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Senator Williams Point
of Senator Cummings.

HE WAS ON BOTH SIDES

Iowan Argues Against Canadian Reciprocity and John Sharp Williams Cites 1904 Speech in which Cummins Favored Putting Farm Products in Free List.

The Washington correspondent of The News and Courier says the general opinion of disinterested auditors of the colloquy in the Senate Thursday between Senators Cummings of Iowa, and Williams, of Mississippi, that the brilliant Southern routed the Iowan, horse, foot and dragon. The deed was accomplished by the apt citation of a speech delivered by Mr. Cummings several years ago in advocacy of reciprocity, particularly with regard to farm products. There is wide recognition of the fact that on John Sharp Williams the South has added another to the galaxy of great Senators.

Senator Cummings continued his argument against the Canadian reciprocity bill, but did not conclude. He attacked this measure from the standpoint not only of its alleged injustice and political inexpediency, but on the grounds that it was not properly drawn as a tariff law.

If passed in its present form, he said, the agreement would give Canada the option of reorganizing one-half of it without accepting it all. The statement, explained in detail by the Iowan, drew the attention of the Senate, many members questioning the interpretation thus put upon the bill as sent to Congress by the President.

Senator Cummings said the passage of the bill would be followed by a storm of disapproval, against which the Republican party could not stand. He said it would be accepted by the agricultural interests as notice that the Congress had determined they were not entitled to the same consideration at its hands that is given to the other producers of the land.

"No self-respecting nation can accept without qualification the Canadian reciprocity agreement in the exact form proposed to us," declared Senator Cummings. He declared he believed in tariff revision, "but mark my words," he said, "the people of this country, with unerring judgment and intelligence, will know who is responsible for putting the farmer into free and unlimited competition in what he sells, while still protecting the things that he buys."

Senator Williams, of Mississippi, interrupted to read from Senator Cummings' inaugural address in Iowa in 1904.

In this speech Mr. Cummings expressed the belief that the Iowa farmer would not suffer from free Canadian agricultural products more than they do from the competition of nearby States.

"I remember that speech," said Senator Cummings.

"But it seems the Senator is now most inconsistent in his views," said Mr. Williams.

"I am not," said Senator Cummings, "ten or even seven years ago, there was not the danger of competition of Canadian farm products that there is now, when the United States almost ceased to be an exporter of such products."

Burglar Creates Terror.

The police of Macon, Ga., are hunting for a negro burglar who has been systematically robbing residences on Boundary street and Coleman avenue, having visited no less than five of those thoroughfares this week. In one instance he ransacked a room at the home of S. L. Stripling, in which there was a person sleeping. The negro has twice been captured by the owners of the house, but managed to escape.

Struck Below Ground.

While working 1,500 feet underground at one a. m. James Conroy, of Kingston, Pa., was struck by lightning and so badly injured that he is not expected to recover. He did not know there was a storm until his chamber was filled with a blinding light, and he was knocked senseless and badly burned. The stroke of lightning had followed the intake of air current as far as Conroy's chamber.

Engine Jumps Track.

Eastbound train No. 26, on the Chesapeake & Ohio railroad, was wrecked Wednesday evening, one mile east of Aden, Ky. The engine jumped the track and turned over. Mat F. Kelley, of Mount Sterling, Ky., the engineer, was killed, and Edward A. T. Watkins of Lexington, traveling engineer, sustained a broken leg. None of the passengers was hurt.

Struck a Snow Storm.

Dispatches from Duluth says that steamers down the lake are sending in wireless messages stating that they are late because they have been held up by a snow storm this side of the Canadian Soo. Snow fell in abundance, according to reports, last Thursday night. During the storm most of the freighters anchored and rode safe until the snowfall ceased.

PRICES ARE HIGHER

THE COST OF TEXT BOOK SOMEWHAT INCREASED.

But Then It Is Presumed That the Books Selected Are Better Than the Old Ones.

The new books adopted by the State board of education for the free public schools of South Carolina will cost the patrons of the school some more than the books now used according to comparative figures made up at the office of the State superintendent of education.

The increased expense is shown in the following comparative statement of the cost of new and old books prepared by Mr. Swearingen:

Cost of old Primer. \$12
Cost of new Primer. \$25
Increase over 10 per cent.

During the five year period 1906-1911 135,000 primers were sold. Upon that basis the total increase to the pupils of the State will be \$17,680.00.

Readers.
Cost of old First Reader. \$20
Cost of new First Reader. \$25
Increase 25 per cent.

