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## PLAN FOR DISTRIBUTION OF IMMIGRATION

### A NEW BUREAU IS PROPOSED

Commissioner Sargent, at Conference With Railroad Men, Outlines His Plan—Better Facilities for New Orleans and Ellis Island—An Attempt to be Made to Break Up Alien Colonies in Cities

An important conference was held yesterday at the Bureau of Immigration, and a delegation of railroad men, representing the passenger departments of railroads of the South. The conference was held for the purpose of discussing the distribution of immigrants. The railroad men present were: A. H. Hansana of the Illinois Central, C. L. Stone of the Louisville and Nashville, John M. Beall of St. Louis, W. L. Danley of Nashville, W. H. Layton and M. V. Richards of the Southern Railway, W. J. Craig of the Atlantic Coast Line, Geo. H. Smith of New Orleans, W. L. Glessner of the Georgia Southern and Florida, and J. W. White of the Seaboard Air Line.

Primarily, the railroad men desired to consider with Commissioner Sargent the distribution through the South of immigrants arriving at the port of New Orleans, and, if possible, to arrange for facilities for the handling of a large number of immigrants at that port. Mr. Sargent told his callers that such facilities as were necessary would be provided at New Orleans; that consideration already had been given to the problem of increasing the facilities there, and that the question was in a fair way to be worked out satisfactorily.

### Bureau of Information

Commissioner Sargent embraced the opportunity to outline to his callers his views regarding the distribution of immigrants, not only through the South, but also through other parts of the United States. He proposes, if Congress will give him the power, to establish at the Ellis Island immigrant station in New York Bay a bureau where arriving immigrants may obtain authentic information regarding the possibilities of employment in all parts of the country. Information will be obtainable at the bureau concerning not only all sorts of employment which immigrants are likely to want, but also concerning the cost of land in the various states, where it is located, and what its products are. It is Commissioner Sargent's idea that states desiring immigration be invited to make displays of their products and advantages in the bureau, and, if deemed desirable, to have agents at the bureau to supply the immigrants, under direction of United States officers, such detailed data as may be needed.

The commissioner informed his callers that he hoped by the adoption of this plan to break up, to some extent at least, the alien colonies now forming in New York and in other large cities, particularly cities in the East. He said that he regards these colonies, as they are being constituted at present, as un-American in principle, and dangerous in practice, whereas if the immigrants could be distributed somewhat evenly through the country and given reasonable opportunity for employment their residence in this country might prove good for them and for the nation.

### Federal Supervision

The plan, he pointed out, necessarily would have to be under the absolute supervision of the national government in order to insure perfect impartiality and strict honesty in dealing with the immigrants. He informed his callers that the government would not sanction any advertising by Americans in Europe for immigration to certain sections. The flood of immigration, he said, now is heavy enough, the problem being how properly to distribute the immigrants who annually are arriving at ports of the United States.

While no definite conclusions were reached at the conference, the railroad men expressed their satisfaction with the suggestions of Commissioner Sargent and cordially approved of his plan. They will lend their aid to secure enactment of necessary legislation

by Congress. Mr. Sargent informed his callers he thought the South afforded excellent opportunities for immigrants.—Washington Post, Dec. 13, 1904.

## A GROWING CONCERN

### The Commercial Bank Doubling Its Deposits.

The Commercial Bank yesterday voted to increase its capital stock from \$50,000 to \$100,000, the increase being due to the great business which this substantial banking institution has enjoyed since its organization and a desire to increase its usefulness.

The business of the bank has been excellent, and especially during the past eighteen months. It has always occupied an important part in the business life of a growing city and state, and is today one of the most reliable as well as one of the best conducted banking houses in the South.

This bank was organized in November, 1893, and since that time it has been identified with the city's commercial interests in a most important capacity. Its organizer was Dr. Henry Robinson, and he has conducted that institution with the same success through Jacksonville's prosperous seasons, as well as her seasons of misfortunes, always guarding the interests which it represented and cared for as well as the credit of the city. When first established it was located at the corner of Main and Forsyth streets. In 1897 it was moved to its present location, and like many of the other institutions of its kind, went through the great fire, but was re-established in business as soon as possible. It is now enjoying a most prosperous career, and is one of the most popular banks in the city.

### The Officers

Its corps of efficient officers are Dr. Henry Robinson, president; W. B. Owen, vice president; H. Gaillard, cashier, and O. Wittschen, assistant cashier.

The efficiency of the officers of this bank has been recognized by the other banking houses of Jacksonville, which selected this bank as the headquarters for the Jacksonville clearance house, and for several years this important commercial interest has been in charge of this bank, and has been admirably conducted.

The president expresses his gratitude to the customers of his bank, and in a card published elsewhere guarantees them the same care in looking after their accounts as they have exercised in the past.

The last statement of this bank shows it to be in a most prosperous condition. The last statement was issued at the close of business the last day of last year. It follows:

Last Financial Statement	
Loans, discounts and mortgages.....	\$490,911.84
Overdrafts.....	2,350.50
Bonds and stocks.....	37,594.08
Real estate.....	9,453.10
Furniture and fixtures.....	9,000.63
Due from banks.....	160,107.33
Cash on hand.....	88,329.11
Total.....	\$797,751.94
Liabilities—	
Capital stock.....	\$ 50,000.00
Surplus and undivided profits	37,885.87
Deposits.....	689,866.07
Rediscouunts.....	20,000.00
Total.....	\$797,751.94

Included among the firms which do business with this bank are the leading business enterprises of Jacksonville and the state. The bank enjoys the confidence of the business people of Jacksonville to a remarkable degree, and has a bright future before it.—Jacksonville Times-Union.

