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THE OCALA HIGH SCHOOL

We had been promising ourselves for a month to devote several hours to a visit to the Ocala High School, but the ever-pressing demands of other things prevented until this morning we took time by the forelock and made a hurried inspection, which was highly satisfactory.

Nothing could be finer than the crisp morning air or more soothing than the glint of the morning sun. It set everything aglow, it was visible in the zeal and earnestness of the teachers and the rosy cheeks and sparkling eyes of the pupils. It was an enthusiastic and earnest school, and one could not help but become inoculated with the spirit of emulation and effort everywhere visible.

We found Principal Workman moving through the different departments, inspecting, suggesting and promoting the routine work of the day.

Professor Madden was looking after thirty-five pupils in the grammar deparment of the eigh'h grade, while fifty-four crowned the seventh grade, under the supervision of Miss Hattie Dye.

Professor Cantrell is in charge of the high school department and supervises the ninth, tenth, eleventh and twelfth grades, with the assisance of Miss McCreery; their attendance numbering forty-two pupils.

Miss May Turnley, who, by years of faithful service, has grown into the work of conducting the sixth grade, has forty-nine scholars, and Miss Pinnick, in the fifth grade, has thirty-eight pupils under her care.

Miss Etta Carn is doing splendid work in the fourth grade, which she has conducted for several years, assisted by Miss Edna Jeffords, one of the late graduates of the school, with an attendance of sixty-seven pupils.

The primary department, under the beloved teachers, Miss Nellie Stevens and Miss Cora Griffin, was under a high tension from the virus of the holidays, which was working beautifully. Some of the drawings of these tots were truly wonderful. There are eighty-one pupils in this department.

Miss Clark, who for years of devoted service, stands at the head of the second and third grade, with Miss Margaret Taylor as a faithful co-worker, is looking after the educational wants of ninety-five aspirants, forty-six under Miss Clark and forty-nine under Miss Taylor. In this room we found a large contribution of fruit, etc., which the children had brought in as a donation to the King's Daughters, who will see that those in need of it are duly supplied. Other classes have not been unmindful of the precept that it is more blessed to give than to receive, and have been contributing material and money for the use of the same organization.

We have never seen the school in better physical and mental condition, and congratulate Principal Workman and his able corps of assistants on the harmonious co-operation in their educational labors and the pleasant relations that exist between them. They are doing a good and noble work for our children and we should support and uphold them in their laudable efforts to promote the instruction of our children.

This will be the last day of school prior to the holidays, which will continue to January 3, 1905.

We made inquiry of the teachers as to where they would spend their vacation and how many of them would attend the Southern Educational Convention, which convenes in Jacksonville December 29 to 31, inclusive. Principal Workman will be in attendance. Professor Madden has made other arrangements, and will likely take a trip to Louisiana and Texas. Professor Cantrell will go to Jacksonville, as will his assistant, Miss McCreery. Miss May Turnley will visit her mother at Lakeland, and may be able to steal a day off to visit the convention. Miss Pennick yearns to see her home friends in Alabama, and hopes to drop in for a day at the convention, as does Miss Etta Carn, who, too, sighs for the embrace of her parents and friends at Centerville, near Tallahassee, but hopes to mingle with her co-workers at Jacksonville. Miss Edna Jeffords regrets that she can't attend, but Miss Stevens and Miss Griffin expect to go, while Miss Fannie Clark and Miss Margaret Taylor regret deeply that they cannot attend. Principal Workman and Superintendent Carn feel that their reputation is at stake in the matter of having all their teachers attend the greatest educational feast that has ever been spread before them for their mental delectation and feel sanguine they will so enthuse all of the teachers and get them to spend at least a day, if not all of the session of the teachers' meeting in Jacksonville.

Sebastian Lehman, the vineyardist of South Lake Weir, has been the victim of numerous mishaps during the past several weeks. First he had a sandspur to stick under his knee cap and make him a cripple; then he had a plow point plow into the heel of his foot and that made him limp around for a week and he still has to wear slippers; then he was driving his fine colt over the country the other day and the horse stepped into a gopher hole. The suddenness of the stop sent Mr. L. flying through the air, skinning his elbows, and causing the animal to break the shafts of his new buggy. Ain't that enough to make a man feel jubious?