Total number of First Readers sold during the past five years, 200,000 copies. Aggregate increase to the pupils \$10,000.

Cost of old Second Reader. \$28
Cost of new Second Reader. \$35
Increase 25 per cent.

Total number of Second Readers sold during the last adoption period, 129,000 copies. Aggregate increase \$9,030.00.

Geography.
Cost of old Elem. Geography. \$32
Cost of new Elem. Geography. \$45
Increase 33 1-3 per cent.

Total number sold during last adoption period, 63,000. Increase to pupils, \$7,560.00.

Physiologies.

In place of a two-book series a three-book series has been adopted. Cost of old series Elem. \$30
Cost of old series Adv. \$50
Cost of new series, 1st book. \$35
Cost of new series, 2nd book. \$40
Cost of new series, 3rd book. \$60
Increased cost to each pupil of the series, .55. Increase about 60 per cent.

Arithmetic.

In place of a two-book series covering the work up to the high school a three-book series has been adopted. The first two books cover the work up to the 7th grade. Every pupil therefore who passed into the 7th grade will have to purchase a new book for the one year at a cost of 41 cents.

Cost of old Arithmetic Elem. \$32
Cost of old Arithmetic Adv. \$40
Cost of new Arithmetic Elem. \$22
Cost of new Arithmetic, Inter. \$36
Cost of new Arithmetic, Adv. \$41
Increase in cost of the series, 47 cents, about 66 2-3 per cent.

CAUSES SOME COMMENT.

Action of State Board of Education Is Being Discussed.

The State says much interest is being manifested in the action of the State Board of Education in eliminating about 80 per cent of the text books now used by the free public schools of South Carolina.

The members of the State board of education are: D. M. O'Driscoll, Charleston; A. F. Rice, Jr., Aliken; D. W. Daniel, Clemson college; A. G. Rembert, Spartanburg; J. Lyles Glenn, Chester; Nathan Thomas, Darlington; A. J. Thackston, Orangeburg; J. E. Swearingen, the State superintendent of education, is the secretary of the board and the governor is the ex-officio chairman.

Mr. Swearingen several days ago issued a statement in which he criticized the board for the sweeping changes in text-books. He charged that the board had placed an unnecessary tax of several hundred thousand dollars upon the people of the State. The action of the board has caused much comment and further developments in connection with the situation are expected.

Fatal Crap Game.

As a climax to a "crap game," engaged in by a crowd of negroes during the progress of a camp meeting on Sunday at Montague, a small station on the Greenville and Knoxville railway, eight miles above Greenville, an unknown negro was shot and instantly killed by Will Robinson. Robinson was captured by the sheriff and is now in jail. He claims he shot in self-defense.

Held on Serious Charge.

At Macon, Ga., Charles Doctor, the young musician who is charged with criminally assaulting Leah Cohen, a 13-year-old girl and the daughter of Rabbi Cohen, is in jail. It was expected that he would have a preliminary trial Thursday, but he has not asked for it. Doctor has offered to marry the girl, but her relatives will not consent.

Flock to the Sea Shore.

Three hundred thousand men, women and children slept on the beach at Coney Island, New York, Thursday night, driven from their homes by the intense heat. Early Friday, however, a cool wave brought relief. Five persons succumbed to Thursday's heat.

STANDS BY THE BOARD

GOVERNOR BLEASE SATISFIED WITH WHAT IT DID.

Says the Members in Their Action Were Just as Conscientious as Swearingen Was.

Governor Blease Wednesday afternoon issued a statement in connection with the text book contract matter. Governor Blease said:

"I have seen Superintendent Swearingen's statement. I have no comment to make. He is entitled to his opinion, and I have the highest regard for him, and, if he is a candidate for re-election, he has my best wishes for his success, for I think he is conscientious and trying to do what he believes is right. However, after a most careful and thorough investigation I am satisfied that the seven gentlemen who represented the State by appointment on this board, (and who were appointed by my predecessor), are equally as conscientious and as honorable gentlemen, and did what they believed was for the best interest of the children of South Carolina.

"I considered the changing of the board. Certain newspapers were very loud in their denunciation of me in contemplation of such action and spoke in the very highest and laudable terms of these gentlemen, and it appeared from their ravings that had I removed these gentlemen I would have been subjected to the most severe censure.

"Now, that the adoption is over, some of these same papers are criticizing these gentlemen. If they can make their position consistent, after publishing these contradictory statements, all right, for it will only be in keeping with the easing of their conscience for their falsehoods and vituperation in which they have engaged.

