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The best thing you can do is to advertise. The worst thing you can do is to run down your town.

Gen. Wm. Miller passed through here Monday enroute to Jacksonville; for what? To attend the Pope convention.

To Europe it looks now as if the star of another republic is about to rise out of the seat of blood in the Western Hemisphere.

The Spanish board of inquiry says emphatically that the Maine was blown up by internal causes. Our board says that the ship was blown up by a powerful submarine mine. What next?

The Queen Regent and the young King of Spain are preparing to leave Spain. Let them come to Florida. April and May are the most delightful months of the Florida season.—T. U. & C.

The following may be of interest to our citizens: Lands entered upon the homestead law is subject to taxation from the date of final proof, whether a patent has been issued or not, says Comptroller Reynolds.

T. U. & C.: What if every candidate for Senatorial honors should start a newspaper in Florida? Why! It would be necessary to call in all the bread-winners from the gardens and fields in order to turn the presses.

All kinds of provisions will be very high in case of war. Corn, flour, meat and other like products will go beyond the reach of the poor, therefore we urge our farmers to plant plenty of corn and look after the sow and pigs.

The maritime quarantine season for all the Southern states commenced on the 1st day of April. This advance of the date for the summer quarantine was made by the Secretary of the Treasury upon request of Surgeon General Wyman of the Marine Hospital service.

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A New Englander of national reputation has this to say of Southern leaders: "It seems to me that one of the most interesting features about this whole Cuban crisis is the relatively wise conservatism of Southern leaders in and out of Congress. With the exception of Morgan and Money in the Senate, and Bailey in the House, the utterances of Southern Congressmen have, on the whole, been able and wise, and the temper of their speeches is none the less admirable because somewhat unexpected."

The Springfield Republican says: "It is great good fortune for President McKinley that his predecessor in office handled the Cuban question in just the way that he did. Republican criticism of Mr. Cleveland and Mr. Olney was bitter and often very unjust, because they pursued a conservative course toward this insurrection, yet it is now easy to see that the present unassailable position of our government rests upon the foundation laboriously constructed by the last administration."

OUR TREASURY.

In January, 1894, the net cash balance of the federal treasury was \$90,375,000. The total proceeds of the bond issues of that year amounted to \$23,000,000. If the receipts of the government since January 1, 1894, had equalled its expenditures there should be in the United States treasury today a net cash balance of \$383,000,000. The net cash balance today actually amounts to about \$25,000,000, showing a loss of \$158,000,000 during the four years and two months since January, 1894. This \$158,000,000 has gone to make good a continuing deficit in the revenues, and over \$50,000,000 of it has been thus paid out during the current fiscal year beginning July 1st.

If no bonds had been issued in 1894 what would have been our financial condition today? There would not have been a cent in the treasury and the government would have been \$50,000,000 in arrears with its obligations.

The Dingley tariff which, its author boasted, was to show the country how sufficient revenues could be raised and to make the place of a tariff framed by "deficit makers" has in only three months since its enactment raised revenue enough for the support of the government.

That is the explanation of the great falling off in the surplus which President Cleveland left in the treasury.—Atlanta Journal.

A NATION IN ITS MIGHT.

According to the report of R. G. Dunn & Co., the nation is breaking all records in marketing her products, failures are far less than last year, money is easy, thirty-four millions in gold have and are moving toward America, the Treasury and the national banks have millions in reserve, all the industries are increasing in activity, railroad stocks strongly resist, and give way but insignificantly, before the onslaught of the bears, who are making the most of the warlike news. Dunn's Review declares the tone to be so healthy that it is impossible to take a pessimistic view of the situation. On the whole, the nation is in fine shape; prosperity reigns and makes happy all who are not socialists.

On the other hand, Spanish bonds and stocks are depressed, thousands of her subjects are starving for the want of the bread that is in our granaries, the Queen Regent is in the attitude of a supplicant knocking at the court doors of all Europe to help her in a conflict with a country whose wealth and patriotism tower upward as a pillar of strength. If there are statesmen in Spain let them read the conditions that contest this young giant of a republic of the West with that effete and decaying monarchy of the East—feeding like the ivy upon the crumbling masonry of the past—and let them hesitate to goad us into a war that, as the English press has already prophesied, will wipe Spain from the map of European empires.—Times Union and Citizen.

DeFuntak Herald: Senator Mallory, shrewd though he may be, has written a letter to Frank W. Pope. Our junior senator should have taken warning from the past. Blaine, some time ago, and De Lome only recently, wrote letters. Politely letters had best be burned before they are written.

Yes; but then it is so natural for him to write to those fellows, he could not withstand the temptation.

The editor of this paper, who also presides over all departments, gave notice yesterday to several members of his staff who belong to local military companies that if they should be called upon to render service to our country, they would still be retained upon the staff of the paper at full pay.

The above from that great paper, the Times-Union and Citizen, speaks well; there is a ring of patriotism in it that cannot be doubted.

The Saturday Journal, W. M. Loftin editor, published at Pensacola, is the new candidate for public patronage in West Florida journalism. We welcome the Journal to our exchange table, and wish for Bro. Loftin a world of success which his paper will merit. Mr. Loftin is no novice in the newspaper-making business he having been connected with the Pensacola News for quite a time. The paper is neatly arranged, filled with choice interesting matter and well printed, and its advertising columns are well patronized.

FOREST FIRES! WARNING!!

