

EVENING STAR

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TREATMENT OF CONVICTS

Editor Star: I have read the most shocking and heartrending publication in the Star that should bring the blush of shame to the face of all civilized people. Ah, what a scandal and a disgrace on our officials and our Christian people that such brutal cruelty should be allowed to exist in our institutions of reform. There is no doubt in my mind but that such treatment exists in our own prisons. The taxpayers are paying men to inspect those institutions of confinement and to see that those poor unfortunate people are given fair and proper treatment by those in charge. We are paying five dollars per day to men whose duty it is to see that those unfortunate beings are given justice, but what do they do? They ride all over the state part of the time and the other part they spend at home looking after their own affairs, but the salary goes on, for what? For nothing. We simply pay them five dollars a day and all expenses for the pleasure of having them ride all over our state with the pretence of inspecting our convict camps and prisons. How long will the people allow such things to exist? It is to be hoped that our newly elected officials will see to it that such brutality is stamped out and that all servants of the people and for the people do their duty.

Isaac Perry. Moss Bluff, Fla., August 1. The gentleman no doubt refers to the exposures made by the investigation of a committee consisting of members of the Georgia legislature and we agree with him that the disclosures made were a disgrace to the state of Georgia and to the civilization of the age, but when he says: "There is no doubt in my mind but that such treatment exists in our own prisons!" Now we are aware the ideal does not exist in Florida in the treatment of Florida convicts, but from what we know, what we have seen and what others have told us, such scenes as described in Georgia do not exist in Florida.

The Florida legislature did a wise thing when it safeguarded the state convicts and authorized the governor and commissioner of agriculture to see that safe, sane and reputable men were appointed to inspect our state convict camps and see that the law as it affected the treatment of all kinds of convicts, state and county, be carried out to the letter and in the main such is the case.

It is not fair and honest of Mr. Isaac Perry, or any other man to condemn any person or thing on belief. That belief may be honest, but he may not be informed on the subject about which he speaks or writes. Now if Mr. Perry has any evidence that our state convicts are maltreated it is his duty as a good citizen to present the facts to a prison inspector or the governor or Mr. McLin and he can rest assured if there are any camps where the prisoners are mistreated or cruelly abused, it will be stopped and at once.

In saying what we have we are not advocating the present system of the state convicts to private parties and their use in turpentine camps and phosphate mines, but simply calling Mr. Perry's attention to the fact that he has made a very bold assertion of belief, without a statement of facts to substantiate that belief.

It is easy to hear, easy to believe, but let us be fair and honest in our treatment of persons and things, and if we make a declaration or statement let it be founded on something tangible and not mere belief. The following from the Metropolis shows that the man who leases the Florida convicts, and is principally responsible for their treatment, is not afraid to have his methods laid bare to the most searching investigation.

Mr. Rawls Invites Investigation Owing to a revival of discussion of abolishing the lease system in Florida, a Metropolis representative this morning called on S. A. Rawls, head of S. A. Rawls & Co., lessee of the State convicts, who was asked for an expression on the subject.

"Of course the situation in Georgia has to a great extent revived the talk of abolishing the system in Florida," said Mr. Rawls, "and I do not see how this could be otherwise, for conditions in our neighboring state appear to have reached the limit in every way. The principal cause of complaint in Georgia is the graft feature, about which I have had knowledge for several years, and I have known for a long time that startling revelations would eventually be made. As the lessees pay all salaries, however, making the payment of a salary by both State and lessee impossible, chance for graft in Florida is cut down to a decidedly low notch.

"The people of Florida may rest assured that no such conditions prevail in Florida," continued Mr. Rawls, "and I cordially invite any newspaper reporter, state official or private citizen to investigate every feature of the work of S. A. Rawls & Co., and I will personally aid in such investigation and have all my employees to do likewise. You will find conditions far different in Florida from those in Georgia."

That few occasions have arisen for criticizing the manner in which S. A. Rawls & Co. conduct their business or treat their convicts is a fact well known throughout the state.

Chandler Yonge, the machinist for the French phosphate company, Anthony, was in town today having repairs made on parts of the engine. He said the machinery was started up yesterday for the first time and a little rock caught and the engine broke down, but that will soon be repaired and the work will be resumed.