"On the morning of the beginning of the book adoption I was called away from Columbia and, therefore, was not present at the adoption of the books on the morning of the first day. Neither was I present when the vote was taken on the question raised by Superintendent Swearingen—that each man record his vote on each book. If I had been present I would have voted for Mr. Swearingen's plan; and, if any one is interested enough to now, I will be delighted to state how I voted on each book that was adopted during my presence. I think my record in the House of Representatives and in the State Senate and in the Governor's office will justify me in saying that I have always been free and open in every act that I have ever committed, and I have no apologies to make to any man or set of men. I recognize no 'boss' but the people, and, when I go before them to them alone will I give an account.

"I refused on several occasions to see book men. Notably in this class were the agents of the American Book Company, and I have been informed that Mr. Fair, one of their representatives, was rather severe in his criticism of my not allowing him to see me and discuss his books with him. When book men called, I declined to see them—stating to some to see Mr. Swearingen, that he was State Superintendent of Education, and that the people had elected him to perform that duty and not me. As to Glenn & Co., I guess Mr. Walker will hardly say that I had any favors for them. The only agents with whom I did have any conversation of consequence, did not get even a book, except Prof. White.

"As I have said before, my fight was for Southern books, and we adopted Thompson's, Kinnard's, Wallace's, White's, Sims's and other South Carolina authors. As to the Wheeler reader, while I was not present when they were adopted, they are by a Kentuckian and many of the other books adopted were by Southern authors; and in my opinion, our people would rather pay a little more and have their children taught the truth in Southern books, than to pay less and be taught books by Yankee authors, and taught to believe that their grand fathers, and their great-grand-fathers were traitors to their State.

"I regret that Superintendent Swearingen looks at the matter as he does.

"As for my part of it, ignorant as I was as to the needs of the children, I did the best I could. As for the balance—I refer the people to Prof. O'Driscoll; Mr. Rice, Prof. Daniels, Prof. Rembert, Prof. Thomas, Prof. Thackston and Senator Glenn. If this is a Blease board, or if these gentlemen were controlled by me, or if they are corrupt, then lay all the blame on my shoulders, and I will gladly carry it until the people of South Carolina give the command 'lay it down.'"

Some More Hot Air.

The Augusta Chronicle says Felder made the statement in Atlanta Wednesday night that he will shortly begin showing by oral and documentary evidence, that "Bleaze is a moral degenerate, and unfit to sit in a convention of 'buzzards.'"

Japs in South America.

Private cable advices received on Thursday state that the colonization of Japanese is now going on in Nicaragua, Honduras, Panama and other Central American states. The Japanese government is said to be behind the movement.

HELD LIVE WIRE

Derrell Harrison Lost His Life While Viewing Base Ball Game.

WAS HIGH UP ON A POLE

Over Two Thousand People Who Were Witnessing Base Ball Game Saw the Unfortunate Man Fall Backwards and Hang Head Downward for Some Time.

The State says while perched on an electric light pole near the center field fence watching the Columbia-Charleston game Wednesday afternoon at Elmwood park, Derrell Harrison, a young white man, came in contact with a live wire and hung suspended from a cross arm, head downwards, for about five minutes in plain view of about 2,000 horrified spectators. Death resulted almost instantly.

The accident occurred in the sixth inning, about 6:40 o'clock. Harrison and another man, whose name as yet has not been ascertained by the authorities, were watching the game from the electric light pole. A light which looked like a ball of fire flashed and Harrison fell backwards, his legs catching on the cross-arm, the other man dropping to the ground. His hat then sailed to the street below. It is said that the other man was not injured.

In an instant the grandstand and bleachers were in a state of confusion. Women shrieked and hundreds of others rushed on the field for the scene of the accident. John Burke, center fielder on the Columbia team, was among the first to go to his aid.

A man climbed the pole with a rope and attempted to tie it around the dead man's body to lower it to the ground, but his body was so limp that it slipped out, falling into the crowd. Examination showed that he was dead.

Derrell Harrison was about twenty-five years old. He was from the Horse Creek valley of this State, but has recently been with his brother-in-law, G. T. Scott, in the Olympia mill village. His wife was in Columbia. After the accident the game was resumed, but many left.

THEY TOOK THE FUNDS.

House Committee Advises Dismissal of Several Men.