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, GENERAL LAND OFFICE, Washington, D. C. July 28, 1897.

The attention of the public is called to the fact that immense areas of the public forests are annually destroyed by fire, originating, in many instances, through the carelessness of prospectors, campers, hunters, sheep herders, and others; while in some cases the fires are started with malicious intent.

Warning is hereby given that the origin of all forest fires will be closely investigated, and where the fire is ascertained to have originated through carelessness or design, the persons implicated will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

The Act of Congress, approved February 24, 1897, entitled "An Act to prevent

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forest fires on the public domain," is as follows:

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Sec. 2. That any person who shall build a camp fire, or other fire, in or near any forest, timber, or other inflammable material upon the public domain, shall, before breaking camp, or leaving said fire totally extinguish the same. Any person failing to do so shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof in any district court of the United States having jurisdiction of the same, shall be fined in a sum not more than one thousand dollars, or be imprisoned for a term of not more than one year, or both.

Sec. 3. That in all cases arising under this act the fines collected shall be paid into the public school fund of the county in which the lands where the offense was committed are situated.

BINGER HERMAN, Com. of the General Land Office.

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An exchange pertinently remarks: "Nearly 80,000,000 pounds of tea have been imported into the United States within the past ten months; and at wholesale prices it had an average of but thirteen cents per pound, while the retailers passed it over the counters at from 25 to 40 cents per pound. All the Southern states from the latitude of North Carolina to Key West, can raise tea readily and in abundance; and why we do not raise it in sufficient quantity to supply our own needs as a nation, is something that no fellow can find out."

Florida tobacco is notoriously sold as Havana tobacco, and now we have it on the best authority that Havana pineapples are being packed in crates the New York market and sold as Florida Pines, the latter have an established reputation that the growers of pineapples anywhere in the Bahamas or the West Indies may envy. If the expectations of the tobacco growers of the peninsula are in any degree realized, the Cuban cigarmakers also will sooner or later be glad to appropriate Florida brands.—Times-Union and Citizen.

THE TEACHER AND THE LOCAL PRESS.

That sterling journal, the Fla. School Exponent, strikes the nail squarely on the head when it says that "the teachers in any county, failing to make a systematic use of the local press in arousing and forming public sentiment with regard to educational affairs, are neglecting a great opportunity. To create public sentiment the public must be reached, and for doing this there is no medium so potent and available as your county newspaper." Brother McBeath is a man of practical ideas, and believes that if a theory is worth anything it should be put into practice. It is a time honored belief that the press is a mould of public opinion, and as such it should be used by those desiring to create legitimate public sentiment.—The (Green Cove) Spring.

Yes, 'tis but too true. But alas, here in this county scarcely a teacher in the public schools takes his county paper. Their reasons we do not know. We have tried time and again to get them to give us the news from their schools; offering the use of our columns in any way that would be of advantage to the public schools; but sad to say, no response was made. It seems as if they were ashamed to let the people know what they were doing.

CANNERIES.

The establishment of canneries has been advocated by us, from time to time, but it is evident that for the main consumption of crops it would not be profitable only for the waste or surplus portion of a vegetable crop, and for this purpose the existence of the canning factory would indeed be valuable in every considerable agricultural community. This statement finds its support in the fact that in Maryland, Delaware and New Jersey where canneries are so numerous, the average price paid for tomatoes by the canners range from \$5.50 to \$6 per ton. In the west canners pay from \$4 to \$4.50 per ton for corn. Green peas shelled average one and three-fourths cents per pound. At such rates only our waste product could be realized, or when the price of produce had fallen so that its shipment would prove a loss instead of a profit. In Florida every year thousands of tons of fruit and vegetables, under the latter conditions are lost—hence the importance and value of canneries.—So. Fla. Sentinel.

Calmly, serenely, amid the scenes near his heart, surrounded by his family, Mr. Gladstone, the statesman, the savant, the philosopher, the Christian, awaits the inevitable doom placed upon his old age by the inexorable decree of nature. As the shadows gather in the soft twilight of his closing days, the "Grand Old Man" displays a Christian resignation, contented in the full consciousness of duty firmly discharged, and having spent his life in the cause of his fellowman. It is comfortable to die with this kind of weight upon the soul.

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The flag has become very popular with enterprising advertisers. It has been used extensively by the same class of persons and companies who have desecrated some of our finest landscapes and most magnificent scenery with flaming proclamations of the virtues of patent medicines, bicycles and what not. It seems to be impossible to suppress this species of barbarism, but it is easy to protect the flag from the vulgar uses to which some advertisers use it, and congress should do that at once.

OUR MERCHANT MARINE.

At the breaking out of the civil war the American shipping engaged in the foreign carrying trade amounted to approximately 70 per cent. of the total of foreign commerce. Now, under the Republican policy of "protection" to the shipping interests, our foreign carrying amount to only about 10 per cent. of the total. In short, American commerce has been "protected" to death. This protects upon the country in more ways than one. The navy is now in need of seamen. With a large merchant marine, every American port would be able to contribute a number of able-bodied and experienced sailors to the service. As it is, however, our merchant marine has disappeared, and our sailors have disappeared with it. If Americans were permitted to purchase ships wherever they could secure them cheapest, and sail them under the American flag, the rehabilitation of the merchant marine under the Stars and Stripes would be a matter of comparatively short time; and then we should have the army of Jack Tar's which ever an emergency arose.—Savannah News.

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