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Many a detective is a defective.

A man who is in the public eye may be that "beam" you have read about.

When you make both ends meet tie them together and show others how they can do the same thing.

President Taft announces his opposition to the "soap box primary election." The regulation strong box convention is good enough for him.

Col. Roosevelt says all he wants is a square deal. By George, we thought he was satisfied with his hand, judging from his readiness to be "called" by the people.

It is claimed that 200,000,000 eggs are in the cold storages. At the same time that is no reason why stage struck people should get careless with themselves.

It is said that since the republic has been established, the Chinese women have taken to Paris hats. When the Chinese men receive the bills they will be sure to take to Paris green.

Col. Roosevelt says: "I expect to face a new lie every day." Well, why did he pursue a course in which he would be sure to meet up with a pack of lies?

Says the Richmond Journal: "A Norfolk man has disappeared and is believed to be in Richmond." Probably Norfolk will look on that as merely a case of taking to the woods.

It is said "there are 3,000,000 germs in every handshake." Nevertheless, the politician is willing to take chances. He shakes hands now and later shakes the men with whom he shakes hands now.

It is now predicted that Georgia's peach crop will be the largest in the history of peach growing in the State. North Carolina's peach crop never fails to visit Wrightsville Beach during the Summer.

The Atlanta Constitution tells us that Atlanta is going to have an exposition to show what she makes. Atlanta makes a great deal of noise and she also makes progress. Atlanta can show us the evidences of her progress, but how will she exhibit all the noise she is constantly making?

"It is announced from Colorado that a baby was born in that State with four teeth," says a contemporary. Colorado is old enough to have more than four teeth, but anyhow, whether it is the baby or the State which is showing its teeth, Col. Roosevelt will at once claim that it is a sign that Colorado is for him.

Tendency toward bitterness between the advocates for Taft and Roosevelt for the Republican Presidential nomination, has become so marked that there is serious thought of the National convention finally considering a "dark horse" for candidate, like Chief Justice Hughes, of New York, or Robert T. Lincoln, of Illinois.—Chester (Pa.) Republican.

In view of the government's report on the 1911 cotton crop, given out last Wednesday, we note that North Carolina figures conspicuously in the production of our 16,000,000 bale crop. The Old North State's ginnings have been 1,101,104 bales. That is a top notcher for our State, showing an increased production of 374,254 bales over the State's record production of 726,850 bales in 1910. The State increased its cotton production more than 50 per cent. over 1910, and nearly 100 per cent. over the production of 594,387 bales in 1906. Increased production of about 100 per cent. in five years shows the possibilities of cotton growing in North Carolina, while it must be remembered that the State has not let itself out on that line just yet. North Carolina is going to curtail this year, for she does not care to break a record and get no money for it.

If Locke Craig didn't want to run for Governor he couldn't get out of it. The people have determined to give him the office whether he wants it or not. We are moved to these remarks by reading an interview with Mr. C. W. Tillett, in which he announces himself for the western man. Mr. Tillett is the man who made the Kitchen nominating speech at the last State convention and was one of the big fighters for the present Governor in that memorable convention. There have been many suggestions the past year or two that Tillett himself run for Governor. These, of course, were only suggestions from his friends and it was at no time thought by the public that he would get in the race and he settled the matter definitely some time ago by saying that he would not. He has now placed himself squarely in the Locke Craig column.—Raleigh Times.

OUR BUMPER COTTON CROP

According to the Government's reports from ginneries the South already has ginned the unprecedented number of 16,205,097 bales of cotton for the 1911 season. This includes all styles of bales calculated on the basis of standard bales of 500 pounds each. This report shows that even up to now, the most enormous crop in the history of cotton production can be credited up to the 1911 crop year. It is our bumper cotton crop.

Nearly a year ago The Star estimated the cotton crop of 1911 at 15,000,000 to 16,000,000 bales. Several times afterwards we declared that it was useless to put any confidence in the contentions of those who were claiming that the crop was really short, and that the decline in prices was because the markets were being manipulated. The fact is, it is always a good idea to watch the government reports, first as to acreage and later as to crop conditions and weather. The cotton speculators in New York and Liverpool do that, and when the market begins to get nervous there is a cause for it.