The recommendation for the dismissal from the Government service of American Consul Gen. W. H. Michael, at Calcutta, former chief clerk of the State department, and Thos. Morrison, present disbursing clerk, for their connection with the Day portrait case, as announced Thursday, in which misappropriation of State department funds is charged, was reported to the House committee on expenditures in the State department by the sub-committee, which is conducting an investigation of the department.

The sub-committee said that it had not completed its labors, but reported in the case of Michael and Morrison, in the hope that their services would be dispensed with immediately. The recommendation is the result of an investigation by it into an alleged expenditure of the department of \$2,150 for a painting of former Secretary of State Day, of which amount the artist, Albert Rosenthal, said he received only \$850, the remaining \$1,300 being unaccounted for. "This conclusion reached by your committee," the report says, "seems irresistible that this sum of \$1,600 was jointly misappropriated by Michael and Morrison, or individually by Michael."

Struck in a Field.
Robert Wilson, colored, a laborer on S. B. Crawford's plantation, near Great Falls, Chester County, was instantly killed by lightning on Friday afternoon. Wilson and several companions were engaged in hoeing cotton when the accident occurred. Three of the others were knocked down and stunned, but fortunately were not killed.

Convict Falls Dead.

While laughing and talking with fellow convicts, a negro named Lee, alias Smith, who was serving a two-year sentence on the Spartanburg County chain gang, tumbled over backwards and died before medical aid could reach him one day last week. He was joking about his arrest, conviction and sentence when he died.

Elks Club Raided.

At Talladega, Ala., Thursday Sheriff Connett raided the Elks club, securing fifteen cases of beer and fifteen cases of whiskey. This is the largest raid ever made in the state of Alabama. The Elks are highly indignant. The entire city of Talladega is in a state of excitement as the result of the raid.

Drown in River.

The bodies of Albert J. Handman, a prominent club man and athlete, of Cincinnati, and Miss Anna Kees, known on the vaudeville stage as Bonnie Hampton, were found in the Ohio river Thursday. They had been missing since Thursday week and it was supposed they had eloped.

MISSED BIG AMOUNT

TRAIN ROBBERS MADE MISTAKE IN STOPPING TRAIN.

Only Swag Comes From Registered Mail, No Express Being on Board. Posses in Pursuit.

Apparently mistaking the first section of the northbound passenger train No. 16 on the Southern Pacific railroad for a southbound train said to be carrying a shipment of \$400,000 in gold dust from Seattle to San Francisco two robbers held up the northbound train on Thursday night near West Fork, an isolated station in Cow Creek canyon, Oregon.

The robbers rifled the mail car, blowing up the safe, and made away with the registered mail. They tried to secure entrance to the express car, but were foiled by Messenger Robb, who refused to open the door despite threats that they would use dynamite if he refused. The robbers after fruitlessly prying with a crowbar at the side door of the car, finally desisted and decamped with the loot secured from the mail car.

The amount taken by the robbers can not be ascertained at this time. This train carries in its registered mail the cash from Southern Oregon postoffices to Eugene, Oregon, which is their depository, and this was probably included in the mail stolen.

The robbers boarded the train at West Fork while the engine was taking water. Soon after it had got underway they crawled over the tender into the cab and directed the engineer to stop the train.

This done one of the men kept the engineer and fireman under cover with his revolver while the other one went back and uncoupled the mail and baggage car.

Then the engineer was ordered to pull these cars some distance up the track, where he was again ordered to stop. The robbers went back to the mail car and lining the mail clerks up, took the registered mail pouches and dynamited the mail car safe.

The noise of the explosion warned Messenger Robb of what was taking place and when the demand came for him to open his door he made no response.

The conductor of the train as soon as he discovered what had taken place went back to West Fork where he notified Glendale and surrounding points. Posses have been organized to pursue the robbers.

DEPRESS PRICE OF COTTON.

A Plot for That Purpose Said to Have Been Formed.

A Washington dispatch to The State says a bull and bear war has broken out again although on a small scale, because it developed there on Wednesday in the hearing of the committee on expenditures in the department of justice that there has been a studied effort on the part of Northern spinners for the last four years to curtail the output of cotton goods in order to force down the prices of the staple.

Foaks of the Arkwright club which have just been exhibited to Congressman Beall of Texas led him to say that interesting disclosures might be expected any day in view of the actions of Attorney General Wickersham last year when the bull and bear movements were the issues of the day.

While it is too early to say what the outcome of the matter will be there is a feeling that spinners from both the North and South will be summoned to testify before the committee to ascertain whether the cotton market had suffered because of the agreement of the Northern men to curtail their production and to what extent the Southern spinners responded.

Owed Him Small Amount.

