

WITNESSES AS TO CONDUCT OF THE PRISONER

BEATTIE'S OTHER AMONG THOSE ON STAND... BEATTIE'S CHARACTER IS PROVEN GOOD... WITNESS FOR DEFENSE

truthful, no man to be trusted, when her back is turned. Small wonder that she is skeptical. Beulah's Fickleness. Then, too, Beulah Binford has herself been a fickle person. Her life has not tended to make her truthful.

Hard Fight By Defense. Henry Clay Beattie, Jr., indicted for the murder of his wife, sobbed like a child yesterday when his gray-haired father in a low, tremulous voice, told of the domestic felicity of his son and the slain woman, Louise Owen Beattie.

"Biggest Liar in Town." E. H. Lewis, an employe of the Beattie store in South Richmond, declared that people spoke of Paul Beattie "as the biggest liar in town."

Father Praises Son. He spoke highly of his son's character and controverted the testimony of many witnesses for the prosecution, that Henry showed no signs of grief after his wife's murder.

Will Beulah Testify? E. Bready, who is reporting the trial for the Washington Herald, says the following: Beattie wife-murder trial is the juror's afraid they see the "other woman" of the murder case, Beulah Binford, in her own mother has sworn court that she had been wrong.

TOTAL COTTON CROP IS ESTIMATED AT 12,918,200 BALES

WASHINGTON, Sept. 1.—A total production of 12,918,200 bales of cotton as the final yield this year is indicated by the Department of Agriculture's official report on the condition of the growing crop August 25, which the crop reporting board from reports from its correspondents and agents throughout the cotton belt, estimated at 73.2 per cent. of normal.

These estimates of production, while unofficial, were reckoned by official methods adopted by the Department of Agriculture and used by the crop reporting board in its monthly estimates of the final yield of the important cereal crops of the country.

MISSION BOARD TO MEET HERE THIS MONTH

The Mission Board of the Western North Carolina M. E. Conference will meet in Winston-Salem this month. Dr. T. F. Marr, presiding elder of the Winston district, has received a letter from Rev. J. H. West, of Wadesboro, president of the board, stating that he had decided to hold the meeting in the Twin-City either September 14 or 15 or 16 and 20.

HOMES ABROAD FOR UNCLE SAM'S AGENTS.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 1.—Ambassadors and ministers of the American foreign service have been instructed by the State Department to submit estimates for construction or purchase by the United States of homes for them in every foreign capital in the world. This is in accordance with the recent appropriation granted by Congress providing for government-owned embassies and legations in order to relieve the diplomats of the enormous expense of rent, which in some cases exceeds their salaries.

HOTEL AT QUITMAN, GEORGIA, IS BURNED.

QUITMAN, Ga., Sept. 1.—The Hotel Whitehouse was burned today. It is a complete loss. The guests escaped. Water pressure was inadequate to fight the flames, the water main having burst a few hours previous to the discovery of the fire. The loss is \$12,000.

MISTAKEN FOR BURGLAR, PROBABLY FATALLY SHOT.

ANNISTON, Ala., Sept. 1.—Dr. T. L. Smith, a well known dentist, was shot and probably fatally wounded by his room-mate, Joe S. Thompson, being mistaken for a burglar. Thompson was asleep when Smith returned from an entertainment and fired before he recognized him.

PRESIDENT TALKS IN SUPPORT OF ARBITRATION

BOSTON, Sept. 1.—"Arbitration of disputes between nations is coming slowly but surely coming," said President Taft in his address before the American Bar Association, which concluded its thirty-fourth annual convention here last night. The President briefly reviewed the proposed general arbitration treaties with Great Britain and France and made it plain that in his opinion the objections made to the treaties were invalid.

Practical Reform. The President declared this to be a great step in the direction of practical reform. He said that there was need of increasing judicial salaries so that "the best men of the bar" might be secured for the various courts.

AUGUST REPORT OF THE MUNICIPAL COURT. Mr. W. T. Penry, clerk of the municipal court, will submit the following report for the month of August to the board of aldermen tonight:

Number of cases convicted, 122; dismissed, 27; not prosed, 6; continued for judgment, 5; bound over to superior court, 6; appealed to superior court, 8; total number of cases before Judge Hastings, 174.

Fines collected, \$431; judge's cost, \$157.85; clerk's cost, \$175.95; solicitor's fees, \$234; officers' cost, \$181.90; jail fees, \$28.20; total, \$1,188; amount collected in cash, \$1,291.98.

SALEM COMMISSIONERS WILL MEET TONIGHT. The Salem commissioners will meet in regular monthly session tonight.

It is probable that the proposed \$50,000 bond issue will be discussed again tonight and it is not improbable that a resolution calling for the aides for the first reading. The plan as proposed for the graded school system, \$30,000 for street improvements and \$10,000 for sewerage extension. The plan as proposed for the graded school system was published in The Sentinel several weeks ago.

COL. ASTOR SETTLES FIVE MILLION DOLLARS ON FIANCEE.

NEW YORK, Sept. 1.—Col. John Jacob Astor settled upon his fiancée, Miss Madeline Force, in the marriage agreement signed at Newport, five million dollars, according to the Herald today.

CHOLERA EPIDEMIC IN TURKEY VERY SERIOUS.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Sept. 1.—The cholera epidemic is obtaining a firmer hold in Turkey. Partial returns show on August 31st there were 79 cholera cases and 25 deaths in Constantinople. At Uskup there is an average of 150 cases daily while at Monastir, Macedonia, the disease is equally virulent.

CLERK OF SUPERIOR COURT FOR QUARTER OF CENTURY.

SAVANNAH, Ga., Sept. 1.—J. K. P. Carr, for a quarter of a century clerk of the superior court, was found dead in bed this morning.

ONE MAN IS KILLED; FOUR SERIOUSLY HURT.

KINGSTON, N. Y., Sept. 1.—One man was killed and four seriously injured in a head-on collision between the Rip Van Winkle Flyer and paymaster's train on the Ulster and Delaware Railroad at Halcattsville.

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SURRY COUNTY MAN FALLS 50 FEET IN WELL; KILLED

PILOT MOUNTAIN, Sept. 1.—Mr. Winburn Scott, a respected citizen who lives about six miles west of here, was overcome by dead air while being drawn out of a well in which he was working a few days ago and fell back into the well and was instantly killed.

NO NEW DEVELOPMENTS IN MT. AIRY POSTOFFICE FIGHT

MT. AIRY, Sept. 1.—There are no new developments in the postoffice contest in this town. Mr. Joyce is yet at the helm and is drawing the salary and when he talks he shows a confidence that would make one believe he feels sure that he is not to be molested.

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First Estimates of Damage By Storm Unchanged So Far

PROPERTY LOSS AT CHARLESTON IS ONE MILLION. A Search Is Still Being Made For Any Ships That May Be In Distress. DAMAGE DONE BEING RAPIDLY REPAIRED. CONDITIONS BEARING NORMAL.

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Reports of Further Damage to Shipping Being Anxiously Awaited—Yamacraw to Make a Search for Other Ships That May Need Help Off the Coast—Schooner Valentia Is Still Fast Off the Cape Fear Bar—Oyster Plants Put Out of Commission by the Terrific Storm—Other News Relative to Storm. WASHINGTON, Sept. 1.—A message has reached revenue cutter headquarters telling of loss of vessels in the gale which swept the South Atlantic coast Sunday and Monday and the heroic work of ships which went to give assistance.