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HAPPENINGS ABOUT TOWN.

Mr. B. T. Perdue, of Ralm Beach, is in the city on a visit.

Mr. Merrill Wilcox, of Early Bird, was in Ocala Wednesday.

Mr. Joe Alford, of Louisburg, Tenn., is a pleasant visitor to our city.

Ask to see the swell "Fenway last" in the "Walk Over Shoe." To be had only at H. B. Masters'.

A new court house, a new government building, a new Episcopal church. Ocala is certainly stepping high.

Ask to see "Burt & Packard's" new line of shoes at H. B. Masters'. We have an extensive line of low quarters.

Mrs. Charles Watson, of Coleman, is visiting her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Walters, having arrived Wednesday.

Mrs. M. Handelsman has gone to New York to purchase the new goods for the Boston Store. She will be away for several weeks.

Mrs. Ed. L. Wartman, of Citra, and her guest, Mrs. H. H. Fudge of Atlanta, are in the city for a few days, and are the guests of Mrs. R. G. Blake.

For a medium price shoe you will do well to investigate the merits of the "Crimson Shoe." There is wear in it as well as style. "The house that treats you right" has the agency for it.

Miss Josephine Bullock entertained quite a number of her young friends at a Valentine party Tuesday afternoon at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Bullock. It was a very pretty party and the little folks had a very merry afternoon.

Mr. Brobston, the famous real estate dealer of Jacksonville, accompanied by his friend, Mr. Thompson of Cleveland, paid this office a pleasant call Wednesday. These gentlemen are registered at the Ocala House.

Wednesday morning about eight o'clock the fire alarm was sounded and fire was discovered to be on the roof of the house occupied by Mr. J. P. Galloway and family, belonging to Mr. H. A. Duebel. Only a portion of the roof was burned. The damage will amount to less than a hundred dollars, and is covered by insurance.

Bishop McCabe Corrects a Local Contemporary

Jacksonville, Feb. 13, 1905.

To the Editor of the Ocala Banner.
Do you ever correct misstatements in your paper? If so, please say what I said nothing about tons of gold but talents of gold, and I said nothing about Zaccheus, but Zechariah, who as one of the prophets who went with the captive Jews from Babylon to Jerusalem. Consult your Bible as follows: 1st Chronicles, 22-12, and also Zechariah 1st chapter.

It is singular how ignorant some editors and reporters are of the Bible.
Yours very truly,
C. C. McCABE.

[*If the bishop will adjust his glasses he will observe that these misstatements were not made in the Ocala Banner, but nevertheless it takes pleasure in making the correction.—Editor Banner.]

Concert Company.

The Mehtrens Concert company will appear at the Elks' Hall on the evening of February 22nd. The personnel of the company is as follows: Mrs. Laura Mehtrens, of Savannah, pianist; Rudolph Jacobson, the young Russian violinist, and Miss Percy Wickenberg, of Savannah, soprano soloist.
This company has received the most flattering press notices, both in this country and in Europe, and they come to our city with the highest recommendation. Be sure to hear them.

Milk Cow For Sale.
Scrub cow, good milk, young calf—grade, shorthorn. Z. C. Chambliss & Co. d6t w1t 2 8

WANT BROWN TO VACATE.

Committee Asks Governor to Declare Vacancy in Senate.

In response to the call of Chairman Baskin the Marion County Democratic Executive committee met in the court house Saturday afternoon.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Baskin, and the business for which the session was called was at once taken up.

Hon. W. K. Zewadski read a set of resolutions, but not being a member of the committee, it was formally offered to that body by Mr. E. W. Davis, of the first district, and the same was adopted as follows:

Whereas, in November, A. D. 1902, C. M. Brown, then a citizen and resident of Marion county, Florida, was duly elected as a state senator from the 29th senatorial district, said district being composed of the counties of Marion and Sumter, and whereas, since said election of the Hon. C. M. Brown as aforesaid, he, the said Brown, has permanently removed his residence from the district aforesaid and has removed to and settled in the county of Dade in the state of Florida, a county outside of the 29th senatorial district, therefore, be it

Resolved, By the democratic executive committee of Marion county, Florida, and representatives of the Sumter county, Florida, executive committee, that the office of state senator from the 29th senatorial district of Florida, is now vacant, and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be furnished to the governor of the state of Florida, requesting him to call a special election to fill such vacancy.