Jesse Kirk, a negro, shot and killed Will Wood, also colored, at Switzer, Spartanburg county, Monday. Kirk claims that he shot Wood, his brother-in-law, in self-defense. He said he and Wood had been off together and were returning home, when Wood claimed that Kirk owed him 25 cents. Kirk claims that he paid Wood the amount and Wood then claimed Kirk owed him more than 25 cents. Kirk denied owing him any more money.

Cotton Mills Closed.

In accordance with resolutions adopted at a meeting of the Cotton Manufacturers' Association of South Carolina held in Spartanburg last January looking to a curtailment of the output of cotton mills of this State for a period of five weeks, between April and September, practically all the cotton mills of Greenville have closed down.

Sunday School Recruits.

One million four hundred and thirty-one thousand pupils have been added to the Sunday schools of the United States in the last three years, according to statistics presented to the International Sunday school convention, which was in session at San Francisco.

Buried Under Gold.

Literally buried under \$9,000,000 in gold, Wadesworth Williams, employed in the San Francisco mint, was so badly injured the other day that his recovery is doubtful.

TWO GIRLS WIN

IN RAFFLE AND ARE AWARDED A LIFE PARTNER.

A Novel Manner of Raising Money at a Church Lottery Held in Philadelphia, Pa.

It is quite the thing in Philadelphia now for a girl to take a chance in a husband. That sounds as if it were not new, but the fact is that a girl at a fair can put her hand in a grab bag and pull out a husband if she is lucky.

Miss Mary Doyle did almost that at the fair for the benefit of St. Gregory's Roman Catholic Church Wednesday night. She and several thousand young women bought tickets in a lottery for a husband whose identity was carefully hidden. St. Gregory's rector vouchsafed that the prize would make a good husband, and announced that he would perform the marriage ceremony gratis. As an additional inducement a diamond ring was thrown in with the husband.

The drawing for the one capital prize was held on the porch of the headquarters of the church fair committee Wednesday night. Miss Jennie Woodhouse held a box full of numbers. Miss Mary Murray, blindfolded, thrust her hand in the box and drew forth a number. The girl who held that number was the winner. The united heart pit-a-pats of the hundreds of girls assembled were almost audible. "No. 1665 wins" announced Miss Woodhouse.

After much fluttering it was discovered that Mrs. Doyle held 1665. Her envious co-gamblers in the game of love thrust her forward and she was directed to step on the porch and discover her "winning" who was hidden behind a screen.

An orchestra played the wedding march from "Lohengrin." With a pretty, petulant gesture Miss Doyle knocked down the screen.

There stood William Bowers, known to all the girls of the church, "the bashful bachelor." He was blushing furiously. Besides he wore evening clothes, except that he had on a green necktie.

"Pshaw" said Miss Doyle in a tone that made Bowers blush a deeper crimson, "I know Mr. Bowers is very nice, but I don't want a husband that costs me only ten cents." She gave up the diamond ring too.

Bowers will be raffled off again, next time to buy a new organ for the church.

Miss Doyle may change her mind again. Miss Catherine N. Flanagan did this afternoon. Pity, as well as budding affection, seems to have inspired Miss Flanagan, for she said:

"Nobody loves a fat man, so I'll marry him." She held the ticket that won Thomas Skelley as husband at the fair of the Church of the Immaculate Conception. Skelley is six feet tall and weighs 280 pounds.

His identity which has been a baffling mystery for a week, during which the fair has been in progress, was disclosed simultaneously with the announcement that he belonged to Miss Flanagan if she wanted him. Skelley mounted a chair and said he had entered the affair in a spirit of fun, but since he had seen Miss Flanagan he was willing and anxious to relinquish his bachelor life. Miss Flanagan blushed prettily and it was agreed.

JURY INVITED TO BARBECUE.

But Judge Spear Says They Cannot Attend the Affair.

Announcement in the newspapers that four prominent planters of Pulaski county, who were recently acquitted of peonage in the United States court at Macon, Ga., were to celebrate their acquittal on July 4 with a big barbecue and that an invitation had been extended to the 12 jurors to be guests of honor, has provoked from Judge Emory Spear of the United States court a warning to the jurors not to attend. The judge takes the position that it is against the law to tamper with a jury. He says that the names of the men are in the jury box yet, they are on the jury list and may be called upon to try a similar case. Several of the jurors announce that they will attend the "cue despite the remarks of the judge.

Killed About Ten Cents.

