THE MARION COUNTY FAIR

(Written for the Ocala Banner.)

On the 24th of November our Fair begins,
When the boys and girls will all come with grins;
Some dressed in pink, and green, and "yaller," too,
Which makes us feel happy clear through and through.

They tell us that the merry-go-round
On the ground will surely be found,
Where boys and girls can quietly hug
As they sit in their seats so gay and snug.

The "ocean-wave" they do say and declare
Will entertain the lads and lassies there;
That sail high up in the balmy breezes,
Where you and "ju-larker" can enjoy squeezes.

There will be candy and peanuts by the peck,
And such crack-o'-jack you'd never expect,
So come and let us go hand in hand
And march to the fair-ground with the band.

ANONYMOUS.

PEANUT CULTURE IN FLORIDA

It sometimes happens through the failure of some crop or lack of help at the proper time that a farmer finds he can make a late fall crop to pay him, if he could make up his mind what crop would be most suitable. Now a crop af peanuts comes in at that time to fill up a gap very satisfactorily.

I have often planted a crop of the Spanish variety of peanuts in August which made a better crop than the spring planted one. In fact, a fall planting of this crop is the most desirable in every way, for the spring crop ripens when the prevailing condition of the weather is wet, when the crop comes to maturity, it being sprouting immediately. Now soil conditions as generally prevailing when the fall planted crop comes to maturity are dry, which admits of successful harvesting of the crop without much loss.

In the general rotation of crops, peanuts should follow small grains or beans of any kind, and I have had several successful crops by planting them in the water furrow of the corn rows after the corn was shocked, by bedding up the middles very low, fertilizing well and planting on the bed. But whichever may be adopted or whatever the rotation may be, the soil must be well and deeply plowed and a good seed bed made. This, next to the quality and quantity of fertilizer used, is the most important thing about the making of he crop.

The quality of the fertilizer used and the method of application are the main points in successful crop production of any kind. Peanuts are nitrogen gatherers, and store quite a lot of this most useful element in their roots, but they cannot do this until the vines get well on to maturity, so that we must have nitrogen in the fertilizer to give the crop a start. Some farmers contend that all we wan tis phosphoric acid, but potash cuts a more important figure in the success or non-success of a peanut crop than either nitrogen or phosphoric acid, for potash is the cap sheaf that finishes off to perfection what the other elements began, and unless there is enough of it to go around the cap sheaf will be of a very inferior quality and small production. A good fertilizer that could be called a well balanced ration would analyze 3 per cent. nitrogen, 5 per cent. phosphoric acid, and at least 7 per cent. potash. To get this, the farmer will have to do his own mixing, which is the coming method among our most progressive farmers. For this purpose to get a ton of this mixture to analyze as above, he would require 200 pounds high grade cotton seed meal, 800 pounds 14 per cent. phosphoric acid, and about 300 pounds muriate of potash. This mixture thoroughly compounded and applied broadcast at the rate of 800 pounds per acre will prove a good investment in the making of a peanut crop.

The further cultivation of the crop should be shallow. The land must be kept clean and hills planted three feet apart will soon meet in the row. When blooms set the hills should be gone over and flattened out with the back of a hoe and some soil thrown on the crown of the plant. This process tends to increase the production in that it secures soil for the small spikes that form after the bloom and seeks the soil to make the nut in, for if the plants are thrifty and vigorous some of the higher blooms on the plant will prove unproductive if not treated in this way.

When it comes to harvesting the crop the whole plant should be pulled up by the roots, thrown into windrows to wilt and the second day stacked against a pole in the field. In this way the nut and vine cure out thoroughly in a few weeks.

Take it all in all, there are very few crops on the southern farm that pay better than the peanut crop, whether planted in the spring as a main crop, or in mid-summer as a catch crop, but thorough preparation and plenty of fertilizer of the proper grade is necessary to secure success in this as in all other crops we grow.

C. K. McQUARRIE.

WOULD LINCOLN HAVE BEEN LINCOLN?

