

NEW LUMBER DOCKS.

Jacksonville Company Preparing to Handle Business at M. & M. T. Co.'s Terminals.

The W. M. Mason Forwarding Company, of Jacksonville, has leased the property in front of warehouse No. 1, of the Merchants and Miners Transportation Company, on its East Bay street terminals, and will erect thereon lumber docks at an early date.

The deal was consummated some time ago and the forwarding company has already advertised for bids for the construction. They will be built along the line of Hogans Creek, on the Bay street side of the present warehouses of the transportation company, being 79x100 feet.

The new docks will be used in handling lumber shipments along with the other freight traffic of the Merchants and Miners Company, and is an evidence that this new line expects to handle considerable lumber business between Jacksonville and Baltimore, as well as other Northern ports of entry.

Specifications for the construction can be had from W. M. Mason, Jr., of the forwarding company, and just as soon as the bids are received, building operations will commence and will be pushed to an early completion.

Jacksonville has long been a big lumber market, and the constant increase of its docking facilities in this connection is an excellent indication of how the port as a port for the shipment of lumber is growing.

Florida's 70-Foot Bambo.

Possibly the tallest bamboo in America grows in Arcadia, Fla., and is about seventy feet high. The clump has a spread of fifty feet and the diameter at the ground is twelve feet. The specimen is only eight years old.

This is the common bamboo of India, probably brought to South Florida from the West Indies. In Jamaica it has become naturalized and is popularly supposed to be indigenous.

This bamboo makes an astonishing growth during our rainy season, the canes often attaining their full height in six weeks, after which they begin to put on leaves. The canes are from four to five inches in diameter at their base.

Unfortunately this species cannot stand low temperatures and the specimen in Arcadia has frequently been damaged by cold.—Garden Magazine.

Three Crops in a Season.

Just outside the city limits on Volusia avenue, Hutchinson & Brittle raised three acres of watermelons, having a splendid crop of excellent quality. This netted them about \$100 an acre, and the found a ready market here in Daytona for their entire crop. The same three acres will now be planted in potatoes, onions, lettuce, celery and other vegetables for a fall garden, which will make a three-crop yield for this season. This is the way to dig dollars out of Daytona dirt.—Daytona-Halifax Journal.

MORE JAPANESE COLONISTS.

W. H. H. Gleason of Eau Gallie, was in Cocoa last Thursday and told the News man that he had sold 25,000 acres of farming lands to the Japanese colony, and that soon there would be 200 of them to settle thereon. Mr. Ohi is the leader and speaks very favorably of the opportunity offered for establishing paying farms.—Cocoa News.

PORT OF JACKSONVILLE.

Is Known Officially as Port of St. Johns. Should be Changed.

At the recent convention of the Southern Commercial Secretaries' Association in Atlanta attention was called to the fact that Jacksonville as a shipping port was not mentioned in the government reports, and some surprise was created by this state. It was shown that through the shipping and commerce being credited to the port of St. Johns in the government reports, Jacksonville was losing much of its importance, and those who are not personally acquainted with the city and its resources are probably inclined to the belief that this city is not the direct point of distribution, but lies several miles from the real port.

Immediately upon his return from the convention at Atlanta, Secretary Richardson, of the Board of Trade, opened correspondence with Senators Taliaferro and Fletcher, relative to having the name of the port changed. It has been shown to the officials at Washington that the city of Jacksonville is entitled to credit for the shipment of lumber, and other commerce, and that to call this the "port of St. Johns" is misleading, and detrimental to the interests of the city. It is thought that there will be but little trouble in getting official action on the matter, and it is hoped that the next annual report of shipping statistics will show Jacksonville in its proper place as one of the most important shipping points on the Atlantic coast.

KRAFT PAPER COMPANY.

Gainesville, July 24.—The citizens of Gainesville and throughout the county are liberally subscribing for the stock of the Kraft Paper Company, the proposed factory for Greater Gainesville. Manager Williams is highly encouraged over the prospect of this large company, and he feels satisfied that the stock will be taken in sufficient quantities to start the work on the buildings and plant within a few months. The location selected for this mill is just north of the city, between the T. & J. railway and the Coast Line. The location of this plant for Gainesville means at least an increase in population of fully 2,000 people.

Fourteen Tons of Honey.

The Fort Pierce Tribune has received a letter from O. O. Poppleton, of Stuart, "the king bee of the East Coast," who is now on Key Largo with his colony of 200 hives, in which he states that he has just taken fourteen tons of honey from the island apiary and still has more in sight. He states: "So far as I know, this is the largest single crop of honey ever taken on the East Coast south of Titusville or on the keys." Mr. Poppleton travels with his bees from place to place, finding a new forage ground for them as seems advisable, thus keeping them busy. He is one of several Floridians who make a specialty of apiculture.

Artesian Wells.

Never in the history of Manatee county has there been as many artesian wells drilled as have been this summer. Vegetable growers realize that it is foolishness to attempt to plant without water. At the present rate it will only be a short time until every vegetable farm in the "Land of the Manatee" will have from one to three artesian wells.—Manatee Record.

