the result of a war undertaken in the alleged name of humanity." In some parts of the country resolutions have been passed by workmen expressing the belief that annexation of the Philippines is a part of a capitalistic scheme to bring about a reduction of wages.

THE TROUBLE BEGINS.

(Lynchburg Dispatch.) The news from the Philippines is anything but encouraging to patriotic American citizens. The trouble with the Filipinos has already begun, and no one can tell whether there will be war with the natives or not. The President's proclamation clearly indicates, that unless the Filipinos peacefully submit to military rule, they will be forced to yield by the army and navy.

Whether the natives have assumed that attitude by aid and with the advice of powerful European governments is not known, but judging from their acts and words that seems very probable. It is hardly possible they would resist the naval and military power of this country unless they believed they would be added in case of war.

It is, therefore, very probable that Germany, or some other European power, is backing them up with promises of aid. In this connection it be- comes us to ask is this what our people bargained for when both parties sustained the President in the war for humanity?

If the people could answer this question, the answer would be an almost unanimous no. The American people are not ready for that sort of thing, and Congress should call a halt at once, before we become more and more entangled in the intrigues and diplomacy of the East.

McCOY-SHARKEY FIGHT BY ROUNDS.

The COMMERCIAL CAPE, 50 Roanoke Avenue, will receive a report of the McCOY-SHARKEY FIGHT TO-NIGHT by J. B. F. METZGER.

NOTICE!

The Special Committee of the City Councils appointed to consider the petition of the NORFOLK AND ATLANTIC TERMINAL COMPANY for permission to lay tracks on Atlantic street, Commercial Place, &c., and the petition of the NORFOLK STREET RAILROAD COMPANY to extend its tracks from Main street to Commercial Place, will hold a meeting in the Committee Room of the Mayor's office, New Market street, on THURSDAY, January 12, 1899, at 8 p. m.

NOTICE!

Nathan and Benjamin F. Metzger beg to inform the trade that they have formed a co-partnership, under the name and style of N. & B. F. METZGER, for the purpose of conducting the WHOLESALE TOBACCO BUSINESS in all of its branches, and respectfully solicit your patronage.

CO-PARTNERSHIP NOTICE.

Mr. Herman Hornthal having been admitted to the firm of AMES & BROWNLEY, of 366 Main street, the firm hereafter will be known as AMES, BROWNLEY & HORNTHAL.

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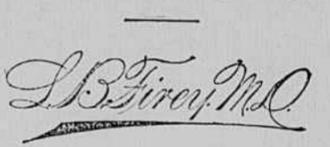
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IT CAN BE CURED!

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