A DESERVED PROMOTION

Willis M. Ball to be Editor-in-Chief of the Times-Union Willis M. Ball, who has so long, loyally and faithfully served the Times-Union as its managing editor, has been elected president of the Florida Publishing Company and editor-in-chief of the paper, to succeed the late George W. Wilson. Mr. Ball is a tireless worker and splendid newspaper man. He has not only earned the honor, but the company could not have selected a better or more capable man to fill the important position made vacant by Mr. Wilson's death. Mr. Ball is a gentleman of high character and fully competent for the position.

When death claimed George W. Wilson it was quite apparent that Mr. Ball would be called to the editorship of the paper. His familiarity with all the details of every department of the paper and his devotion to the interests of the institution being known, it was generally understood that he would be chosen to be in charge of the paper. His personality and the interest he takes in his subordinates gives assurance of continued harmony, which characterized his late lamented predecessor.—Metropolis.

We erred yesterday in saying a negro stole from Mr. R. S. Hall's residence. The negro was working for the Woodmar Sand & Stone Co., which company is laying the cement sidewalks around Mr. Hall's residence, and it was from the homes of his fellow workmen that he stole the grips and clothes referred to. Judge Bell put him under a \$500 bond.

Jim Nelson, of the Ocala Gas Engine Works, took a trip to the Palmetto Stock Farm this morning to repair the gas engine that does the pumping for the stock. Jim was astonished at the extent of the land belonging to the farm and the fine crops and cattle on the place.

C. V. Roberts, a member of the firm of Smith & Roberts, undertakers, returned last night from Ocala, where he spent several days. His family accompanied him and they will occupy the house at 2108 Tampa street.—Tampa Tribune.

Mr. Claud Campbell, the agent and deliverer of Standard Oil, had the misfortune yesterday to lose one of his fine mules. The animal was taken sick yesterday afternoon somewhere in the neighborhood of Captain Pyles', and was brought home at 6 o'clock, when Mr. Campbell tried to get a veterinary surgeon but failed, and the animal died shortly afterward.

The following Anthony people went down to Weir Park today, where they have rented Mr. R. L. Martin's big house and will spend a month, viz: Mr. and Mrs. Swindle and family, Mr. and Mrs. Williams, Mr. H. T. Jones, Miss Bertie Baskin. Those who will go down Monday are I. K. Knight and family, F. W. Bishop and family, Dr. Eaton Lindner and family; also Mr. Vance Weathers and family of York, and Mr. and Mrs. Elmore Davidson, of Leesburg.

Mr. Jack McCully of Berlin, was in town today.

Mrs. George McGahagin and baby went down to Lake Weir yesterday.

Mr. F. A. McDonald, one of the valued employees of the Buttgenbach Phosphate Co. at Dunnellon, is taking his vacation and came up from Lakeland with that city's baseball team and will meet with the Ocala Odd Fellows tonight, being an enthusiastic member of the Dunnellon lodge of Odd Fellows.

Judge McConathy purchased a railroad ticket to Louisville today.

Mr. Charles F. Flippen, one of the Marion Hardware Company's enterprising young salesmen, returned Sunday afternoon from Watertown, Tenn., where he spent three weeks with his parents.

R. E. Yonge is going extensively into the chicken business. He purchased sight-unseen a coop of chickens this morning. The man who sold the coop said it contained twenty-two chickens. After the purchase Mr. Yonge took them home and counted them, finding only twenty-one chickens in the coop, and every one of them roosters. He is now looking for a coop of chickens but this time they must be hens.

Mrs. Wesley Meadows, of Anthony, is spending the summer with her daughter, Mrs. Edith Chapman, at Harrison, Tenn. Mrs. Chapman's husband is pastor of a growing church at Harrison.

Mr. Lee Deitrich, who has been with the Commercial Barbershop for some time, has leased the Montezuma Barbershop and will open the same and conduct it as a first-class tonorial establishment as soon as he can get a man to release him from his present position.

Mr. H. C. Jones and Mr. Williams, the government architect, returned home Sunday from a short visit to Daytona.

Mrs. C. G. Phillips, of Fulford, Fla., arrived today and will be the guest of her sister, Mrs. George L. Taylor.

In the write-up of the Oxford picnic yesterday we overlooked the annual picnic dance that Jack and Mrs. Driggers gave the young folks who attended the annual gathering. A big crowd was in attendance.