What would modern educational experts have made of Lincoln, if, as a baby, he had been put in their care? They would probably have started him on sterilized milk, clothed him in disinfected garments, sent him to a kindergarten where he would have learned to weave straw-mats and sing about the Blue Bird on the Branch. Then the dentist would have straightened his teeth, the oculist would have fitted him with glasses, and in the primary grade he would have been taught by pictures and diagrams the difference between a cow and a pig, and through nature study he would have learned that the catbird did not lay kittens. By the time he was eight he would have become a "young gentleman;" at ten he would know more than the old folks at home; at twelve or fourteen he would have taken up manual training, and within two years make a rolling-pin and tie it with a blue ribbon. In the high school at sixteen, where in four years he would learn that Mars was the reputed son of Juno, and to recite a stanza from "The Lady of the Lake." Then to college, where he would have joined the Glee Club and a Greek Letter Fraternity, smoked cigarettes and graduated, and then become a clerk in a banker's office; and never, never do anyone any harm! Well—perhaps—we don't know and can't tell what might have been, but we can't help feeling thankful that Lincoln's training and education were left to Nancy Hanks—and God.—Exchange.

THE SUNSHINE TRIO

Castro, Hamid and the Shah—gayest bunch you ever saw. Where Salt River waters foam, they have made their sylvan home, far from all the grief and groan, of the palace and the throne; far from all the stress and strife, clinging to the Simple Life; far removed from busy mart, they are close to nature's heart; hand in hand they form a ring, on the river's shore and sing: "We're the jolly Cheer Up Guys! Grief is foolish, joy is wise! Once we clung to robe and crown, but we'll try to live it down! Scepters all are out of plumb, thrones are strictly on the bum; power's the shadow of a shade, fame is circus lemonade! Harem life is stale and flat, women all become so fat. Nothing human is worth while—nothing but the Cheer Up smile, nothing but the joyous song that we carol all day long. We're the happy Cheer Up Kids, joyous as the katydids; come and join us queens and kings; Fire your crowns and kindred things; come and join our merry ring, come and dance with us and sing; gladness is our only law—Castro, Hamid and the Shah!"—Walt Mason in Poet Philosopher.

WHY SO FEW MARRIAGES?

It is not because men are so selfish and women not enough natural to be attractive that the number of marriages is decreasing. The present economic conditions make it impossible for people at a marriageable age to get married.

Matrimonial blessings are not to be enjoyed unless the means of subsistence are provided. Our employers, as a rule, care very little about the welfare of their employees, and fix their salaries at such a standard that young men make only enough to support themselves.

The great social instinct driving young people of opposite sexes together is alive, but economic conditions discourage a young man nowadays, and make him unwillingly think of bachelorhood.—H. H. in New York World.

SHE KNEW

The Man—You don't know how beautiful you are.

The Girl—Look here, I've a mirror, and I've known other men. What I don't know is, how rich you are. Do you want to talk business?—Cleveland Leader.

AFTER THE TITLE

It will make no difference to Miss Anita Stewart of New York that the courts of Italy have declared her fiance, Prince Miguel de Braganza, a bankrupt. He still has his title, and that is what she is marrying him for.—Kissimmee Gagette.

WASHINGTON'S PLAGUE SPOTS lie in the low, marshy bottoms of the Potomac, the breeding ground of malaria germs. These germs cause chills, fever and ague, biliousness, jaundice, lassitude, weakness and general debility and bring suffering or death to thousands yearly. But Electric Bitters never fail to destroy them and cure malaria troubles. "They are the best all round tonic and cure for malaria I ever used," writes R. M. James, of Louellen, S. C. They cure stomach, liver, kidney and blood troubles and will prevent typhoid. Try them, 50c. Guaranteed by Tydings & Co. m

I say, do your drinking at Hogan's Place. There you find pure goods. Hogan, the mail order man. x

HE HAD STRUCK THE WEATHER FIEND

One hot day last week a young man dressed in thin clothes entered a Center avenue car, and seating himself next to a stout old gentleman, said pleasantly:

"Pretty warm, isn't it?"

"What's pretty warm?"

"Why, the weather."

"What weather?"

"Why, this weather."

"Well' how's this different from any other weather?"

"Well, it's warmer."

"How do you know it is?"

