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SEVERAL ROBBERIES COMMITTED SATURDAY NIGHT AND SUNDAY

Swindell & Fulford's Safe Entered and Twenty-Five Dollars Taken—The Mutual Machine Co. and Southern Bottling Works Visited.

There were several robberies in the city either Saturday night or Sunday. The fish-house of Swindell and Fulford, the Southern Bottling Works and the office of the Mutual Machine Company were entered by parties unknown. At the Mutual Machine Company papers were scattered all over the floor, at the Southern Bottling Works nothing was missed but at Swindell and Fulford at least twenty-five dollars was taken from the safe.

Mr. Col. Davis about 3 o'clock Sunday morning went into the fish house of Swindell and Fulford and on entering the office discovered a money order lying on the floor. This led him to make an investigation. Entering the office proper he found the safe door open and the inside drawers some torn open and the money missing.

Mr. Davis at once phoned Mr. A. S. Fulford the junior member of the firm. He came to the office at once and upon investigation found that one ten dollar bill, ten dollars in quarters and some change amounting to at least five dollars had been taken. This was the amount in the safe when the members of the firm left for their respective homes Saturday night.

The surmise is that the party, or parties entered the building by climbing on the fish boxes piled on the outside of the building and raising a window on the second floor. They have no clue as to the guilty parties.

At the Mutual Machine Company the entrance was discovered Sunday afternoon by Mr. Meekins the book-keeper. The office had been entered and papers scattered all over the floor. The safe had not been disturbed.

Before leaving, however, the would-be thieves took occasion to pay their respects to the typewriter by treating it to a good amount of water.

At the Southern Bottling Works, on Water street the parties entered by breaking the front window. Here an effort was made to enter the safe but without success. The front door of same shows the signs of their efforts.

Quite a number of tickets were found on the floor of the building. Mr. Billee, the proprietor has missed several cups hanging up on the wall. The thieves made their exit through the rear door.

POPULAR COUPLE MARRIED EASTER

Mr. C. A. Little and Miss Ethel Archbell Married at Halifax

SURPRISE THEIR MANY FRIENDS

The bride and groom are popular and have many friends all over this county—will reside in this city—congratulations are in order.

Mr. C. A. Little and Miss Ethel Archbell both of this city to the surprise of their many friends announce their marriage at St. Mark's Episcopal church in Halifax N. C., on April 15, 1911. The ceremony was impressively performed by Rev. Clement G. Bradley, pastor of the church at 2:30 o'clock in the presence of a few friends. Mr. J. L. Capobart of this city gave the bride away.

She wore a handsome traveling suit of tan with hat and gloves to match. Miss Anna B. Clark of Scotland Neck N. C. presided at the organ, rendering the wedding march and the church was attractively decorated, it being Easter Sunday.

Immediately after the consummation of the nuptials Mr. and Mrs. Little drove to the Atlantic Coast Line depot where they boarded the train for this city, arriving here on Easter Sunday night.

Mrs. Little is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Archbell of Bath N. C. and for the past several years has been the efficient and popular book-keeper at the Southern Furniture Co. She is a young lady of charming manner and enjoys the friendship of a large number.

Mr. Little is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles M. Little of Duran and connected with his brother Mr. G. M. Little Jr. in the grocery business on Market street. He is a most popular and energetic young man and has a bright and promising future in the business world.

For the present the bride and groom will board with Mrs. Little's aunt, Mrs. C. B. Carroll on Exchange street.

We join their many friends in extending congratulations and best wishes. May their wedded life be all sunshine and happiness to the end of all.

HEN HATCHES CHICKS NEW WAY

The Gulls Laying Eggs—Born by Another Process.

Dr. H. W. Carter of this city gives us an account of a most peculiar freak of nature he saw while in New Bern last week attending the district meeting of the Physicians.

Daniel G. Rosely, a colored man, who resides at Five Points in the city of New Bern owns a hen that has baffled the medical fraternity. The fowl is three years old and up to a year ago was a splendid laying hen. All of a sudden she quit laying eggs and the owner was surprised when she hatched out a biddle through the skin of her neck, upon investigation it was found that there were three more real live biddies in the body of the hen just under the skin, and when they are mature enough they will pick a hole through the body of the mother and thus make their exit into the world. The hen was exhibited to the doctors at their district meeting. All the doctors were unable to explain this great phenomenon. Merely how has the hen on exhibition at his home in New Bern and quite a number of people are going to see her daily. Not only did Dr. Carter see the hen but also Drs. Taylor, Nicholson and Rodman of this city.

THIRD LECTURE OF THE SERIES

Delivered Before the W. C. T. U. on Thursday Afternoon

REV. R. H. BROOM SPEAKER

At the last meeting of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, on Thursday afternoon, at the Young Men's Christian League rooms, the third of the series of lectures was delivered by Rev. R. H. Broom.

This lecture on "Intemperance of Drink" was highly profitable and was listened to by both men and women with pleasure.