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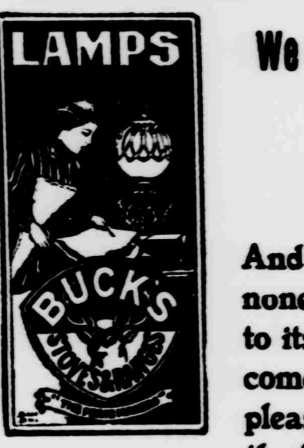

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Handsome tables, sideboards and china closets at the Ocala Furniture Company.

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If you have not already seen the display in the new Exposition show case at H. B. Masters, it will pay you not only to see it but to price the articles therein.

Nunnally's Candy is still the standard. Better than all others, because fresher, and then only 60c. a pour 1. At the Postoffice Drugstore.

Beautiful imported holiday china at McIver and MacKay's.

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Be quick if you would like to see the most elegantly furnished bedroom suite that has ever been offered for sale in Ocala. It is at the Ocala Furniture Company's store.

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Dr. E. W. Hall, St. Louis, Mo.—Dear sir: Having tried different doctors and their remedies for several years for back and kidney trouble. I found nothing successful until taking the Texas Wonder, Hall's Great Discovery, and, being rapidly cured, the old saying with "God bless the man who invented the Pullman sleeping car," but I say "God bless the inventor of Hall's Texas Wonder."

Yours truly,
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OCALA HAS ITS SHARE OF DEAD BEATS

Editor Star: On looking over this morning's Metropolis, I at last found one "commodity" upon which Jacksonville has no monopoly. Ocala has its quota. Merchants, don't you know and esteem them? Collectors, don't you love them? I enclose the clipping. Kindly insert and oblige. A Victim.

Don't Pay Their Debts

Editor of the Kick Column:

There are two classes who injure others: First, those who defer from time to time the payment of debts long due, and a tirade of virulent abuse is frequently the only response the indulgent creditor gets. If storekeepers, owners of horses, doctors, undertakers, newspaper men, dressmakers, tailors, and others were asked: "Are your bills paid promptly according to agreement?" must they not answer: "our books show many debts, many months and even years overdue. Some who owe us old debts deal in other places. They become indignant if we ask payment of our accounts. Others who owed us bills have moved away without even calling to see us." People get indignant and abusive when asked to pay their debts long overdue. Is not such conduct most reprehensible and un-Christian? If such people call themselves Christians, how great the odium and disgrace their dishonesty heaps on the church! There is another class which contracts debts without any intention of paying them. They go from one store to another getting credit as long as they can; they borrow money from this one and that one; they owe bills here and there, and pass their creditors by as if they did not owe a cent. The thief takes your property stealthily and carries it away. This class coolly asks you to give up your goods and deliver them, too. What a disgrace to the church if such dishonest people call themselves Christians! Who does greater harm to the church; who gives greater scandal; who inflicts a greater injury on a community than the so-called Christian who culpably refuses to pay his debts? Merchant.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT

In the case of Wallace Ransom and Albert McAllister of Reddick, the first named got off with the verdict of simple assault, and McAllister aggravated assault.

The cases of Ollie Mordis and Tillie Putler and Max Myerson and Mrs. Hunt, for unlawful cohabiting, were nol prossed on motion of the state, also another case against Wallace Ransom was nol prossed on motion of the state.

The Jeff Boyd case of the Eureka section was continued.

In the Frank Blair case the verdict was for the defendant and he was discharged.

The court is now hearing the case against Early Simmons for raping Hanna Gibson, which occurred last summer in the Summerfield section. Parties are colored and from Eastlake. Judge Wynne held a preliminary hearing and bound the prisoner over. Quite a number of witnesses have been summoned in this case. Hon. R. A. Burford is the defendant's attorney, while Major Izlar is assisting the state.

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Phillip Harris, representing the Miles Orton dog and pony show, was in the city today to arrange for his show to appear in Ocala December 23.

FOUND—A bundle of white doilies on the sidewalk yesterday. Owner can have the same by paying for this advertisement.

DOCTORS COULD NOT HELP HER

"I had kidney trouble for years," writes Mrs. Raymond Connor of Shelton, Wash., "and the doctors could not help me. I tried Foley's Kidney Cure and the very first dose help me and I am now cured. I cannot say too much for Foley's Kidney Cure." It makes the diseased kidneys sound so they will eliminate the poisons from the blood. Unless they do this good health is impossible. Sold by Postoffice Drugstore.

