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MAYOR JUSTIFIED IN REMOVING HEALTH BOARD

Mayor Moore's action in removing the board of health and demanding the resignation of Health Officer Calhoun is fully justified on political grounds.

Mayor Moore is the head of the city government. The success of his administration depends upon the harmony and effectiveness with which the officials under him work.

When officials under any executive take action which discredits their chief or other members of the administration, political ethics decrees that their resignation or removal should promptly follow.

The board of health arbitrarily condemned the city jail without giving the mayor notice of their intention. They acted after the mayor had taken action toward finding better quarters for city prisoners upon the suggestion of the board.

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Being made the object of attack which was really directed at their chief, the proper course of the health board was to stand by their chief and take such action as would accomplish the desired reform without serving the ends of the political conspirators.

The abandonment of the present jail is an act which the public in general applauds on humanitarian grounds, but this end could have been accomplished just as quickly without any arbitrary action which places the administration in the position of being forced to do what it was already seeking to accomplish.

Therefore Mayor Moore is fully justified in removing the board, and if any blame is to be meted out, it is coming to see that all public buildings are kept in sanitary condition.

Their final action in condemning the jail was an admission of their dereliction of duty during the years dating back of Mayor Moore's administration, when they allowed worse conditions to exist in the jail without protest or action, and justifies their removal on that score as well as on political grounds.

BUMP TALKS--NO. 8



By Prof. Bumptara. Here is an open-faced cranium, this of Eugene V. Debs--no hat to deceive the eye or confuse the beholder. There are strong traces of a literary bent in the curvature of the conk, which proves that he is a native of Indiana. Hence also his resemblance to Jim Whitcomb Elley. Apologies are due both gentlemen.



the railroads, and has them on his list--Socialist, ha, ha, ha!

WHAT WON'T THEY INVENT NEXT?



On account of the scarcity of false hair, French geniuses have devised wigs and toupees of finely spun glass, which can be colored in any shade, and is of wonderful texture.

How Would You Answer This Problem Love Letter?

Here is a problem love letter written by Geo. to Marie. What sort of a fellow is George? A light-headed, selfish cad, or a foolish youth who may turn out to be a good husband?

I am doing everything I promised you I would, dear Marie. Only one cigar last night (just one) and no drinkables. Forgive the one nail, won't you, dear? You know a fellow can't stop everything at once.

I told the governor that I was thinking of marrying you. You ought to have seen him swell. Honest he did, Marie. He always did think you were a peach.

Now, Marie, I love you, don't I? You love me, don't you? Let's tie up for keeps on Christmas day. What do you say, my dear little kid? All I have will be yours, you know, and I will make you stand in the center of the first row of the society show in this town. Don't let's linger. I am standing on one foot waiting for you.

After these answers have been published, The Star will be glad to receive letters, 75 words in length, addressed "Dear George," from women readers.

How should this problem letter be answered? Here follows one woman's idea:

My Dear George-- Too bad you went to the trouble of telling the "governor" (I suppose you mean your father) that you were "thinking of marrying me," because I have changed my mind.

Blame it on that delirious moonlight spin from the Country Club (I always feel so irresponsible in a motor car), but the fact remains I had no right to give you even a half-way promise. I don't love you--I never shall. Let my excuse be your breezy, optimistic attitude toward life, which quite took me off my feet--and perhaps the vice presidency and that new "shack" on the avenue, and your father's wealth. I am only a girl, you know, and we are taught to demand the highest market price our beauty will bring.

And then you're so slanky. Am I too critical? But think of dying and having one's husband say, "Sting, old girl; it's all to the bad, isn't it?" No matter how deep his grief, those words would rob death of solemnity, even as they take the bloom off love. So I must decline. Your regretful, MARIE.

INQUISITIVE EDWIN

By F. W. Schaefer. "Oh, maw, 'What, pet?" "They've got a new baby over at Mr. Skiddiehop's house."

"The Seattle Spirit" There is no use talking, gentlemen, it has done it for me and it will do the same for you. I'll tell you what to do--just order a case of it, and if you don't get the Seattle Spirit, ask the P. & P. S. B. Co. to explain.

STAR DUST

BY JOSH. Josh Wise Says: "Then th' board uv health needs fumigatin' when it raises a bad odor in th' city administration."

A Plausible Reason. "I'll sell you \$10,000 worth of this mining stock for 50 cents," urges the promoter. "It's the chance of a lifetime. Within a month it will be selling at a dollar a share."

A BIT OF VAUDEVILLE By F. W. Schaefer. "Vell, Oagar, I am readiness for singings. 'Id iss goot dot you ask me, Adolf, because I am der whole cheese in dis performance."

"Excuse me, I thought dis was a saengerfest, nod a cheesefest." "I ask you, dit you pring any moosik mit?" "I had need any. I sing by ear."

ROLLO GOES TRAVELING By F. W. Schaefer. "This breakfast, Rollo, is all to the bumsky," said his father, as he wiped the egg off his chin with the day-before-yesterday's handkerchief.

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you are both too hasty. Go into the ante-room, and I will give you half an hour to make up your differences. The two sulkily retired. "Well, have you decided to agree?" the judge asked, as they were led before him again.

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