As there is not sufficient time before the meeting of the next session of the legislature for the holding of a primary to nominate a man to fill Mr. Brown's place, Committeeman Pritchett, of Candler, offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the chairman of this committee, in the event of an election being called by the governor to fill the vacancy caused by the change of residence of C. M. Brown, call a convention of the democratic voters of the county of Marion county and request delegates from Sumter to meet to nominate a candidate for state senator to fill said vacancy; the representation to be one delegate for every 20 votes or fraction over 10, based on the general election of 1904—each precinct casting less than 20 votes to have one delegate. The voters in each precinct to elect their delegates to said convention upon the call of the executive committeeman for said district. The chairman and secretary to make the appointments and notify each committeeman.

Mr. E. L. Carney presented two resolutions, but as this meeting was called for a special purpose it was thought best not to act upon them and they were withdrawn.

Roll call showed the following members present:

District 1, E. W. Davis; district 2, L. S. Light; district 4, J. L. B. Hudgens; district 6, W. L. Jordan; district 7, J. M. Douglass; district 9, E. L. Carney, proxy; district 10, Jno. T. Lewis; district 17, W. T. Forbes; district 19, H. S. Morrison, proxy; district 21, J. F. Barnett; district 24, Dr. J. G. Baskin; district 25, T. E. Pritchett; district 26, W. Luffman; district 27, R. W. Holliday; district 29, L. D. Stafford, proxy; district 30, D. A. Clark; Mr. Wade of Sumter county.

Quite a number of citizens were present at the meeting and the consensus of opinion seemed to be that Mr. Brown should gracefully resign his seat in the senate without forcing the people of Marion and Sumter counties to take the action above outlined.

Death of Miss King.

While en route from Ocala, Fla., on Southern passenger train, No. 13, Miss Mary King, a young lady of Fairfield, Ill., died suddenly Tuesday afternoon a short time before the train arrived in Atlanta. Miss King had been in ill health for some time and had gone to Florida earlier during the winter for the benefit of her health.—Atlanta Journal.

Miss King is the young lady who started from Ocala Monday. She was accompanied by her sister, Miss Nora King and Dr. A. L. Izlar.

\$75,000 GOVERNMENT

BUILDING FOR OCALA.

Mr. R. L. Anderson received a telegram Tuesday from Congressman Sparkman stating that the committee had reported an omnibus bill, which contained a provision for a \$75,000 government building in Ocala.

Our people feel grateful to Mr. Sparkman and he has certainly shown himself a friend to our city.

With a \$75,000 court house and a \$75,000 government building, all to be completed during the coming summer, Ocala will be in a position to put on some airs in a very little while.

Ocala's Variety Store

Messrs. Frank and Harris announce in today's paper that they will open their Variety Store tomorrow, February 18th.

We hope that these young men will receive their full share of patronage.

Mr. Marcus Frank, the senior member of the firm, is a young man of splendid business attainments and has had several years experience in the mercantile business and is a born merchant. He has been with the Boston Store during its successful career in Ocala.

Mr. Tom Harris, the junior member of the firm, was born in our city and has lived here all his life and is too well known to our readers to need an extended introduction.

The Variety Store expects to live up to its name and will keep everything in the mercantile line, except groceries.

Read their opening announcement which tells of their methods, aims and ambitions.

The Silver Tea.

The tea at the armory Wednesday afternoon under the auspices of the Home Mission society of the Methodist church was an exceedingly pleasant affair. The callers were welcomed by Mrs. Zewadski, Mrs. Johnson, Mrs. Potter and Mrs. Harris.

In the center of the room was the large serving table, which looked very pretty with a centerpiece of yellow jessamine and johnquills, from which was dispensed delicious hot chocolate, coffee and cake, by the following young ladies: Misses Sara Harris, Valeta Potter, Lutie Smith, Johnnie Liddon, Eloyse Izlar and Sue Barco. Mrs. W. M. Ross and Mrs. T. H. Willis poured the chocolate and coffee.

During the afternoon delightful music was rendered by Miss Mary Anderson, Miss Violet Harris, Mrs. G. D. Wright and Mrs. D. E. McIver. The tea was decidedly a social and financial success.

Of Interest to Theater Goers.

In response to a letter written by Manager Sylvester to the Old Farmer Hopking company, which will be at the opera house Saturday night, he received the following letter from Frank S. Davidson yesterday: "I shall do my best to arrive in Ocala by the first possible train. You may be assured that on whatever train we may come on we will get all our scenery on the stage by opening time. We carry a complete setting for each act and in such form that we can fold and fit it to any size stage, and you can guarantee its being used in its entirety on your stage. You shall have our best efforts in every way, and I thank you for your co-operation."

A New Real Estate Firm.

Those who read our advertising columns will have observed the new real estate agency of Mrs. Elizabeth V. Tompkins & Company.

