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Who taught the busy bee to fly Among the sweetest flowers And lay her store of honey by To last through Winter's hours?

Who taught the busy squirrel how To gather nuts to last, And store them by for daily food, Till Winter days are past?

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SUNDAY SELECTIONS.

— Persistent industry is the best antidote for temptation.

— Happiness is lost by being interepter in its pursuits.

— Success does not depend on your strength, but on your state.

— Accuracy is the twin brother of honesty; inaccuracy, of dishonesty.— C. Simmons.

— It is not occasional brilliancy, but constant shining that tells.— Rev. Floyd W. Tomkins.

— The word "discouragement" is not found in the dictionary of the kingdom of heaven.

— Facts are the fingers of God. To know the facts of modern mission, is the necessary condition of intelligent interest.— Dr. Pierson.

— Order is the sanity of the mind, the health of the body, the peace of the city, the security of the State. As the beams of a house, so is order to all things.— Robert Southey.

— The outlook into eternity, the hope of immortal life, broadens the vision and enlarges the soul. No man can be narrow who lives in the present reality of two worlds, where every thought and action has a meaning beyond the grave.

— To every burdened believer in every age and clime the gentle exhortation of Jesus comes as a source of relief and comfort. "Let not your heart be troubled." A trust faith in the Father and the Son will either drive away our earthly sorrows or help us to bear them.

— The same power that could raise the dead could surely move the stone. Angels rolled the stone when Jesus rose. The same power that raised could also have unbound the body. But here let man do what man can do. God will do all that God alone can do.— Wilson.

— Kinston Free Press: Four negro prisoners escaped from jail at noon Thursday. They are Squire DeGraffenreid, Will Elliott, Joe Jones and Fate Kinsey. The first two were captured and led in jail again. The men were confined in the steel cells, but the main door of the cells was not locked.

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A Star Witness in the Dockery-Bellamy Congressional Election Contest Case.

THE HEARING IN RALEIGH.

His Memory Defective—Could Recall Little Beyond the Fact That He Was Run Out of Town—Other Raleigh News—Supreme Court.

[Special Star Telegram.]

RALEIGH, N. C., April 20.—In taking evidence in the Dockery-Bellamy contest the entire day was consumed by J. R. Melton, ex-Chief of Police of Wilmington. After a look at Melton, the spectators get an inkling of what sort of law and order Wilmington must have had when he was presiding; after a day of Melton's testimony, the spectators thoroughly understand what sort of law and order any city would have that had Melton at the head of the police force. He looks like a moonshiner of long apprenticeship, who had taken a post-graduate course at a small grocery store. His pale, fishy, blue eyes; his protruding under-lip, that looks like the crescent of a half-cooked pancake; his "pidgin" English, mumbled in unending pitch of unintelligibility, unselfish attorney and stenographer were wild—all these make one day of Melton enough for most constitutions; and the only wonder is how Wilmington stood him for so long and finally let him get away. And no living man ever before suffered with such a failure of memory.

On cross examination he became a memoric bankrupt and could not recall most common and frequent occurrences of his official life at Wilmington; even such startling things as fires, fights and riots had left no trace by which they could be recognized when called to his attention. He had never heard of a negro making threats against a white man—they were all orderly, and law abiding; he had never seen one with a gun—only Democrats knew what guns were; there was no fear for life and limb, and property in Wilmington—at least Melton remembered nothing about it. All had gone well until he was run out of town. On that point Melton's memory was of the very best. When he approached his own tale of woe, he grew voluble, knew more about that than ever occurred, or other men ever imagined. But so soon as his official record and matters pertaining thereto became the topic, his under lip dropped loosely down, and Melton forgot. He was eloquent only of the speeding which the departing guest had received. One of the most unique of his many forgettings was in regard to the burning of the small pest-house during his administration. At first the witness could recall nothing of it, had never heard of it. Then, finally, when the name of the house had been given, he suddenly launched into a minute relation of the whole affair, telling how he had gone out to the house himself and tried to prevent the burning. Melton had evidently behaved with the greatest judgment and integrity and the house had been burned in spite of him.

His evidence, so far as establishing fraud and intimidation was concerned, amounted to little, and that despite the fact that the attorney for the contestant took him resolutely by the nose early in the game, and led him a willing if ungainly follower. When taken with a proper proportion of salt, the testimony comes to a Dockery deficit.

Mr. Robt. Burns, of Charlotte, appeared and assisted as counsel for contestant. Examination of other witnesses will be resumed to-morrow.

The Supreme Court. The public printing case was to-day argued before the Supreme Court. The A. & N. railroad cases were docketed in this Court to-day, and set for hearing Saturday.

Smallpox Cases. There are now sixteen patients in the pest house. Two new cases of smallpox were taken there to-day.

