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The Dockery-Bellamy Congressional Contest.

Ex Chief Melton's Testimony. A. S. M. College Changes. State University Improvements. Carolina Baking Recipe. Bad Outlook for Peaches.

RALPH, April 21.—The special committee appointed by the last Legislature to investigate the Agricultural and Mechanical College, with a view to needed reorganization, is hard at work. It recommends that the "fusionists" now there be ousted, that is, that their positions be declared vacant. This, of course was the legislative intent. May 2 the committee meets again. Then the matter of selecting a president comes up. It is said that if A. Q. Holladay is not re-elected W. S. Primmer will become president.

In the course of an interview with President Edwin A. Alderman, of the University of North Carolina, the latter said: "Much work is in progress at the university. We are putting in a new system of water supply, taking water from Boiling's creek. The \$25,000 alumni building is well under way, and so is the \$15,000 Julian S. Carr Dormitory building. A statue of Thomas H. Benton, life size, was yesterday received as a gift from Charles L. Van Noppen, a graduate."

Fifty of the United States convicts in the penitentiary are now employed in brickmaking. About two and a half millions of brick will be made this year, it is expected.

Governor Russell has appointed A. B. Andrews, William C. Stronach, Julian S. Carr and J. A. Ramsay directors of the Soldiers' Home.

Good progress is being made on the survey of the new railway between Lumberton, N. C., and Marion, S. C., some twenty miles having been completed. The survey of the Hamlet-Choraw division of the Seaboard Air Line is also begun.

Mr. W. L. Baxter, of Ridgeway, for twenty years or more well known as a fruit and berry grower says: "There is a good prospect for berries—strawberries and blackberries. There will be little or no fruit. I have returned from a trip to Southern Pines. I do not think there will be enough fruit there for the growers to eat. The great peach orchard is all cut down—that is the old part. The young orchard is coming on. The San Jose scale got in the old trees. They say that the old orchard will be replanted."

The State of North Carolina is attracting much attention at present on account of the remarkable large number of new cotton mills being erected in addition to those already in operation. They include improvements and new plants at Elkin, Greensboro, Harlem, Red Springs, Mt. Airy, Edington, Tarboro and Raleigh. In preparing a summary of these enterprises in this State the Manufacturers' Record gives as a reason the advantages which North Carolina towns possess for the textile industry. According to a correspondent of the Record ten years ago Charlotte had a population of about 10,000 and one cotton mill. Today its population is more than 28,000 and its twelve cotton mills are running day and night in the manufacture of cotton yarns, gray cloths, ginghams, toweling, webbing, gabardine, hosiery, batting and wadding. Its five clothing factories are utilizing every hour of daylight to keep up with their orders. These factories are the direct result of the cotton mills, while as an auxiliary feature of textile life there are the four firms which contract to design, build and equip cotton mills complete, and which are kept busy while the five machinery and supply houses are shipping goods every day.

The taking of testimony in the contested congressional election case of Dockery against Bellamy was made very interesting by the evidence of John H. Melton, ex chief of police of Wilmington a witness for Dockery republican. Melton was driven out of Wilmington November 10 last. He swore guns were for several days before the election carried by white men there day and night and negroes were terrorized and kept from voting; that he received a notice that he would be killed if trouble arose with the negroes, and also received threats and cross-bows and understood that persons known as the "Big Six" were to be killed, these being Governor Russell, George Z. French, W. H. Chadborn, F. W. Foster, G. P. Locky and himself; that Chadborn wrote a letter which attacked the democrats and hence became "immune" that Governor Russell, Senator Pritchard and Butler and Oliver H. Dockery cancelled their appointments to speak at Wilmington, because they were to be bloodshed would result if they spoke; that he (Melton) resigned. He described his enforced exit from Wilmington, saying that he was so angry he

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GERMAN CAPTAIN ARRESTED

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VICTORIA, B. C. April 20.—Passengers on the steamer Aorangi, which arrived here today from Australian ports, state that the captain of the German warship Falke at Apia, Samoa, has been arrested by the British commander there and at last accounts was a prisoner on the British cruiser Porpoise.

They say this report was taken to Australia by passengers from Apia, who stated it as a fact. According to this account the Falke was moored between the Porpoise and the United States cruiser Philadelphia and orders were sent aboard directing her to remain there or "if she moved she would be blown out of the water." No one, it is said, is allowed to leave her or go aboard without written permission of Captain Sturdee, of the Porpoise, or Admiral Kautz of the Philadelphia.

The passengers also say that fighting continues in Samoa and that there are small bush fights daily.

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Volunteers to Return Home as They Left the United States.

WASHINGTON, April 20.—Secretary Alger has received a reply from General Otis to his inquiry whether the reinforcements to be sent to him to relieve the volunteers would be sufficient for the purposes of the campaign. General Otis replies in the affirmative, the estimate of thirty thousand men to constitute the army in the Philippines agreeing with his own calculations.

The program for the movement of the regulars to Manila and of the volunteers homeward will be carried out according to General Otis' plans. The volunteers will return in the order in which they sailed for Manila from the United States last year, as follows:

First California, Second Oregon, California Artillery, Batteries A and B, Utah Artillery, Tenth Pennsylvania, First Colorado, First Nebraska, First North Dakota, Thirtieth Minnesota, First Idaho, First Wyoming, First Montana, First South Dakota, First Washington, Twentieth Kansas, First Tennessee, Fifty first Iowa, Nevada Cavalry, First Wyoming Battery.

As is stated at the War Department that there is no probability of an attempt to organize a battalion of native Cuban troops until the Cuban army is paid off and disbanded. It is then possible some of the best of these soldiers will be selected and enlisted in the United States service. It is realized at the department that the disbandment of the Cuban army presents a grave problem and the officials will watch with some apprehension the result of the disbandment.

No Senator Elected.

HARRISBURG, Pa., April 20.—The session of the General Assembly of 1899 adjourned finally at noon today, after having been in session a little over three and a half months.

The session was one of the shortest in the State's history and was fraught with interest throughout by reason of the spirited contest for United States Senator.

It closed without the election of a successor to Matthew Stanley Quay and unless Governor Stone calls an extra session, at which there should be an election, Pennsylvania will have only one representative in the United States Senate the next two years.

On account of the failure of the Legislature to pass such legislation as would have wiped out the deficiency of \$4,500,000 in the State Treasury and covered the estimated ordinary expenses of the State government for the next two years it is not improbable that an extra session will be called.

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Philippine Junta Split.

LONDON, April 20.—A serious split has occurred among the members of the Philippine junta here.

A majority of them are in favor of direct conferences with the Secretary of State at Washington, with the view of bringing about a peaceful solution of the Philippine question. Four delegates—Lasala, Maril, Lopez and Rivera—finding that Agoncillo, Aguinaldo's representative, disagrees with this view have started for Manila, leaving Agoncillo, Riego and Luna, who insist upon absolute and unconditional independence in Europe.

The four delegates do not object to some form of American intervention in the government of the islands, and they say they believe a personal meeting between Agoncillo and Dewey, in whom alone they have confidence, will lead to a settlement.

A Hundred Millions For Charity.

VIENNA, April 20.—The Neue Freie Presse states that the estate left by Baroness Marianne de Hirsch, who died April 1, has been valued at \$28,000,000 (about \$123,000,000) of which \$20,000,000 (about \$100,000,000) will be expended in carrying on the charities founded or fostered by the Baron and Baroness. The Hirsch foundation in New York receives \$250,000 (about \$1,000,000), and the institute at Montreal one-tenth of that amount.

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