"I suppose it is."

"Isn't the weather the same everywhere?"

"Why, no—no; it's warmer in some places and it's colder in others."

"What makes it warmer in some places than it's colder in others?"

"Why, the sun; the effect of the sun's heat."

"Makes it colder in some places than it's warmer in others? Never heard of such a thing."

"No, no, no. I didn't mean that. The sun makes it warmer."

"Then what makes it colder?"

"I believe it's the ice."

"What ice?"

"Why the ice—the ice—the ice that was frozen by the frost."

"Have you ever seen any ice that wasn't frozen?"

No—that is, I believe I haven't."

"Then, what are you talking about?"

"I was just trying to talk about the weather."

"And what do you know about it—what do you know about the weather?"

"Well, I thought I knew something, but I see I don't, and that's a fact."

"No, sir, I should say you didn't. Yet you come into this car and force yourself upon the attention of a stranger and begin to talk about the weather as though you owned it, and I find you don't know a solitary thing about the matter you yourself selected for a topic of conversation. You don't know one thing about meteorological conditions, principles, or phenomena; you can't tell me why it is warm in August and cold in December; you don't know why icicles form faster in the sunlight than they do in the shade; you don't know why the earth grows colder as it comes nearer the sun; you can't tell why a man can be sunstruck in the shade; you can't tell me how a cyclone is formed nor how the trade winds blow; you couldn't find the calm-center of a storm if your life depended on it; you don't know what a sirocco is nor where the southwest monsoon blows; you don't know the average rainfall in the United States for the past and current year; you don't know why the wind dries up the ground more quickly than a hot sun; you don't know why the dew falls at night and dries up in the day; you can't explain the formation of fog; you don't know one solitary thing about the weather, and you are just like a thousand and one other people who always begin talking about the weather because they don't know anything else, when, by the Aurora Borealis, they know less about the weather than they do about anything else in the world, sir."—Pittsburg Gazette-Times.

SAVED FROM A WATERSPOUT

The big fishing smack James Potter, Captain Frank Rotando, sailing in the Savarese fleet, was overhauled and nearly destroyed by a monster waterspout some twelve miles south of Egmont Key last Thursday. Prompt action on the part of Captain Rotando as the waterspout bore down on the schooner,, saved the vessel from total destruction. He secured his revolver and began firing at the base of the spout, and so broke it when it was but twenty feet from the stern of the Potter. The vessel had just begun to answer the strong suction of the spout when the shots broke it. Captain Rotando declares that the spout was higher than the vessel's mast. It made up quickly and swept down on them in a few minutes. No damage was done the vessel, but in a minute or so more, if the shots had not broken its base, the spout would have engulfed the schooner.. The most notable instance of a waterspout bearing down upon a craft in this vicinity occurred about fifteen years ago, when the steamer Ella Knight, Cap.t James McKay, was partly wrecked at the cattle dock near Ballast Point. The Ella Knight was tied up at the dock, bow inshore, and the waterspout struck her stern, doing considerable damage.—Tampa Times.

GOOD MANAGEMENT

"That widow is a good manager, isn't she?"

"Manager? I should say so. She got that house of hers practically fixed up like new for nothing."

"How did she manage it?"

"She was engaged to the carpenter till all the woodwork was finished, and then she broke it off and married the plumber."—Baltimore American.

TILGHMAN'S CONDITION POWDER

SALT-SICK

THE ONLY KNOWN CURE FOR SALT-SICK IN CATTLE PROVEN BY TEST OF MANY YEARS TO BE THE BEST MEDICINE ON THE MARKET FOR DISEASE IN STOCK OF ALL KINDS RESTORES APPETITE AND HEALTH AND MAKES THEM FAT AND VIGOROUS TILGHMAN'S IS NOT A FOOD BUT PURELY A STOCK MEDICINE GIVE IT A TRIAL AND SAVE YOUR ANIMALS. PRICE 25 CENTS A PACKAGE FOR SALE BY ALL RETAIL DRUGGISTS MANUFACTURED BY ACKERMAN & STEWART, PALATKA, FLA.

