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Governor Wolcott of Massachusetts has commissioned Cyrus Cobb of Boston to make a marble bust of Rev. S. S. Smith, the author of "America," to be placed in the state house.

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Prof. McFarlane of Glasgow university has been elected to the chair of natural history in a new apparatus, prepared by himself and Lord Kelvin, by which the deaf might be enabled to enjoy the rhythm of music.

The surplus of the immense peach crop in Maine is being given to the poor. In some portions of the state as well as in New Jersey, the surplus is being sold for the purpose of picking, canning, and drying immense quantities of the fruit among the poor of the cities this winter.

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It is well that those who, like the Pharisees of old, thank God that their nation is better than other nations, should know the truth. The knowledge of crimes perpetrated against the Seminoles in former days may help toward bringing about a more humane and just policy toward the Indians that still remain. The narrative is graphically told and, although nominally written for boys and girls, will be found of interest to grown-up people. Charles Scribner's Son, New York, Meigs's.

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