The speculators but read the meaning of the reports about the crop, and they know more about cotton than most of the best posted men in the South. It is their business to keep posted, and, in addition to the government information, they spend money to privately get statistics from various sources in the South. Indeed, some houses send their personal representatives throughout the Cotton States, and no doubt the government itself could get a few pointers from them. The average cotton man of New York can tell most of us more than we know about cotton.

On the 11th of December last, the crop reporting board of the Department of Agriculture, estimated the 1911 crop at 14,835,000 bales of 500 pounds gross weight. This shows that the government underestimated the crop by nearly 1,500,000 bales. Previous to this crop, the record crop was that of 1904, when it was 13,697,954 bales. Other record crops were 13,695,498 bales in 1906; and 13,587,306 bales in 1908. The South's production was but 12,005,688 bales in 1910, the high price year when there was not enough cotton to supply the world's demand. These are interesting figures, and in view of them the present condition of the market shows that a new basis for a normal crop must be increased to between 12,000,000 and 14,000,000 bales. The end of the year, in fact, may prove that the world may readily absorb our 16,000,000 bale crop, especially since it is estimated that cotton consumption has so increased from year to year that the world requires an increased production of about 400,000 bales every year.

Of course, the world is growing in population and the demand for clothing material increases proportionately, so that our cotton growers can always count on a greater demand every year. However, by watching the statistical situation as to demand and production, and always keeping an eye on the cost of production, we can come very nearly telling when we may produce a bigger crop than can be marketed with profit. We will learn a great deal from this 16,000,000 crop, and it will be interesting to observe whether or not we will begin a new crop year with much of a surplus of last year's crop or whether the manufacturers can utilize it in their normal operations. Doubtless there will be a considerable surplus and it is safe to count on its depressing effect on the price of cotton next Fall, provided we have a fairly average crop year. The whole situation as it appears just at present fully vindicates the wisdom of curtailment of acreage this year.

TO HAVE A SENATORIAL PRIMARY.

The North Carolina Democracy will hold a State convention in Raleigh on Thursday, June 6th, and will hold precinct and primary meetings on Saturday, May 18th, to elect delegates to the various county conventions named for Saturday, May 25th. The county conventions will name the delegates to the State convention.

This was decided by the State Democratic executive committee, sixty strong, which met in Raleigh Wednesday evening. The committee also settled the question as to a primary election to nominate a United States Senator to succeed to the Senatorship in 1913. According to a resolution offered by A. W. McLean, Esq., of Lumberton, the Senatorial primary will be held November 5th, the day on which the National election is to be held, while, if necessary, a second Senatorial primary will be held November 26th, with all candidates eliminated but the two receiving the highest vote in the first primary.

That settles it. There is to be a Senatorial primary, so we need not tear our shirts over the Senatorial question throughout the State when it comes to choosing our nominees for county officials and for the State Senate and House of Representatives. The choice for United States Senator is left to the Democratic sovereigns to decide for themselves at a State-wide ballot primary, so in our county and State politics we need not bother our

HEADS ABOUT THE BIG SENATORSHIP.

We are glad of it for we will get enough of the fight over the United States Senatorship without lugging it in all its time comes. We were in hopes, however, that a preferential primary would be held for the Senatorship, for that would have avoided the necessity of a second primary on that question. Nevertheless, it suits us, for the four distinguished candidates are more concerned than any one else whether there shall be a preferential or a secondary primary.

This gives us a chance once more to break it off in the General Assembly for not giving North Carolina a good direct nomination election law, State, Senatorial, Congressional and county. The fact that the people are determined to have primaries, even without the safeguard of law, and to be held only under party regulations, should convince any Legislature that there is no longer any excuse for failure to enact laws regulating nominations in ballot primaries.

RIGHT OF THE PEOPLE TO RULE

Ex-President Roosevelt, at Carnegie Hall, in New York city, on Wednesday night, replied to President Taft's several speeches in which the President has plainly stated his position on what the Colonel and other issue-breeders have lugged into the campaign as national issues. The Colonel fairly "stood forth" and declared that the real issue is "Whether the American people should govern themselves."

Well, in a merely abstract way, we will answer that question and say that they shall, although they do not exactly govern themselves. In fact, they only give their consent to be governed by their delegated representative, but we may as well say that they are determined to keep right on insisting upon giving their consent to be governed, and furthermore will recall their representatives who do not govern according to the taste of the sovereigns.