YOU KNOW IT BY THE COW

MOSQUITO EXTERMINATION IN NEW JERSEY

Professor John B. Smith, head of the New Jersey state entomological experiment station, has just finished a tour of inspection of five counties where the lowlands, salt marshes and meadows have been drained, to rid them of mosquitoes, and the unanimous testimony of the residents interviewed was that the salt water mosquito has been practically eliminated. The counties which have been rid of the pest are Essex, Union, Middlesex, Monmouth and Ocean, the most popular counties in the state. Altogether in the six years since the campaign of mosquito extermination began ten thousand acres of land have been drained, at an expense of $5 an acre, and not only have the mosquitoes been exterminated, but the land has been rendered valuable for agricultural purposes. In carrying on the work, Professor Smith has also acquired much fresh knowledge regarding the life history of the salt water mosquito. So successful has been the campaign that Professor Smith now has the enthusiastic support of local associations of tax payers in carrying on the work, though in the beginning he worked practically alone.

CONDITION OF PUBLIC ROADS

Mazie, Fla., Aug. 19, 1909.

To the Editor Ocala Banner:

We feel it a duty we owe the public to warn them if they have occasion to travel the roads in this section of the country to be sure and take some rations with them, and will warn the automobilists to steer clear of what was once called the public roads—now public gullies. We had occasion a few days ago to pass over the roads for a distance of six or more miles, and we were out of the road lots of the time, and we were forced to pass through the gullies in several places. We did find one piece of road that we call good, and that commences at Flemington and for a mile and a half going east it is all right, and we hope the county commissioners will vote the builders their thanks for the same. I believe I will make a motion that all hard road building be suspended for the present and all the money available for roads be applied in putting the public roads in a passable condition.

GEORGE M. BLITCH.

There ought to be a foundation stone that commercial floods, panics and disasters cannot wash away.

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

By virtue of an execution issued out of and under the seal of the circuit court in and for Marion county, Florida, dated August 18th, A. D. 1909, in a certain cause wherein Tiller and Harp & Co., are plaintiffs, and Smith Bros., are defendants, I have levied upon and will, on

Monday, October 4th, 1909,

between the hours of eleven o'clock a. m., and two o'clock p. m., in front of the west door of the court house in Ocala, Florida, offer for sale and will sell for cash to the highest bidder the following described property, to-wit: One well digging outfit with engine attached, two boxes of tools, three pipe tongs, two jack screws, and about two hundred feet of iron pipe. Being sold to satisfy said execution and all costs.

JOHN P. GALLOWAY,
Sheriff Marion County, Florida.
HOCKER & DUVAL,
Plaintiff's Attorneys. 8-27.

NOTICE

In the Circuit Court of the Fifth Judicial Circuit of Florida in and for Marion County—In Chancery.

Neil M. Allred, Complainant, vs. W. W. Clyatt, et al, Defendants—Order for Constructive Service.

It is ordered that the defendants herein named, to-wit: Lillias B. Palmer, Gabriel T. Palmer, W. W. Haynes, John C. Allred and Marvin D. Allred, be and they are hereby required to appear to the bill of complaint filed in this cause on or before

Monday, the 1st Day of November, 1909

It is further ordered that a copy of this order be published once a week for eight consecutive weeks in the Ocala Banner, a newspaper published in said county and state.

This 26th day of August, 1909.

(Seal.) S. T. SISTRUNK,
Clerk Circuit Court, Marion Co., Fla.
C. L. SISTRUNK,
Complainant's Solicitor. 8-27

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given to all creditors, distributees and all other persons having claims or demands against the estate of Frank D. Roberts, deceased, to present the same to the undersigned, duly authenticated, within one year from this date.

Dated, Levon, Florida, August 2, 1909. MARY V. ROBERTS,
As Administratrix of the Estate of Frank D. Roberts, Deceased. 8-6-8t

TO HOLD A CONFERENCE

A dispatch from New York City says that with a view of building up a democratic state organization such as existed in the times of Seymour and Tilden, 900 democrats will meet in the convention hall at Saratoga on September 9 and 10 for the purpose of defining the principles of democracy and establishing the issues which the democratic party believes confronts the people of that state at present.

