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### DEVELOPING DUVAL COUNTY.

The attention of home seekers in all parts of the country has been attracted to Duval county, Florida, through the tremendous amount of advertising in Northern and Western papers that is being done by several colonization corporations, and as a result several thousands of acres of land in this county has been disposed of. Much of this land has been sold to people who will come here and engage in farming and truck growing.

Our own home company, the Jacksonville Development Company, has placed on the market a large tract of land, sub-divided into five-acre farms, lying close to the city limits of Jacksonville, along the Seaboard Air Line and Atlantic Coast Line, and through which passes the road from Jacksonville to Lake City and Tallahassee, which is to be paved with vitrified brick. These five-acre farm tracts are being sold on easy terms, and the company reports a steadily increasing demand for Jacksonville Farms, as the five-acre tracts are known.

Duval county lands are as good as any unimproved lands in the State, and when cultivated intelligently give returns equal to the lands in any section of Florida. The development of these lands will add greatly to the assessed valuation of taxable property in Duval county. The coming of settlers will do much to develop this part of the State, and The Record most heartily endorses the work that is being done to secure such settlers.

The Times-Union of recent date contained the following editorial comment concerning the possibilities of Florida land, and every word applies to Duval county lands:

"One of the lessons to be learned from the success of Hastings potato raisers is the potential value of Florida land as a money raiser. Says one who has known that region long and well: 'There is an untold amount of just as good land as that in all parts of Florida. Hastings would not be known to day if an old New England farmer had not come down here and shown Floridians what a valuable asset the State has in its lands. There is an abundance of low pineland in Florida which can be drained, if wet, and whether drained or not needing drainage, can be worked until the soil is pulverized so deeply that it will retain moisture through droughts. There is no magic in that soil. There's lots of it everywhere in Florida.' One does not need to hark back very far to remember when there was no demand to speak of for any but hammock land. Square miles of Florida land are now for sale as low as \$2 an acre, which in the not far distant future will be quoted at from one hundred to several hundred dollars an acre."

### FLORIDA BANKERS TO MEET.

Live Oak, Fla., March 17.—The annual convention of the State Bankers' Association of Florida will meet in this city next Friday for a two days' session.

The local bankers and the citizens generally are making arrangements to give the visitors a royal welcome and will do all in their power to see that they have a pleasant stay in Live Oak.

The convention will be called to order at 2:30 p. m. Friday, at the new city hall. There will be afternoon and evening sessions.

The convention will adjourn Saturday at 12:30 p. m. Immediately after adjournment the members of the Bankers' Association and their friends will leave Live Oak on a special train over the L. O. P. and G. Railroad for Dowling Park, a very popular resort, about fifteen miles south of this city. An old-fashioned dinner will be served for them at the Dowling Park hotel. The special train will leave the park at 5:30 for Live Oak, where a banquet will be tendered the bankers at the Swannee hotel.

### THE FLORIDA FURNITURE CO.

The interior arrangements of this "Old Reliable Furniture Store" is well worth a visit. They have recently stated in the Daily papers that their furniture is not as good as other furniture, but guaranteed Better. This is of course a very bold statement to make, but continuous daily proof of satisfaction received from numerous patrons leads us to believe they have not exceeded facts in this statement. If you are contemplating buying any furniture, etc., such as Bedroom Suits, Center Tables, Oak Desks, Hall Desks, Dining Room Suits, Dressers, China Closets, Mattings, Art Squares, Toys and Crockery, Trunks, Stoves and Ranges, etc., you should pay them a visit and when you consider that all these goods will be offered for a few days at one-fourth the original prices, they certainly will be exceptional value, and should be taken advantage of. This together with their being the lowest installment Furniture Store in the city should produce for the Florida Furniture Company, at 401 to 409 West Forsyth street, numerous new patrons.

### SAVANNAH BOARD OF TRADE.

At the Savannah Board of Trade last week officers and directors were elected as follows:

President, J. A. G. Carson.  
Vice-President, Harvey Granger.  
Directors, H. A. Crane, B. H. Levy, J. B. Chestnutt, Jas. Farie, Jr., L. McNeill, J. C. Shkwarz, J. W. Motte, H. H. Bruen, B. F. Bullard and W. F. Baker.

## PERJURY IS THE CHARGE IN KETCHAM INDICTMENT

Former Manager of Brooklyn Yards of American Naval Stores Company Indicted by Federal Grand Jury at Savannah.

Alleged That He Knew of False Grading of Rosins But Testified That There Had Never Been Such.

The grand jury of the Federal Court in Savannah brought in an indictment last Saturday against Percy Ketcham, alleging perjury, basing the indictment on the testimony given by Ketcham a year ago relative to charges of false grading of rosins in the Brooklyn yards of the American Naval Stores Company.

The Savannah Morning News of Sunday contained the following news story of the finding of the indictment:

"A distinct surprise was sprung yesterday when a perjury indictment was returned against Percy Ketcham, who as manager of the Brooklyn yards of the American Naval Stores Company, testified before the federal grand jury a year ago in the case against his company.

"A number of other indictments were returned by the grand jury of which former State Senator H. W. Whaley, of Jesup,

was foreman. The work of the jury being finished, Judge Sheppard discharged the members for the term.

"A bench warrant was issued for Ketcham, who is now supposed to be traveling through the West, with headquarters in Chicago or New York. It could not be ascertained whether an effort will be made by the government to bring him to Savannah for trial at this term of court.

"In his testimony before the federal grand jury a year ago Ketcham is said to have stated on oath that there had never been any false grading of rosins at the Brooklyn yard, as far as he knew. Witnesses testified yesterday that they were present with Ketcham when false grading took place, and that it was done with his knowledge and consent. Grand jurors who heard the testimony given by Ketcham were called to testify before the jury which returned the bill against him."

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