We will say to Colonel Roosevelt and Mr. Taft that they may as well understand this just as real live Democratic eligibles have taken it in. It shall no longer be government of the people for special interests, unless the people get fooled again like they were under both the Roosevelt and Taft administrations. The Colonel did not insist on the rule of the people when he was President, so he now takes a great deal upon himself when he says he is the only champion of the rule of the people while his opponents are not. He means Taft when he refers to his "opponents," and that is pretty tough on William Howard Taft. It is a true bill, however, and unless the Colonel has changed since he used to rule on his own hook he can be indicted on the same charge.

By the way, in passing, or words to that effect, the Colonel must have noticed what the Republican county chairmen of Ohio have done. On Wednesday they held a convention of chairmen and endorsed Taft. If Ohio goes as the chairmen have gone, the Colonel may as well not count on cutting the sand from under the President's feet in his own State. Insurgent North Dakota also has shown that somebody out there is preferred over Taft or Roosevelt. In fact, things are getting to the point where "something is didding."

Augusta is on the Savannah river but every now and then the Savannah seems to be on Augusta.

CURRENT COMMENT.

Roosevelt has congratulated Amundson, but this does not signify that Amundson will have an opportunity of congratulating Roosevelt.—Jacksonville Times-Union.

By a typographical error the county seat of Carroll was printed "Killsville" in yesterday's Times-Herald. It is a little bit of an error.—Newport News Times-Herald.

With the rate at which the busted Standard Oil Trust's stock is going up Attorney General Wickersham is likely to be deluged with requests to be busted.—Louisville Herald.

It will take a long time for Governor Kitchin to convince the public that the Democratic record of Senator Simmons is as full of holes as is his own trust-busting record.—Charlotte News.

While newspapers are pointing to the assassination of the judge, prosecuting officer and party of the jury at Hillsville as an illustration of a barbarian lingering in the mountainous regions of the South, the sending of an "infernal machine" to Judge Rottas, in New York, which exploded and wounded a detective, is proof that a more insidious and dangerous if less spectacular barbarism lingers in the metropolis of the Republic. In Hillsville and in New York the purpose was the same—to assassinate the court.—Columbia State.

Big Game Tomorrow Carolina vs. A. C. L., 3:30 P. M. Go!—

ASSAULT AT VANDEMERE

White Man Placed in Jail—Sale of Lots—Other Notes (Special Star Correspondence.) Washington, N. C., March 21.—News reached this city today of an attempted murder in Vandemere, Pamlico county, about 50 miles from this city, when a Mr. W. C. Selby, who conducts an oyster business at that place, attempted to kill his wife. From what can be learned, Selby went to his home between 11 and 12 o'clock P. M., and proceeded to quarrel with his wife, with the result that he became infuriated and struck her a terrific blow over the left eye with a lighted lamp. Not satisfied with this he picked up an axe and tried to dash her brains out, but the blow missed her head and struck a glancing blow on the shoulder. As soon as the affair became known Selby was arrested and placed in jail but as there was so much indignation expressed by citizens, he was taken to Bayboro, the county seat, and placed in jail there. Selby has only been a resident of Vandemere for a short while, and has several children. The trouble, from what can be ascertained, grew out of a dispute that Mrs. Selby had with another woman.

One of the largest real estate deals ever made in this city, took place this morning when the Atlantic Coast Realty Company sold the Elmwood Realty Company auctioned off in building lots the large and valuable Fleming property situated on the West End of the city. The lots sold rapidly, bringing good prices, ranging from \$300 to \$1,500 a piece.

The members of St. Peter's Episcopal church of this city, have recently donated to their beloved pastor, Rev. Daniel Harding, a fine carriage horse to take the place of the one he recently lost.

LARGE POTASH SUPPLY FOUND.

Ten Million Tons Discovered at Seales Lake, Cal.

Washington, Feb. 21.—Enough potash to supply the United States probably for the next 30 years has been discovered by government geologists at Seales Lake, Stanislaus county, Cal. The estimate of the Geological Survey and the Bureau of Soils field men was that the deposit may amount to four million tons, but the authorities here from data in their possession, consider that estimate conservative and believe more than 10 million tons of potash is available there.

The great value of the find is that the product is in reality in available commercial form. Potash is known to exist in many places in the United States, but in most cases no commercial mass has been found to use it. Hoyt S. Gale, representative of the Geological Survey, and E. E. Fraze, of the Bureau of Soils, recently took samples from six wells distributed over the salt flat, analysis of which at the Mackay school of Mines, Reno, Nev., revealed the value thereof.