The movement was begun in New York City early in the year, and after frequent conferences a final preliminary conference was held in the Hotel Eyck, Albany, on July 8. Already representative democrats from forty of the sixty-one counties of that state have signed the call for the state democratic convention, or conference, which it has been determined to hold in Saratoga. Not until then will it be known fully just who has joined in this movement. The aid of Mayor McClellan of New York and of Mayor Adams of Buffalo is expected.

David B. Hill is at Watch Rock, R. I., and it is stated thta he will not be openly prominent in the movement,, but it is said further that Mr. Hill's up-state friends are firm advocates of the proposed conference. Judge Alton B. Parker will attend the conference and so will D. Cady Herrick.

The Index is informed that the above is merely preliminary to a gathering of democrats from all over the country, to be held next year in one of the states of the west, with a view to finding out if possible the best thing to do to give the democrats a fighting chance in the fall elections of 1910.—Lake City Index.

IS THERE SUCH ANGER IN CELESTIAL MINDS?

There are some indications that the Hon. William A. Blount may be playing the role of "Coldfeetto the Monk" as depicted in comic supplements.

Mid a booming of cannon and blare of trumpets his candidacy was formally launched upon the political sea over a month ago, but it is now believed by many well posted Floridians that Mr. Blount is a "quitter," or that he really never seriously contemplated making the race.

Only celestial minds attempt to dive into the unfathomable mysteries of such spectacular announcements, and divine the succeeding darkness to this resplendant aurora borealis, and so we have fervently implored the auguries of another of those heavenly agencies—a railroad attorney—and he has assured us that the method in the madness of Mr. Blount was only to overawe the candidacy of some of the lesser lights of west Florida and give to Hon Stephen M. Sparkman "an open field and a fair fight."

And so we ask in the words of that illustrious Latin poet: "Tantene animis celestribus irae?"—Jacksonville Floridian.

A COUNTY OF A THOUSAND KEYS

Monroe county, Florida, is unique in the character of its topography. It is made up almost entirely of a group of islands, or, as they are called, keys. The only part of it on the mainland is in the Cape Sable country, the extreme south end of the United States on the mainland. The large portion of this land is what is known as the Everglades, and but a limited number of acres is now under cultivation. In the vicinity of Cape Sable there are large bodies of rich alluvial land, and a considerable quantity has been under cultivatio n for several years past. All kinds of tropical and semi-tropical fruit trees grow luxuriantly on the keys and bear bounteous crops of fruit each year. Every key is surrounded with water, and a great portion of them have clean white sand beaches, with bluffs varying in height above the high-water mark. What effect the proposed drainage of the Everglades will have in Monroe county is not known, but it is doubtful if any large areas will be drained.—Frank Leslie's Weekly.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given to all creditors, distributtes and all other persons having claims against the estate of William H. Powers, deceased, to present the same to the undersigned administratrix, duly proven, within one year from this date.

Dated, Ocala, Fla., Aug. 20th, 1909.

VIOLET H. POWERS.
As Administratrix of the Estate of William H. Powers. 8-21-8t

BIDS WANTED FOR HANDLING SCHOOL BOOKS

On Monday, September 6, 1909, the board of public instruction in and for Marion county, Florida, will receive and consider bids for keeping such text books as will be used in Marion county for the coming term, in stock and for sale. The said board will contract with the most satisfactory bidder accordingly. All communications should be addresses to

J. H. BRINSON,
W-8-13 Secretary.

NOTICE OF SPECIAL MASTER'S SALE

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, as special master in chancery, under and by virtue of the authority of a certain final decree rendered by the Honorable W. S. Bullock, judge, on the 21st day of June, A. D. 1909, in the circuit court of the fifth judicial circuit of Florida, in and for Marion county in chancery, in a certain cause therein pending wherein William J. Crosby is complainant and John E. Watts and Carrie A. Rolleston and Melvin P. Watts, heirs of A. J. Watts, deceased, and Frank A. Rolleston, husband of Carrie A. Rolleston, are defendants, will on