Work began to-day on the Ridgeway end of the Seaboard Air Line's Ridgeway-Richmond link. This will be the main line when built. Twenty-five miles of it has been completed in Virginia.

RALEIGH, N. C., April 21.—The evidence in Melton in the Dockery-Bellamy contest was completed this morning, and W. J. Harris was put on the stand. His testimony was of a general character, devoid of names and particulars. Here is a sample: "You state in your answer to my last two questions that Democrats made efforts to intimidate and did intimidate. Now state any acts on the part of Democrats or the leaders of the Democratic party, calculated to intimidate, and which did intimidate, Republican voters?"

Answer—"They just simply said they are going to carry this election, let it cost what it may, and everybody lost their heads in the Democratic party, it looked to me like. And talking about being intimidated, I ain't very big, but long about election time the way they would guy me I didn't feel bigger than my thumb—not only me but everybody connected with the Republican party. I have heard them make different remarks about the chief of police, Mr. Bryan, superintendent of the streets, and the mayor, and in fact any one that was any way inclined to be a Republican."

Bellamy and Beebe had for some time been openly abused, but Dockery's counsel showed annoyance. He tersely told the witness to quit generalizing and mention some specific acts of intimidation on the part of the Democratic party, or leaders of the party. "Well," inevitably commenced the witness, "there was threats made about different ones if they even registered that they would lose their job, and you could see guns carried around. If you had been there, you

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SOUTH CAROLINA HOMICIDE.

A Hand in the Piedmont Mills Killed By An Angry Husband. COLUMBIA, S. C., April 22.—A special to the State from Piedmont says: "Bob" Bridgers, formerly a section hand in the weave room at the mills here, died this morning at 4 o'clock from the effect of a blow or blows of a stick in the hands of Dick Howard, late yesterday afternoon. He went to the home of Dick Howard, a small farmer, one mile from Piedmont, in Anderson county. Thinking Howard's wife alone in the house he made improper proposals to her. She ran to the field where her husband was at work and gave the alarm. Howard at once started for the house to find Bridgers, and meeting him in the yard crushed in the left side of his head with a pine stick. Howard was placed under arrest.

LOSS OF LIFE.

Steamer Whitney Sunk on the Florida Coast—Twelve Men Drowned—Fifteen Others Missing. By Telegram to the Morning Star. JACKSONVILLE, Fla., April 22.—A special to the Times Union and Citizen from Oak Hill, Fla., says: The steamer General Whitney, Captain Hawthorne, sunk fifty miles east of Cape Canaveral. One boat load of sixteen men, attempting to land at Wilmington, Del., in 1873. She registered 1,349 tons gross and 1,106 tons net. Her hauling port was Boston. The New York agent of the Morgan Line is John T. VanSickle. The Morgan Line steamers only carry freight.

ROBBED HIS SWEETHEART.

An Officer of the First Connecticut Volunteers Arrested For Stealing a Diamond Pin. By Telegram to the Morning Star. SAVANNAH, April 22.—Thomas Jennings, who was a lieutenant of the Third Connecticut volunteers, mustered out here a few days ago, is in jail on the charge of having stolen a diamond pin-burst from Rose Decker, a young woman with whom he was in love. The pin is valued at about \$450. The diamonds were found in a pawn shop and the ticket was in Jennings' possession. Every effort has been made to settle the case. This morning the pawn-broker was paid the amount loaned on the jewel. The Decker woman appeared in the police court, but did not wish to prosecute the man. She stated she thought Jennings had intended it for a joke. Judge Hartridge did not like taking the responsibility of dismissing the case and remanded the prisoner for trial.

NO WARSHIPS SENT TO SAMOA.

Denied That German Cruisers Have Been Ordered to Proceed to Apia. EXCITEMENT HAS DIED OUT. Advice from Samoa Received in Berlin. Marquardt, a Prominent German Citizen, Arrested By the British Commander.

By Cable to the Morning Star. BERLIN, April 22.—The semi official North German Gazette to-day denies the report sent out in a dispatch to a news agency in London yesterday, saying the German protected cruiser Gefion had been ordered to proceed to Apia, Samoa, after embarking an extra supply of ammunition at Kiau Chou, China, and that another cruiser was to follow.

BERLIN, April 22.—The Lokal Anzeiger to-day publishes two letters from Samoa, dated March 23d. One of them is from a special correspondent at Apia, Herr von Wolfersdorff, and the other from Herr Marquardt, a prominent German resident of Apia, who, under the name of 'Susa', has written a sensational article in the provisional government, was justice of the peace until he resigned on the departure of Dr. Raffle, the German president of the municipal government of Apia.