The dried up lake has received the drainage from the surrounding hills for thousands of years, and a quantity of dissolved minerals thus having concentrated in it.

VISITOR'S IMPRESSION

Has A Ward to Say of New Hanover, Roads and Government.

Currie, N. C., March 21.—A short time ago the writer of this had occasion to travel the country road leading from Burgin to Wilmington. It is a source of pleasure to reach the New Hanover line where, instead of the mud and deep sand of Pender, we found a magnificent road leading to Wilmington. We were invited by the keeper of the County Home to inspect the premises and, being a physician and a believer in the proper care of the poor and unfortunate, sanitary and otherwise, we gladly availed ourselves of the opportunity. We found the inmates receiving every care, the home well kept, comparing with the best hospitals. Since that time I have traveled extensively over the coast and between the cities and know of a truth that no county in this State has been better or more intelligently governed than has New Hanover by the present Board of Commissioners. Mr. McEachern and the other members of this board have indeed been faithful stewards of the trust imposed upon them by the city and every citizen who loves his city and country the plaudits of well done good and faithful servant. CITIZEN.

"O, I'm so tired!" Is that your case? Tired all day—morning, noon and night? And do you think there's no good reason? There is a reason. Your system is poisoned with stupefying toxins which nature cannot throw off without assistance. Go to your druggist today and ask him for "B.B.B."—our invigorating Botanic Blood Balm which drives these noxious elements entirely out of the circulation. It supplies the ever-flowing life-current with pure fresh vital blood; wakes every sluggish organ, and imbues your whole frame with new strength and energy. Your money back if "B.B.B." fails to help you. If your druggist can't supply you, write to us. We'll see that you are supplied. Don't lose heart. And don't delay. Seek relief today. The Blood Balm Co., Philadelphia and St. Louis.

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The New Spring Millinery Is in the Styles That Appeal to Every Woman. That is the touchstone of a Style: Is it Becoming?—the question that concerns a woman first of all, and all the time. The New Styles are drawn from three periods—the Flat headgear of Francis I., that offers the Millinery Artists of today unlimited opportunities to vary styles that suggest the familiar lines of the Tam-o'-Shanter, but idealized as the spirit of genius prompts; the jaunty Hats of the time of Louis XVI, with its brim turned up at back, affords inspiration for styles that suit yet other faces; and those to whom neither of the above appeal to, will find just the Hat in some of the many treatments based on the Bonnet of the Directoire period. No lack of becoming styles at Rehder's, and the styles are authentic. Germaine, Suzanne Tallot, Louisan, Paul Poirets, Gabys, Marcelle Alexandra, and others have evolved Hats wearable by women of all types of face and figure. THE DISPLAY IS FULL OF EASTER SUGGESTIONS. Tub Silks, All the New Colors, 27 in. wide, Special, 39c. J. H. Rehder & Co. THE POPULAR DEPARTMENT STORE. Yard Wide Black Taffeta, Special, 59c. THE FIRM THAT PAYS YOUR CARRIAGE.

NORDICA TO ASHEVILLE Will Spend Week or Ten Days in the Mountain Metropolis Asheville, March 2.—Frederic Shipman, of Chicago, manager of Madame Nordica, Madame Melba and Madame Emma, is in Asheville and states that Madame Nordica, who is now on a Southern tour, is coming here April 1st to spend a week in rest and recreation and if satisfactory arrangements can be made she will probably give a concert at the Auditorium, Monday night, April 8th. With Madame Nordica on her Southern tour are Myron V. Whitney, the basso, and Romayne Simmons, pianist, and they will assist her here if she gives the concert. Mr. Shipman stated that her Southern tour includes ten large cities and if she gives the concert here this will be by far the smallest city that she has sung in on this tour. London, March 21.—A Constantinople dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph Company says that the Turkish minister of war announces a great Turkish battle at Benghazi in Tripoli. The casualties on the Italian side are given as 400 killed or wounded.

NEW PARASOLS Just Received, a Large Shipment of Parasols. We have them in White, Black and a Beautiful Range of Colors. New Spring Goods arriving daily. A. D. Brown "THE MODEST-PRICE STORE." Agent American Lady Corsets, Butterick's Patterns and Black Cat Hosiery.

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