Monday, the 4th day of October, A. D. 1909,

at the south door of the court house in Ocala, Marion county, Florida, during the legal hours of sale, to-wit: 11 o'clock a. m., and 2 o'clock p. m., offer for sale and sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at public outcry the following described lands in Marion county, Florida, to-wit: A tract of land beginning at the southeast corner of the southwest quarter of the northeast quarter of section six (6), township thirteen (13), south, range twenty- one (21), east, thence running north ten (10) chains, thence west ten (10) chains, then south ten (10) chains, thence east ten (10) chains to point of beginning—containing ten acres, more or less. With all its appurtenances thereunto belonging, or in any wise appertaining, or so much thereof as may be sufficient to satisfy said final decree and costs in said sale being made to satisfy said final decree and costs, and the said sale being made subject to the approval and confiration by said court.

JOSEPH BELL,
As Special Master in Chancery.
O. T. GREEN,
as Solicitor for Complainant.
8-27.

NOTICE

Of Application for Tax Deed Under Section 8 of Chapter 4888, Laws of Florida

Notice is hereby given that L. D. Curry, purchaser of tax certificate No. 422, dated the 3rd day of June, A. D. 1907, has filed said certificate in my office, and has made application for tax deed to issue in accordance with law. Said certificate embraces the following described property situated in Marion county, Florida, to-wit: Southwest quarter, section 23, township 15, south, range 19, east. The said land being assessed at the date of the issuance of such certificate in the name of C. H. Hargraves. Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, tax deed will issue thereon on the 6th day of September, A. D. 1909

Witness my official signature and seal this the 4th day of August, A. D. 1909. (Seal.) S. T. SISTRUNK,
Clerk Circuit Court, Marion Co., Fla.
816.

NOTICE

In the Circuit Court of the Fifth Judicial Circuit of Florida, in and for Marion County—In Chancery.

Margaret J, Pickard, Complainant, vs. J. M. Elliott, Jr., et al Defendants—Order for Constructive Service.

It is ordered that the defendants herein named, to-wit: J. M. Elliott, Jr., J. D. Young, T. S. Kyle, be and they are hereby required to appear to the bill of complaint filed in this cause on or before

Monday, the 6th Day of September, 1909.

It is further ordered that a copy of this order be published once a week for four consecutive weeks in the Ocala Banner, a newspaper published in said county and state.

This 19th day of July, 1909.

(Seal) S. T. SISTRUNK,
Clerk Circuit Court, Marion Co., Fla.
HOCKER & DUVAL,
Complainants' Solicitors. 7-23

NOTICE

Of Application for Tax Deed Under Section 8 of Chapter 4888, Laws of Florida

Notice is hereby given that C. M. Livingston, purchaser of tax certificate No. 825, dated the 4th day of June, A. D. 1906, has filed said certificate in my office, and has made application for tax deed to issue in accordance with law. Said certificate embraces the following described property situated in Marion county, Florida, to-wit: North half of block 1, and southwest quarter block 2, and south half block 11, and all of block 12, and north half of block 13, Cline's sub of northeast quarter of northwest quarter, section 18, township 15, south, range 22, east. The said land being assessed at the date of the issuance of such certificate in the name of unknown. Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, tax deed will issue thereon on the 14th day of September, A. D. 1909.

Witness my official signature and seal this the 11th day of August, A. D. 1909. (Seal.) S. T. SISTRUNK,
Clerk Circuit Court, Marion Co., Fla.
8-13.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Department of the Interior,
U. S. Land Office at Gainesville, Fla.
August 14, 1909.

Notice is hereby given that William T. Henderson of Grahamville, Florida, who, on September 22, 1902, made adjoining homestead entry (S. No. 01964), No. 31764, for southeast quarter southeast qurater, section 13, township 15, south, range 23, east, Tallahassee meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final five year proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before the clerk of the circuit court at Ocala, Fla., on the

29th Day of September, 1909.

Claimant names as witnesses:

Robert Holley of Grahamville, Florida.

Raymond H. Holley of Grahamville, Florida.

John B. Griggs of Lynne, Florida.

Thomas B. Griggs of Lynne, Florida.

HENRY S. CHUBB,
8-20. Register.

To break the auto speed record means the sacrifice of lives.