Visitors were present to hear this worthy divine on this great question, and no doubt all were inspired by his earnest words, to nobler endeavors.

Mr. Broom believes in preventative rather than prohibitive measures. Along this line he urged the mothers to refrain from the use of strong drink in the home, and to bring up the children without a knowledge of the poisonous beverage—seeing how almost impossible it is to reform the confirmed drunkard. His remarks were based on the law given to Aaron by God, "Do not drink wine nor strong drink, thou nor thy sons with thee." This, the speaker said, was God's prohibition law, and he called attention to the ages that had elapsed since this law, which was for all the people, and regretted the length of time our people had been in coming to the passage of a prohibition law.

He further stated that he believed there was no strong drink there would be no poor houses, citing an incident in one of our whistler counties, where about one thousand dollars a year was required to support the paupers of the county, besides those in the poor houses.

Barracks and poor houses always go side by side, said the speaker, and it has been demonstrated that no-where water being properly to a community, as has been the mistake view of a great many of our good people.

The next speaker to address the union will be the Rev. Mr. Hope of the Christian church, and it will be worth the while of all our members to be present to hear what we know will be something good, from this speaker.

THE ADDISCO BOOK CLUB MEETS

Held a Most Interesting Meeting Last Friday.

The Addisco Book Club met at the home of Miss Josephine Whitney, Friday afternoon. In the absence of the President, Mrs. S. H. Fowle, Miss Janie Myers presided. The roll call was responded to by quotations from Scott, "The Wizard of the North."

Delightful sketches were read by Mrs. Herbert Bonner on Barru, an novelist and playwright who we will all remember as the author of "The Little Minister, the sweet story most of us have read."

Ian MacLaren, who wrote "Bliss the Bonnie Briar Bush."

A collection of such sweet stories, a feeling of pathos fills one after reading them.

Delightful souvenirs were presented to each member present, booklets with a quotation from Sir Walter Scott, on the inner page, while on the outside was painted the flag of Scotland and the national flower "the thistle."

Delicious refreshments were served in a charming manner by Misses Beulah Conroy and Isabel Carter. The members present were Miss Janie Myers, Mrs. Herbert Bonner, Mrs. Justus Randolph, Mrs. W. D. Grimes, Mrs. J. D. Grimes, Miss Sallie Wiswall, Miss Bettie Harvey.

WON THE GAME

The Central B. B. Club Outpoint the Tigers in Game.

On last Saturday the Central B. B. Club defeated the Tiger B. B. Club to the tune of 34 to 13. The game was interesting and exciting from start to finish. These embryonic ball players bid fair to become artists in their line of work on the diamond.

Has Returned Home

Mr. Alonza Whitford of Craven county returned to his home on yesterday after being confined in the Fowle Memorial Hospital for a period of four months. Mr. Whitford went through the ordeal of two operations. His many friends will be glad to know that he has recovered sufficiently to return to his home. Before returning to his home he spent a week with his son, Mr. Bryan Whitford.

HANDSOME HOME

Mr. A. D. MacLean Now Preparing to Erect Impositing Residence

Work started last week removing the present residence of Mr. A. D. MacLean at the corner of Main and Pearce streets, preparatory to the construction of a handsome and modern home.

When completed this residence will be one of the attractions of the city.

DR. E. M. BROWN IS CHOSEN SUPT.

Was Elected Superintendent of Health Today.

The county board of health consisting of Dr. D. T. Taylor of this city, Dr. C. C. Jackson of Yatesville, Mr. W. L. Vaughan, custer superintendent of schools, Mayor C. H. Sterling and Mr. F. H. Von Stearns, chairman of the county board of commissioners, met today in the court house and selected Dr. E. M. Brown of this city, county superintendent of health for the ensuing two years.

Dr. Brown succeeds Dr. P. A. Nicholson who has held the position for the past two years. Dr. Brown is one of the city's capable physicians and will fill the office with credit and ability.

Whoever has missed one of the series of lectures has missed a treat, and it is to be regretted. Let there be a full attendance at the next meeting.

W. C. T. U.

MEXICAN ARMISTICE ENDS AND PEACE IS AS FAR OFF AS EVER

General Madero and His Insurgent Forces Rapidly Preparing to Pursue Revolution Vigorously—Mexico City Astounded by Failure.

El Paso, May 6.—All the revolutionary leaders, with the exception of Dr. Gomez, were in conference tonight with Senor Braniff one of the go-betweens in the peace negotiations. Senor Braniff made a list appeal to them to prevent a resumption of hostilities.

The conference adjourned at 10:30 o'clock. It was announced that it had been without result.

Senor Braniff is said to have told the revolutionists that the government was disposed to grant everything demanded provided they would make it possible for President Diaz to retire decorously and without the humiliation of a public statement. Some of the rebel leaders declared in reply that the conditions of the country was such that nothing but a public statement from Diaz would appease the people.

Judge Carbajal in an interview tonight declared he was still optimistic about peace.

