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On the rooftop of a bank, Maria Mitchell could be seen peering through her telescope as part of her routine.

> On a clear October night something caught her eye. Could it be a bright new comet she saw zooming by?

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Photo of Maria Mitchell in her observatory

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Dr. Turner studied ants and bees and all the ways they act. His experiments uncovered things we now accept as fact.

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