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JACKSONVILLE AND OCALA

Will Meet on the Gridiron Christmas Day for the First Time

(Times-Union, Dec. 16.)

Arrangements have been made for a football game in this city with Ocala on Christmas day.

The agreement was signed yesterday between representatives of the two teams, and they are to make preparations for a good game. Of course Jacksonville is not to put her best team up against Ocala. It will be the second team which will play the Ocala eleven, but it will be a hard contest, as the Ocala team will be a strong one.

The game will be the first ever played between Ocala and Jacksonville. In fact, it is said that Ocala this winter saw her first game of football, but that she has developed into a formidable antagonist for some of the towns of the state. The game is certain to attract a great deal of interest, and it is to be witnessed by a large crowd.

CURED PARALYSIS

W. S. Bailey, P. O. True, Texas, writes: "My wife had been suffering for five years with paralysis in her arm, when I was persuaded to use Ballard's Snow Liniment, which cured her all right. I have also used it for old sores, frostbites and skin eruptions. It does the work." 25c., 50c. and $1. Sold by the Anti-Monopoly Drugstore.

MORE MISFORTUNE ON THE MASSACHUSETTS

Philadelphia, Dec. 16.—Caught in a trap, and helpless to save themselves, three men lost their lives, and four others, including Lieutenant William C. Cole, were terribly scalded yesterday by a rush of steam and boiling water in the fireroom of the battleship Massachusetts, lying at the League Island navy yard.

Lieutenant Cole received his injuries in a heroic effort to save the others.

The accident was caused by the giving away of a gasket or rubber washer on a boiler on the starboard side of the ship.

WORST OF ALL EXPERIENCES

Can anything be worse than to feel that every minute will be your last? Such was the experience of Mrs. S. H. Newsom, Decatur, Ala. "For three years," she writes, "I endured insufferable pain from indigestion, stomach and bowel trouble. Death seemed inevitable when doctors and all remedies failed. At length I was induced to try Electric Bitters and the result was miraculous. I improved at once and now I'm completely recovered." For Liver, Kidney, Stomach and Bowel troubles Electric Bitters is the only medicine. Only 50c. It's guaranteed by the Anti-Monopoly Drugstore.

THE BRIDGE GAVE WAY AND THREE WERE KILLED

Charleston, W. Va., Dec. 16.—Three persons were killed and five others seriously injured yesterday by the collapse of the suspension bridge across the Elk river, which connects East and West Charleston. On the bridge when it went down were six children on their way to school, and a number of other pedestrians, together with six teams.

NO MORE SUFFERING

If you are troubled with indigestion get a bottle of Kodol Dyspepsia Cure and see how quickly it will cure you. Geo. A. Thompson of Spencer, Ia., says: "Have had dyspepsia for twenty years. My case was almost hopeless. Kodol Dyspepsia Cure was recommended and I used a few bottles of it, and it is the only thing that has relieved me. Would not be without it. Have doctored with local physicians, and also at Chicago, and even went to Norway with hopes of getting some relief, but Kodol Dyspepsia Cure is the only remedy that has done me any good, and I heartily recommend it. Every person suffering with indigestion or dyspepsia should use it." Sold by Wm. Anderson.

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New and artistically finished sideboards, china closets, dining tables and dining chairs, and rugs for the dining room floor.

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Beautiful china, lamps of all kinds, staple crockery, stoves and ranges, and kitchen outfits. Office desks, chairs and bookcases.

Harness, Saddles, Lap Robes, Etc., handsome for Xmas presents and a special price will be made on these goods for the next two weeks. Carriages and Buggies; what is nicer for a present. We must stop, space is scarce. Come to see us, you will not regret it.

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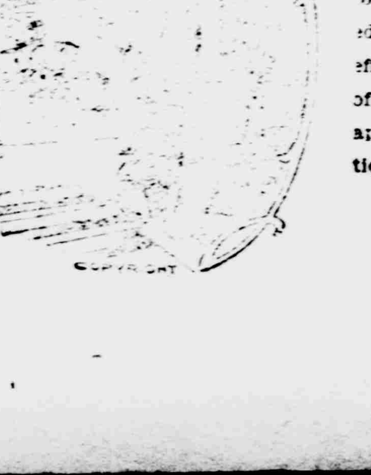

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Ar. Chicago	15 a m	4 20 p m

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