A GRAND FAMILY MEDICINE "It gives me pleasure to speak a good word for Electric Bitters," writes Mr. Frank Conlan of No. 436 Houston St., New York. "It's a grand family medicine for dyspepsia and liver complications; while for lame back and weak kidneys it cannot be too highly recommended." Electric Bitters regulate the digestive functions, purify the blood, and impart renewed vigor and vitality to the weak and debilitated of both sexes. Sold under guarantee at all drug stores. Fifty cents.

AIR DOME

PROGRAM FOR THIS EVENING

- No. 1. March by the Air Dome Orchestra. No. 2. THE GOOD WINE AND THE GLUE. No. 3. Song, "THINK OF THE GIRL DOWN HOME." No. 4. THE CONVENT GARDNER AND BLUE BEARD NO. 1.

Admission 5 and 10c. Boxes 10c extra

SAMUEL E. MOFFETT

Sudden Death of a Journalist of National Reputation

New York, Aug. 4.—Samuel E. Moffett, forty-eight years old, a member of the editorial staff of Collier's Weekly and a nephew of Mark Twain, was stricken with apoplexy and drowned in the surf at Normandie by the Sea, N. J., yesterday afternoon. While three physicians worked over his body for nearly two hours in a vain hope of restoring life, his wife, who had arrived from New York only a few minutes after he had been taken from the water, strode up and down the boardwalk praying aloud with her clasped hands raised above her head, and when told that the end had come she was prostrated with grief.

BASEBALL

Result of Yesterday's Games in the South Atlantic League

Savannah 3; Macon 2. Jacksonville 6; Charleston 1. Columbia 0; Augusta 1.

Where They Play Today

Macon at Savannah. Augusta at Columbia. Charleston at Jacksonville.

Standing of the Clubs

Table with columns: Games Won, Lost, P.C. Savannah93 71 22 .763 Jacksonville93 52 41 .559 Columbia86 39 47 .453 Augusta93 41 52 .441 Charleston91 39 52 .429 Macon98 35 63 .357

The county boards being in session today quite a number of country people were in town, among them Major Priest, C. C. Priest, R. A. Griffin, H. W. Long, Volney Seckinger, L. M. Graham, H. W. Strickland, C. C. Stevens, Robert Frink, J. L. Beck, Dow Beck, Joe Hudgens, Robert McDonald and Robert Frink.

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WEATHER FORECAST

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The merits of the Texas Wonder, you would never suffer from kidney, bladder or rheumatic trouble. \$1 bottle two months' treatment. Sold by druggists or by mail. Send for testimonials. Dr. E. W. Hall, 2926 Olive street, St. Louis, Missouri.

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"I want to say a few words for Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. I have used this preparation in my family for the past five years and have recommended it to a number of people in York county and have never known it to fail to effect a cure in any instance. I feel that I cannot say too much for the best remedy of the kind in the world."—S. Jemison, Spring Grove, York County, Pa. This remedy is for sale by all druggists.

CONFEDERATE MONEY FOR SALE

Have \$400 in Confederate money for sale. It may assist some one to complete a collection. Inquire of the Star office.

What a New Jersey Editor Says

M. T. Lynch, Editor of the Phillipsburg, N. J., Daily Post, writes: "I have used many kinds of medicines for coughs and colds in my family but never anything so good as Foley's Honey and Tar. I cannot say too much in praise of it." Sold by all dealers.

A BIG BARGAIN

TOR SALE—One entire stock of shoes and fixtures. Big bargain to the right party. Offer good for only ten days. Marion Shoe Co., J. M. Meffert, Proprietor, Ocala, Fla.

KEEP COOL

Have electric fans placed in your office or home and keep cool through the hot months. It is inexpensive and a great comfort. See Walter Tucker, the electrician, about them.

ACTIVE AT EIGHTY-SEVEN

This would be unusual news if men and women would keep themselves free from rheumatism and all aches and pains as well as keeping their muscles and joints limber with Ballard's Snow Liniment. Sold by Anti-Monopoly Drugstore.

THARPE SHOT HIS SWEETHEART

Because She Would Not Go to Church With Him

Greensboro, N. C., Aug. 4.—News reached this city today of the shooting in Wilkes county yesterday of Miss Mary Ball by Freeland Tharpe. Miss Ball was teacher in a rural school and Tharpe had been paying his attentions to her. She refused to go with him to church, but went with his brother instead, while Freeland Tharpe escorted another young woman who lived at the same house with Miss Ball.