Washington, D. C., May 6.—Continued fighting in Mexico between the Diaz and Madero forces is not the only thing to disturb the situation. It is strongly suspected by those who realize the tottering weakness of the Mexican government that the hostility to Americans which is giving so much concern to our government is

being stimulated, or certainly not discouraged, by the Diaz regime in a policy of desperation. If a government must fall, it often prefers to do so as the direct result of conflict with another nation rather than by the prowess of internal opponents.

No doubt there are many Mexican officials who would choose armed intervention and even annexation by the United States with eagerness if the alternative should be the triumph of the revolutionists. It is this fact of human nature—that fraternal foes are the bitterest when once they do fight—which the Washington diplomats have to bear constantly in mind.

Mr. Taft is determined that he will not be pulled into war or intervention by any mere Mexican trick or by the desires of any American interests, which would like to see us take on some more territory to be exploited at this time. Irritating conduct is therefore ignored in the case of Mexico when under average international conditions serious resentment might be exhibited. There is no danger that the world will entertain any thought that Uncle Sam is frightened by the excited gestures of bombastic conversation of his flustered and somewhat bifurcated little neighbor.

VITAL QUESTIONS TO BE CONSIDERED

The Unification of Methodism is Object of the Conference

CONSIDERED BY METHODIST

A Joint Committee Representing Three Big Branches Are Now in Session at Chattanooga—Has a Total Membership of Seven Million—Meeting of National Import.

Chattanooga, Tenn., May 6.—Beginning tomorrow and continuing to May 12 the joint commission will meet here to consider important questions.

Under different names there are nineteen separate denominations of Methodists in America, and the total membership is nearly 7,000,000. The twenty-seven commissioners who will meet here next week represent about 5,000,000 Methodists. They were appointed by the Methodist Protestant church—the Methodist Episcopal church South, and the M. E. church to consider the question of unification through reorganization.

Nine commissioners as follows, have been appointed by each of the three churches.

Methodist Protestant Church—President T. M. Lewis, D. D., Westminster, Md.; The Rev. M. I. Jenkins, D. D., Pittsburg, Pa.; the Rev. D. G. Helmick, D. D., Weston, W. Va.; the Rev. C. D. Sinkinson, D. D., Atlantic City, N. J.; S. R. Harris Henderson, Gr.; W. N. Swift, Adrafa, Mich.; J. J. Bargo, Atlanta, Ga.; J. E. Peterson, New London, Iowa; the Rev. Geo. Schaffer, D. D., Pittsburg, Pa.

Methodist Episcopal Church South—Bishop A. W. Wilson, Baltimore, Md.; Bishop E. E. Ross, Nashville, Tenn.; Bishop Collins Dewey, Nashville, Tenn.; Rev. W. J. Young, D. D., Danville, Va.; Rev. F. M. Thomas, D. D., Louisville, Ky.; Rev. C. M. Bishop, D. D., Wichita Falls, Texas; Judge W. L. Walton, Woodstock, Va.; President R. S. Hyer, L. L. D., Dallas, Texas; W. B. Stubbs, Savannah, Ga.

Methodist Episcopal Church—Bishop Earl Cranston, Washington, D. C.; Bishop J. H. Walden, Cincinnati; Bishop L. B. Wilson, Philadelphia; Rev. J. T. G. Jones, D. D., Baltimore, Md.; Rev. G. A. Hodder, D. D., Berea, Ohio; Rev. W. C. Evans, D. D., Harrisburg, Pa.; B. T. Miller, L. L. D., Cincinnati; Stanford Crawford, St. Louis; J. A. Patton, Chattanooga, Tenn.

AN ACCIDENT

Old Colored Servant Falls and Hurts Himself Painfully.

Rosa Keys, aged about ninety, who has belonged to the late Miss M. M. B. Rodman since her birth and who has been connected with the Rodman family since that time, had a fainting spell early this morning. The aged negro fell against a table and cut her head badly. While the wound is painful it is not thought to be serious by the attending physicians.

FISH FRY

Shad Fish Fry Deposited in Pamlico River This Morning.

Officials of the United States Fish Commission this morning deposited in Pamlico River five hundred thousand and shad fish fry. This will be pleasing information to our fishermen in this section.

Housekeeping

Mr. and Mrs. Norwood L. Simmons have moved to the residence on West Second street next to Mrs. W. L. Laughinghouse, where they will in the future reside.

ALL MEMBERS ARE URGED

A Demonstration on Memorial Day Afternoon.

The commodore of the Tar Heel Motor Boat Club requests all members of the club to assemble at the Atlantic Coast Line wharf Wednesday afternoon, Memorial Day, with their respective boats for the purpose of giving a sail around the harbor.

All strangers in the city that day including the veterans will be given a free ride around the harbor of the city.

This seems a commendable one to the part of the club and should be appreciated by every citizen in Washington. The women bids fair to be one of the features of Memorial day.