In a row over ten cents, the termination of a negro card game, Hamp Jeter shot and killed Will Cade, near Woodruff one day last week. Jeter was committed to jail at Spartanburg, charged with murder. Jeter claimed that Robert Green owed him 10 cents and pulled his gun to take a shot at Robert; however, Cade got in the way of the bullet and was killed. All parties are colored.

She Avenged Him.

After J. F. Hart had shot and fatally wounded her husband, Mrs. Joseph Walker, of Carlsbad, N. M., on Thursday attacked Hart with a heavy rock and beat his head to a pulp for revenge. Hart will die. Mrs. Walker was arrested.

Hidden Mine Explode.

Seventy-two Maderist soldiers were killed in the town of Jonacatepec, state of Morelos, on Monday, by explosion of a mine planted by Federalists before the excavation of the place, according to dispatches received at Mexico City.

TWO GIRLS ROB

They Claim That They Were Taught How to Steal Things From Stores

BUT THEY GOT CAUGHT

Arrested in a Department Store Tell Strange Tale on Instruction in Shoplifting—Won Prizes in Shape of Sticks of Candy for Proficiency in Stealing.

The New York World says the pretty, starched frocks of two girls, each about ten years old, with another girl, about three toddling between them, attracted the eye of Miss Marie Young, detective, in the Greenbut-Siegel Cooper Company store at 18th street and Sixth Avenue Friday afternoon. At the lingerie counter, Miss Young says, she saw one of the girls hide a slip in her sleeve. A moment later the other took a similar garment, the detective says.

She followed them and saw them take garment after garment, making frequent trips to the waiting room. Finally Miss Young invited the children to the office, where Miss Young asserts she found \$9.87 worth of silk and linen slips pinned under the older girl's skirts and one silk garment pinned to the little child's dress. At the police station, where they were taken, the older girls said they were Helen Stewart and Helen Henwood of No. 421 West Thirty-ninth street, and the baby was Agnes Hanley, of the same address. When charged with stealing one of the girls said earnestly:

"No, mister, we didn't take the things. Some one just put them there."

The police then gave up their efforts to learn anything and took the three to the Children's Society. From the time the smallest girl reached the station house she began to cry for her mother and father. All attempts to comfort her failed. The detectives went out to look up the address, which was found to be fictitious. This was about nine p. m. Soon after they left the West Forty-seventh street station called up the Gerry agents and asked if they had a lost child there, giving a description of Agnes. An hour later Edward Ahern, a city fireman, and his distracted wife, appeared at the Gerry rooms. When they saw Agnes there was no need for identification. The mother seized the baby in her arms, crying hysterically.

Mr. Ahern said she had missed Agnes in the afternoon, and neighbors told her that two little girls had taken the child away as if for a walk.

The next morning the baby's companions were arraigned in the Children's Court before Judge Royl. There "Helen Stewart" said she was Helen Birmingham, of No. 541 West Fifth street, and the other said she was Mary Murch, No. 641 West Fifty-second street. These names and addresses were verified by the detectives.

After telling their right names the police say the two girls told them the following amazing story: They had been taught to steal by a Mrs. Kiernan, who lives in West Fifth street. With other girls about their same age they had received a regular course in shoplifting. To make them proficient in the art their instructor, they said, converted her parlor into a shop. Tables and chairs were placed in the centre of the room to represent counters, which were covered with ribbons and various articles of wearing apparel. Then they were told they would "play store." The woman's 15-year-old daughter acted as the store detective.

"You come in as if to buy," the girls say their instructor told them, "and the one who can take the most without being caught will receive a stick of candy."

The two children boasted that they had won four sticks of candy in succession, although the girls plied against in the contest of wits were much older. Encouraged by this achievement, the detectives say the girls told them, they decided to "work for themselves" instead of for their instructor and deserted the school and successfully pilfered articles from several shops.

Ignored Governor Blease.

A special dispatch from Atlanta to the Augusta Chronicle says the statement is made that Governor Blease, of South Carolina, being ignored in sending out invitations to the unveiling of the monument to the "Old Guard" there this fall—and he is the only governor in the South thus ignored—is not due to the fact that he did not attend the conference, but rather is due entirely to his action in and conduct in reference to the Felder case.

A special from Wilmington, N. C., says that as a result of an accident on the tram road of the Waccamaw Lumber Company, near there Wednesday, four men were instantly killed and one man seriously wounded. Three of the dead men are Italians. Details of the accident are not available at this time, but the coroner of Brunswick county is investigating the accident.

Fatal Tramway Accident.

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