Mrs. Tompkins, the senior member of the firm, predicts a great boom for Ocala, and of course great activity in real estate.

The new firm has many bargains, not only in property, but for investment. Call on them and be convinced.

BIRTHDAY DINNER PARTY.

Quite a brilliant social event of the week was the dinner party given by Mr. Martin J. Roess at the Ocala House Wednesday night in honor of his guest Mr. Fred Lewis, of Norfolk, Virginia.

February the fifteenth is Mr. Lewis' natal day and in celebration of the event Mr. Roess planned this charming evening.

At 6 o'clock at a very prettily appointed table, the guests were seated. There were covers for twelve and an elegant dinner was served in courses. The decorations of the table were the Cornell colors, red and white, both Mr. Roess and Mr. Lewis being Cornell students. Broad bands of red and white satin ribbon and sprays of smilax were prettily arranged on the table and in the center was a vase of red and white carnations. At each place were white carnations tied with red ribbon.

Mr. Roess' guests were Mrs. Rachael Roess, Mr. Fred Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. Cristy Welsh, Dr. W. H. Powers, Mr. T. H. Harris, Misses Lillian Roess, Violet Harris, Mary Anderson, Sue Barco and Sara Harris.

The conclusion of this lovely dinner party was a moonlight, trip to Silver Springs.

The young people thoroughly enjoyed the six mile drive over the hard road, and on reaching the springs embarked on the handsome new launch, the "Winona." And what can be more delightful than a moonlight trip down this beautiful, tortuous and serpentine stream. The moonlit sky above, the veil of moss that drapes the hoary forms of the old cypress and other beautiful trees, and the clear spring beneath all go to make up an exquisite picture that will linger long in the memories of these young people.

"Tis the southland's sweetest spot,
Famed in legend, song and story;
The Eden sweet, Decata sought,
When the Indian sang its glory."

The party went down this beautiful stream, that has been rightfully called the "Fairy's Mirror" for a number of miles and it was with great reluctance that they started homeward, arriving shortly after midnight. The evening from beginning to end was a most delightful and happy one.

Pirating Foley's Honey and Tar.

Foley & Co., Chicago, originated Honey and Tar as a throat and lung remedy, and on account of the great merit and popularity of Foley's Honey and Tar many imitations are offered for the genuine. Ask for Foley's Honey and Tar and refuse any substitute offered as no other preparation will give the same satisfaction. It is mildly laxative. It contains no opiates and is safest for children and delicate persons. Post Office Drug Store.

Disaolution of Partnership.

Ocala, Fla., Feb. 11th, 1905.
The firm of McNealy & Moriarty, by mutual consent has this day dissolved, J. McNealy purchasing Moriarty's interest and assuming all indebtedness of the firm, and will continue business at same place, No. 12, Ft. King avenue.

McNEALY & MORIARTY.

A Menace to Health.

Kidney trouble is an insidious danger, and many people are victims of a serious malady before the symptoms are recognized. Foley's Kidney Cure corrects irregularities and strengthens and builds up the kidneys, and it should be taken at the first indication of kidney trouble, as it is impossible to have good health if the kidneys are deranged. Post-officed Drug Store.

Tomato Plants For Sale.

A limited number of plants saved from the freeze, Acme and Beauty, should be 8 to 10 inches high by Feb. 20, best seed, \$1.75 per M. 5000 lots \$1.65. Cash with order. Egg plants \$3.50 per M. J. R. Davis, Bartow, Fla. 2-12 6td-2tw

FOLEY'S KIDNEY CURE
For Kidneys and Bladder

COTTON IN MARION COUNTY.

To the Editor of the Ocala Banner:

I have been somewhat surprised to find that one of the most promising source of profit to our farmers in this county (and doubtless others) had never been developed to any great extent. That the great southern money producer has been so prominently neglected, is, perhaps, due to several reasons. First, the people lost sight of every other resource in the great craze over the semi-tropical fruits. These gave promise of a "get-rich-quick-and-easy" method and for a time the golden dream appeared to fulfill the promise. The freeze crushed out at one blow these easy hopes, and with them also crushed out the energy and "get up" of the people. It took time to recover, and in the shuffle the people seem to have lost sight of the great possibilities of the southern gin.

Second, before the war Sea Island, or Florida long staple cotton, was the only kind cultivated here, and since the war what little cotton is planted is of the same variety. In my opinion it is a big mistake for our planters to neglect this great staple, and also a mistake to plant the Sea Island variety. It is a mistake to depend so largely on fruits and vegetables, which are so perishable in their nature, and which must be thrust upon the market when ready, whether the market is high or low, which one fact alone makes the profitable growing of them so uncertain, and neglect the great staple of the world, which can be held as long as one wishes to catch a market which will give a profit over the cost of production.