### Perfect Confidence.

Where there used to be a feeling of uneasiness and worry in the household when a child showed symptoms of croup, there is now perfect confidence. This is owing to the uniform success of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in the treatment of that disease.

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Mr. K. McPherson, who has been with Messrs. McIver & MacKay for the past year has resigned his position and is now with Messrs. Rheinauer & Company. Mr. McPherson came to this city about a year ago from Glasgow, Scotland, and being more conversant with the dry goods business than any other has decided to follow that line. He is a man of much experience in this line and as a window dresser is an expert.

The next and last regular visit to Ocala of Dr. E. T. Allen, eye and ear surgeon, will be Thursday, February 23.

**FOLEY'S HONEY AND TAR**

## OCALA.

### Her Growth is Onward and Upward—New Buildings and New Businesses Visible in all Directions

A drive or walk about the city will show that Ocala is moving steadily forward. There is no step backward in any direction. Everywhere there are signs of improvement.

The Ocala Foundry and Machine Works is making rapid progress on its new buildings and in themselves they resemble a miniature city. When completed this will be the largest enterprise of the kind south of Jacksonville. The buildings cover an immense area and the facilities for loading and unloading cars are perfect, special sidetracks under shelter being arranged for the purpose.

This portion of the city is rapidly becoming a wholesale and manufacturing center. Near the foundry are the large warehouses of the Tea Pot Grocery and the H. B. Masters store, which are check a block with goods. Nearby are also the ice and packing plants of Messrs. Meffert & Taylor and the Benjamin Brothers. Also the crate and basket factory of Messrs. Meffert & Taylor; the gas works; the spoke & rim factory and the barrel factory, all having an excellent trade.

A little further removed near the Seaboard Air Line is the McKean Lumber Company, which is already by an increase of business compelled to erect new buildings and although but recently started, their sales amount to several thousand dollars per week.

The Ocala Steam Laundry in another part of the city is showing great activity and doing enough work to keep employed regularly twenty-five or thirty hands.

The city electric lightplant has put in new boilers and is making preparations to put in new dynamos and will soon be in a position to supply the constant demand for more lights. There are already on file orders for two thousand incandescent lights and the commercial and arc lights will also be increased.

There are a number of residences just completed and in the course of construction, and others being remodelled and repainted and the number of new stores is keeping step with our increasing population.

Real estate is changing hands and two large real estate agencies have recently been organized. The merchants are buying larger stocks; the railway freight depots are employing a larger force; indeed, every class of business is improving and everything indicates that Ocala is a growing city.

If she can get the equal freight rates she is making a fight for she will soon measure strength with Jacksonville and Tampa.

### A Syrian Visitor.

The city of Ocala has recently entertained as a visitor a woman of remarkable energy and an interesting history—Sister Helena, the principal of the church orphanage on Mount Lebanon, Syria, Palestine. She is traveling through the United States in order to raise a fund to endow the orphanage, and she has the endorsement of the American and English consuls of Beirut, as well as of the church authorities. The response to her appeal has been very generous everywhere, and in Ocala she made many friends. She left for Tampa Tuesday.

The persecutions of the Christians of Syria has been a source of outrage on the civilized nations of the world for centuries, and there is a feeling that sooner or later the nations must take some steps to save these people from outrage and massacre. The orphanage on Mount Lebanon is filled with the children of the victims of Turkish tyranny and misrule.

### A Big Souquet.

Speaking about throwing bouquets, how is the following from a well known Florida editor, written to Mrs. Beatrice Marean: "I am pleased that you chose the Ocala Banner to bring out your story, for it is not only the best and most ably edited paper in the state, but is most widely read."

**FOLEY'S KIDNEY CURE**

# A Cracker Barometer

A common soda cracker is as susceptible to atmospheric change as a barometer. That's why crackers bought in a bag taste worse one time than another. That's why you could never get a really good soda cracker until the National Biscuit Company made **Uneeda Biscuit** and protected them with air tight packages. Now, it makes no difference whether it's clear or rainy; dry or moist; warm or cold; you can enjoy at their best, the best crackers, the best bakers ever baked, by simply asking for

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### The "Si Plunkard" Company.

Mr. J. C. Lewis and his all-star aggregation presented the beautiful rural drama, "Si Plunkard," to a large and appreciative audience at the Marion opera house Saturday evening.

Judging from the frequent encores and curtain calls every one present was thoroughly pleased with the performance, and they had reason to be, as it is seldom that Ocala theatregoers have the privilege of witnessing a more realistic play.

One of the main "catchy" features of the show is the "stick" parade under the musical direction of Prof. Charles E. Ackley. Mr. Ackley, while yet a young man, ranks among the foremost in his profession, and has surrounded himself with some of the best musicians on the road, who never fail to make a "hit" on the streets or in the orchestra.

Ocalaites will welcome them again.

### Another Case of Rheumatism Cured by Chamberlain's Pain Balm.

The efficacy of Chamberlain's Pain Balm in the relief of rheumatism is being demonstrated daily. Parker Triplett, of Grigsby, Va., says that Chamberlain's Pain Balm gave him permanent relief from rheumatism in the back when everything else failed, and he would not be without it. For sale by all druggists. m

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whisky, the analysis of which shows it to contain:

Alcohol (by weight), per cent.....	36.66
Alcohol (by volume), per cent.....	43.61
Degree proof, per cent.....	87.10
Residue on evaporation, p cent.....	0.660
Ash, per cent.....	0.011
Reducing sugar, per cent.....	0.225
Volatile acids, per cent.....	0.027
Amyl alcohol (fusel oil), per cent.....	0.073

The above results show the whisky to be a carefully blended brand of high grade and that it has been distilled from a clean, pure grain mash. The amount of fusel oil and of volatile acids is very low.

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