Big Phosphate Elevator.

A report from Tampa, Fla., says that the Seaboard Air Line has had more applications for storage room at its new terminals at Grassy Island than it has space to accommodate. The phosphate elevators have been completed and are about to be put in use, while the terminals are also finished. The bridge is practically complete, according to a report quoting an officer of the road, and the electrical equipment is being installed. The Seaboard is extending new spurs to the phosphate rock quarry, and 80-pound rails are on the way to be laid between Tampa and Plant City.—Manufacturers' Record.

ELECTRIC ROAD ALONG EAST COAST.

There is a rumor afloat that a party of Chicago capitalists will build an electric railroad from Jacksonville to Miami and that freight and passengers will be delivered from Jacksonville to Miami in ten hours. The report further recites that the capital of this new company will be \$3,000,000. It is said that a prominent Chicago attorney will soon visit the East Coast section for the purpose of consulting with the different boards of trade and other organizations, to secure subscriptions and sell stock in the concern. It is claimed that the proposition has met with a hearty support all along the East Coast country.

NAVAL STORES MARKET.

Steady Advance in Prices of Turpentine During Week.—Rosins Have Fluctuated. The turpentine market during the past week has steadily improved. The quotations have ranged from 45 to 48 cents, closing at 48 cents on Saturday. The several features of the week's business in Savannah, as shown by the daily reports, are itemized in the table following:

	Prices.	Sales.	Receipts.	Shipments.
July 19	45½	1,013	617	5,053
July 20	45½-¾	379	1,074	65
July 21	45¾	933	929	306
July 22	46-46½	825	879	5,478
July 23	46¾-47	297	743	252
July 24	47½-48	745	950	553

ROSIN MARKET.

The rosin market for the past week has offered no feature of special importance, prices ranging only slightly higher than for some time past. The higher grades range from \$5.75 to \$6.00. The lower grades have fluctuated somewhat, as seen from the following table:

	Sales.	Receipts.	Shipments.	Stock.
July 19	1,886	1,681	5,956	144,551
July 20	3,172	3,209	293	147,457
July 21	2,283	2,317	735	147,039
July 22	3,025	2,429	8,987	142,481
July 23	1,952	2,085	1,152	143,414
July 24	2,489	3,332	6,890	139,856

COMPARATIVE PRICES (Savannah Market.)

Grade:	19th.	20th.	21st.	22nd.	23rd.	24th.
B	3.00-3.20	3.00-3.05	3.00-3.05	2.85-95	2.90-3.00	3.07½
D	3.20-25	3.15-25	3.15-20	3.00-15	3.15	3.25
E	3.60-70	3.60-70	3.60-70	3.55	3.55-60	3.65
F	3.80-90	3.75-85	3.75-85	3.70	3.65-75	3.80
G	3.85-95	3.80-95	3.80-90	3.75-80	3.75-90	3.85
H	4.00	4.00-4.20	4.00-4.20	4.00-20	4.00-4.22½	4.20
I	4.20	4.20-40	4.20	4.30	4.30	4.30
K	4.95-5.00	5.00-5.05	5.00	4.95-5.00	4.95-5.00	5.00
M	5.00-5.25	5.15-20	5.25-30	5.00-20	5.20	5.15
N	5.35	5.45-60	5.45-60	5.35-60	5.35-60	5.20-30
WG	5.65	5.70	5.70	5.45-70	5.45-70	5.25-50
WW	5.75	5.80	6.00	5.75-6.00	5.75-6.00	5.60

JACKSONVILLE QUOTATIONS.

The Jacksonville quotations, furnished daily by the Flynn-Harris Bullard Company, were as follows for the past week:

Turpentine: July 19, 45c; July 20, 45½c; July 21, 45½-45¾c; July 22, 46c; July 23, 46c; July 24, 47¾c.

Rosin:—

Grade:	19th.	20th.	21st.	22nd.	23rd.	24th.
B	2.90	3.00	3.05	3.00	3.07½	3.10
D	3.15	3.10	3.10	3.15	3.25	3.25
E	3.60	3.55	3.55	3.60	3.65	3.65
F	3.70	3.70	3.65	3.75	3.80	3.85
G	3.75	3.85	3.85	3.80	3.85	3.90
H	4.10	4.20	4.25	4.20	4.20	4.25
I	4.25	4.30	4.30	4.30	4.30	4.35
K	5.00	5.00	4.95	5.00	5.00	5.00
M	5.15	5.15	5.15	5.15	5.15	5.15
N	5.35	5.15	5.35	5.15	5.20	5.20
WG	5.50	5.20	5.40	5.20	5.25	5.25
WW	5.60	5.25	5.50	5.25	5.30	5.30

No reports of sales, shipments, receipts or stocks are furnished with the Jacksonville quotations on account of the American Naval Stores Company's Jacksonville branch refusing to give any information along these lines.