I see no reason in the world why Ocala could not develop into a big cotton market, and if it can be done it will put more life into the commercial interests of the city and more money in the pockets of the planters and farmers, and in general circulation, than any other one thing that we can encourage and develop.

This depends on our farmers, but when they evince a desire to work up to it they should receive all the encouragement possible from the merchants in the county. All that is needed is a beginning by our most progressive farmers, and as soon as results are seen all of the farmers, big and little, will soon see that it is the best crop that they can cultivate to put money in their pockets. Cotton is money—has always a cash value—don't spoil by holding until you wish to put it on the market—can be made for a great deal less than vegetables. I am satisfied that it will grow well here. Climate and soil are both suited to its successful production. Our geographical situation in relation to the great canal which will handle the Oriental trade, promises great things for the Gulf states, and the world demand, ever increasing, for the great staple admonishes Florida people to be up and doing. God has given us many rich resources, and if we have it in us we can reap a golden harvest and make Florida one of the greatest and richest of the states.

How shall we make a beginning in the agricultural line? Plant some cotton. Not the Sea Island variety, but a fine grade of short cotton. I see something in the papers about the Florodora. I know nothing about that, but I do know of a cotton, now cultivated to a considerable extent in middle South Carolina, known as Simm's Silk. It is a cotton which classes between the best grade of short cotton and Sea Island. It is a thrifty grower and prolific bearer, and has always found a waiting market at a price from three to five cents more per pound more than the regular short cotton quotations. It is nothing unusual for it to produce from twelve to fifteen hundred pounds of seed cotton per acre, on fairly good lands, with from 200 to 300 pounds of proper commercial fertilizers per acre, if the se-

sons are favorable and the cultivation good. It will give out 500 pounds of lint from 1350 to 1400 pounds of seed cotton, and from that about 28 or 30 bushels of cotton seed. These are worth from 20 to 30 cents per bushel f. o. b. for the cotton oil mills. The cost of raising and marketing this cotton is at least one-third, or more, less than the Sea Island varieties, and leaves a much larger margin for profit. It is ginned on the regular short cotton saw gins, and a good ginnyer will take the seed cotton from the wagon, by suction, and deliver you a well ginned and packed bale every twenty minutes.

Anyone who now has a long staple gin and plant can put in a 60 saw gin and press to match for quite a small cost, and until the planting becomes large one such gin conveniently located could gin the crop. When it becomes more general, then gins in a number of communities will be needed and no doubt erected, for they make a good profit ginning at \$1 per 500 pound bale, when they can keep busy through the season. When the amount of cotton raised is sufficient, then we can put in an oil mill, and utilize the seed for oil, cotton-seed meal and hulls.

Now, I want every farmer in the county to go into it. Not depend entirely on it, for I believe thoroughly in diversifying crops. Make all the grain and provisions you need, and some to spare, but make a start on the short cotton, and enlarge as you see how it succeeds. If the cotton is planted, the gin will be erected, and in time the mill. It will revolutionize things in this county, once it is gone into right. It will bring prosperity, increase the value of farm lands, as well as bring good settlers to the county. Try the Simmon's silk seed, and let us build up the farming interests and with it every other industry. I have great confidence in it.

L. T. I.
P. S.—Don't let our farmer friends imagine I have Simmon's silk seed for sale. I have not, but can tell you where you can order from—I am going to get some for myself.

The New Proprietor of the Fair.

By reference to our advertising columns it will be seen that Mr. R. C. Carter has purchased the grocery establishment from Mr. B. L. Hill, known as the Fair.

Mr. Carter is from Valdosta, and has all the enterprise and activity for which the average Valdosta citizen is proverbial.

For the past four years Mr. Carter has been living at Citra and has been in the employ of the Atlantic Coast Line railway. He casts his citizenship with Ocala because he believes it to be a growing city with a bright future awaiting it. He is going to endeavor to grow as the city grows, and has adopted for his motto what he says in his advertisement: that for every one hundred cents spent with him the customer shall receive one hundred cents in value in return. We take great pleasure in commending Mr. Carter to the good fellowship of our citizens.

50 Per Cent Reduction

In Price of Grafted

Pecan Trees.

All Standard Varieties. Order before stock is exhausted. Send for Price List.

Bear's Pecan Nurseries, Palatka, Fla. 10-24t



FOLEY'S HONEY AND TAR
For children's coughs, croup, hoarseness