When they had returned from the church, just as Miss Ball was entering the porch, Freeland Tharpe drew his pistol and fired three shots at her. One of the bullets entered her left breast about an inch above the heart, inflicting a fatal wound. Tharpe was captured, relieved of his weapon and is now in jail at Wilkesboro.

The Modesty of Women

Naturally makes them shrink from the indicate questions, the obnoxious examinations, and unpleasant local treatments, which some physicians consider essential in the treatment of diseases of women. Yet, if help can be had, it is better to submit to this ordeal than let the disease grow and spread. The trouble is that so often the woman undergoes all the annoyance and shame for nothing. Thousands of women who have been cured by Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription write in appreciation of the cure which dispenses with the examinations and local treatments. There is no other medicine so sure and safe for delicate women as "Favorite Prescription." It cures debilitating drains, irregularity and female weakness. It always helps. It almost always cures. It is strictly non-alcoholic, non-secret, all its ingredients being printed on its bottle-wrapper; contains no deleterious or habit-forming drugs, and every native medicinal root entering into its composition has the full endorsement of those most eminent in the several schools of medical practice. Some of these numerous and strongest of professional endorsements of its ingredients, will be found in a pamphlet wrapped around the bottle, also in a booklet mailed free on request, by Dr. R. V. Pierce, of Buffalo, N. Y. These professional endorsements should have far more weight than any amount of the ordinary lay, or non-professional testimonials.

The most intelligent women now-a-days insist on knowing what they take as medicine instead of opening their mouths like a lot of young birds and gulping down whatever is offered them. "Favorite Prescription" is of known composition. It makes weak women strong and sick women well.

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FIVE PERSONS KILLED

Fatal Automobile Accident Near San Francisco Suburb

San Francisco, Aug. 4.—Five persons were killed and two were injured yesterday near Burlingame, a fashionable suburb, when a huge automobile, occupied by five women and two children, plunged down a steep embankment as the result of the snapping of the brakes.

TEN YEARS IN BED

"For ten years I was confined to my bed with disease of my kidneys," writes R. A. Gray, J. P. of Oakville, Ind. "It was so severe that I could not move part of the time. I consulted the very best medical skill available, but could get no relief until Foley's Kidney Cure was recommended to me. It has been a Godsend to me." Sold by all dealers.

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Mott's Nerve-Pills The great nerve and brain restorative for men and women. Produces strength and vitality, builds up the system and renews the normal vigor. For sale by druggists or by mail, \$1 per box, 6 boxes for 5. Sold by the Anti-Monopoly Drugstore.

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SON SHOT HIS FATHER

Raleigh, N. C., Aug. 4.—Thomas Riddle, a young white man, shot and killed his father, John R. Riddle, at Cotton, a small cotton mill town seven miles south of Fayetteville last Sunday evening, according to a special from the latter place last night.

Young Riddle approached his father in the presence of neighbors, smoking a cigarette, when the elder remonstrated with him, bringing on a quarrel.

THINKS IT SAVED HIS LIFE

Lester M. Nelson, of Naples, Maine, says in a recent letter: "I have used Dr. King's New Discovery many years, for coughs and colds, and I think it saved my life. I have found it a reliable remedy for throat and lung complaints, and would no more be without a bottle than I would be without food." For nearly forty years New Discovery has stood at the head of throat and lung remedies. As a preventive of pneumonia, and healer of weak lungs it has no equal. Sold under guarantee at all drug stores. Fifty cents and \$1. Trial bottle free.

GEORGE PETTIBONE DIES UNDER THE KNIFE

Denver, Colo., Aug. 4.—George Pettibone for years prominent in the councils of the Western Federation of Miners and charged with President Moyer and former Secretary Haywood with complicity in the murder of former Governor Stuenkel, of Idaho, died at St. Joseph's Hospital last night from effects of an operation for cancer. Pettibone was never formally tried, but was discharged after the acquittal of Haywood and Moyer.

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REGISTRATION NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the registration books of Marion county, Florida are now open for the purpose of registering electors. Books open at office of county treasurer in court house at Ocala, Florida, Thursday, Friday and Saturday of each week during the hours 9 a. m. to 12 m. and 2 p. m. to 5 p. m. until the 10th day of October, 1908. J. L. Beck, Supervisor of Registration.

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