The German Arrested. From Herr Marquardt's letter it appears that it was he, and not Herr Hufnagel, who was arrested by Captain Sturdee, commander of the British warship Porpoise, for bearing arms against the British sailors. He says he was taken on board the Porpoise, where, he claims, he was grossly insulted by Captain Sturdee, and that the British warship was in the harbor when no protest against him was advanced, he was transferred to the German warship Falke, but with the condition that he was not to leave her. Herr Marquardt asserts that his property was stolen and destroyed by Malietoa Tanu's hosts, and that much other German property was likewise destroyed.

The writer then asks who will pay the damages? Herr von Wolfersdorff asserts that the British consul, Mr. Maxes, and Captain Sturdee, are both guilty of the gross insult, and in exceeding their treaty powers. He claims they treated the Germans like captives and continued an almost incessant shelling of German houses under various pretexts. His indignation is at its height, and he says that the most intense indignation prevailed among the Samoan Germans against the British excesses. Otherwise, Herr von Wolfersdorff says, he would agree with the German official reports.

AN OUTCOME OF LYNCHING.

Negroes in Saluda, South Carolina, Banded Together to Murder Whites and Burn Their Homes. Excitement Dying Out. The excitement over the Samoan situation has almost died out and the general expectation is that all points at variance will now be amicably and fairly adjusted by the special commission. Some of the leading papers, in their desire for fairness, even print communications from members of the British mission at Samoa, controverting some of the statements of Dr. Raffle, the German president of the municipal council at Apia, regarding the relations of Tanu and Chief Justice Chambers with the missionaries.

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Table with columns for RESOURCES and LIABILITIES. RESOURCES: Loans, \$736,997.99; U. S. Bonds, \$50,000.00; Cash, \$10,000.00; Total, \$796,997.99. LIABILITIES: Capital, \$125,000.00; Surplus, \$67,200.00; Total, \$192,200.00.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT.

April 5, '97. April 5, '98. April 5, '99. Total deposits, \$520,000.00; \$510,000.00; \$580,000.00. Surplus and profit, \$7,200.00; \$7,500.00; \$9,000.00. Dividends Paid—6 Per Cent. Per Annum. Last Instalment of Capital Paid in October, 1898.

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ASSAULTED BY A NEGRO.

The Wife of a White Farmer Near Greenville, S. C., the Victim.—A Possé in Pursuit. By Telegram to the Morning Star.

COLUMBIA, S. C., April 22.—A special to the State, from Greenville, says: Not far from this city the wife of Silas Williams, an industrious white farmer, living on the White Horse road, was brutally assaulted between 5 and 6 o'clock this afternoon by a negro, dressed in uniform, who suddenly appeared in the house where Mrs. Williams was engaged in ironing. The negro seized her and in committing the assault he choked her severely and bruised her right arm. The negro vanished at once and was afterwards seen on the road to Piedmont before the alarm was given in the neighborhood. Williams immediately started to town, and was only a short distance from home when the assault on his wife was made. In a few minutes men were mounted and it was not long until the road to Williams' home was thronged with riders, the number from the city alone being estimated at two hundred, while the neighbors for miles around joined in the search. At 10 o'clock the rumor came that the negro had been surrounded several miles below the residence of Williams. The woods will be thoroughly searched, and the capture of the negro will end beyond question in a lynching.

"William, wake up; there's somebody pounding on the back door." "Don't be scared, Susan, I ordered our new step ladder delivered at midnight so the neighbors wouldn't find out we had one."—Chicago Record.

"Josiah," asked Mrs. Chugwater, "what does this paper mean by 'six Atlantic beauties'?" "Cis Atlantic beauties," echoed Mr. Chugwater. "These are the mermaids! Anybody ought to know that."—Chicago Tribune.

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Men's Working Pants, well made, for 35c. Heavy Jeans Pants for 38c.

Heavy 8 oz. Cottonade Pants, well made, with hip pockets, riveted but tons, full size and good colors, 50c. Boys' Pants—Linen Wash Suits, well made, \$1.00. Fine Madras Suits, heavy weight, nicely trimmed, at \$1.00. Boys' Cheviot Suits from 69c to \$1.25.

Boys' very fine Worsteds Suits, in large sizes, from 8 to 15 years, something extra nice, at \$3.75. Boys' Pants from 4 years to 14 years, at 19c; Wool Mixed at 25c. A car-load of Trunks received. Canvas Covered, 34 inches, 90c. Full Saratoga Ladies' Trunks, metal covered, \$3.00 to \$5.00. Nice Zinc Covered Trunks from \$1.00 up; 26 inches, \$1.00; 34 inches, \$1.75. Telescopes, canvas bound, leather covers, 11 inches, 50c; up to 24 inches, \$1.50. Ladies' and Gent's Grip Bags from 25c up; Gent's Suit Cases, canvas covered, at \$1.50 each; leather covered, \$3.00 each.

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