

1895

to take the place of the "Ravenswood" was lost off Hatteras on her way here.

February-March: New York "Giants" trained at Jacksonville.

April 27: Greeted by a royal welcome from river craft the Commodore Barney arrived from New York to become the ferryboat between Jacksonville and South Jacksonville. She was originally built in 1858 as a government boat named Ethan Allen; but before coming to Jacksonville had been running as a ferryboat at New York.

May 20: In the bicycle races held at Charlotte, Geo. N. Adams of Jacksonville won the championship of the South, riding a Stearns one mile in 2:37.

September 10: News Item: Three weeks ago there was not a bloomer in the city; now there are five that are known of and perhaps more that have not come to light. The owners of the five bloomers have not yet ventured to ride (their bicycles) in open daylight, but usually wait until after 9 p. m., when there are few people on the streets.

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March 6: New York Giants (baseball club) arrived for spring training.

July 17: George N. Adams established a world's record for 3 to 10 miles bicycle racing at Panama Park.

September 11: Club house and quarters at Panama Park burned.

September 23: Clyde steamer Frederick DeBary wrecked at Kitty Hawk, N. C. Was later floated, repaired and put into service.

1897

February 12: Jacksonville Bar Association organized at a meeting of lawyers in the court house: D. U. Fletcher, president; C. D. Rinehart, vice-president; E. J. L'Engle, secretary; T. M. Day, Jr., treasurer. The Association held its first banquet at the Windsor Hotel February 26, 1897.