$800 IN Prizes

TWO PIANOS FREE

Grand Voting Contest---Two $400 Pianos to be given away.

The Star has put on the Greatest Voting Contest and Free Prize Offer that the county has ever known.

We will give, absolutely free, on February 1st, two Magnificent $400 Pianos to the two girls or ladies, married or single, receiving the greatest number of votes in this contest of energy and popularity.

The Pianos

The Star has a contract with the A. R. HARPER PIANO CO., of Jacksonville, to purchase from them two of their style M. Harvard Upright Pianos, of the following description: Cabinet Grand, 7 1-3 octaves, three pedals, ivory keys, full iron plate, triple unisons, repeating action, nickel action brackets, tuning pins and cased hammer rail, graduating pedals including soft stop or practice pedal, nickel pedals, copper-wound base strings; case is of Colonial design, with full-swing music desk with hand-carved ornaments, rolling fall board, continuous hinge, double trusses with handsome capitals; height 4 feet, 8 inches; length 5 feet, 2 inches; width 2 feet, 3 inches; with your choice of mahogany, walnut or oak, hardwood back. The Harvard is the most popular and the greatest seller made by the John Church Company, one of the oldest and best known piano houses in the world. The instruments are high-class in every respect, sweet-toned, very handsome in appearance, contain the best workmanship and material obtainable, and are fully guaranteed. They will be on exhibition in this city later on in the contest.

How to Enter the Contest

The Voting Contest will be conducted as follows: Every girl or married lady who resides in Ocala or receives her mail from this postoffice, will be eligible to enter the contest in the Ocala District. Every girl, young lady or married lady residing outside of the Ocala District, but within Marion, Sumter or Citrus counties, will be eligible to enter the contest in the country district. Fill out or have a friend fill out and bring or send to the Star office, one of the Nominating Blanks, found in the paper, which places you in nomination and gives you 1,000 complimentary votes, and can not be used again during the contest.

How Votes Are Secured

Each issue of the Star will contain a coupon, which is good for five votes. For each subscription paid the following votes will be issued:

The object of every newspaper in putting on a contest, where something of value is to be given away, is to increase its subscription list, "get more circulation." The Star is no exception to this rule, and in offering to give the people of Ocala and Marion county the opportunity of winning two $400 Pianos for some work and effort on their part, our object is to get more subscribers. With this end in view we will offer the following most liberal allowance for votes in the Free Piano Contest, for clubs of new subscribers. Any one person, or through the help of their friends, sending us in at one time or all put together, during the life of the contest, the following clubs of subscribers, will be allowed the specified number of votes. A subscriber taking and paying for the paper for several years, will be counted as a subscriber for each year; for instance, one paying five years in advance, will receive, on the Weekly Star, 3,000 votes, and, as though he were five new subscribers, 900 additional votes, etc., etc. Any one securing a number of subscribers, between the numbers estimated in the following, will be prorated on the same scale of increase. The total of your vote allowance, at the closing day of the contest, on clubbing, will be estimated, and all that is coming to you, on the final count, for subscriptions sent in, will be figured up and allowed, as though all were sent in at once. We want subscribers; now see what you can do. The allowance for advertising and job printing votes remains the same, 100 votes for each dollar spent with us.

DAILY STAR

$.05, one copy of paper	5 votes
.50, one months subscription	100 votes
1.25, three months subscription	250 votes
2.50, six months subscription	500 votes
5.00, one years subscription	1000 votes
10.00, two yearly subscriptions	3000 votes

(Note increase in votes given for a number of subscriptions paid in advance.)

$ 25.00 Five Yearly Subscriptions	20,000
50.00 Ten Yearly Subscriptions	50,000
100.00 Twenty Yearly Subscriptions	150,000

(The Daily's Grand Prize.)

NEW subscribers, paying a year in advance, will receive an additional **1000** votes.

Subscribers who are in arrears, paying up receive the same number of votes that renewals do.

WEEKLY STAR

$ .50, six months subscription	100 votes
1.00, years subscription	200 votes
2.00, 2 yearly subscriptions	800 votes
3.00, three yearly subscriptions	1000 votes
4.00, four yearly subscriptions	2000 votes
5.00, five yearly subscriptions	3000 votes

$ 10.00 Ten Yearly Subscriptions	10,000
25.00 Twenty-five Yearly Subscriptions	30,000
50.00 Fifty Yearly Subscriptions	65,000
100.00 One Hundred Yearly Subscriptions	150,000

(The Weekly's Grand Prize.)

For each **NEW** Weekly subscriber, in addition to the above regular votes, **300** extra votes.

Subscriptions that are in arrears, paid up count the same as renewals.

FOR PRINTING OR ADVERTISING

100 votes will be given for each dollar paid into this office for printing or advertising, whether for current or back accounts.

The Contest will be conducted fairly and equally. The persons receiving the greatest number of votes in the two districts will receive the Pianos. No votes will be sold at this office for less than the prices above scheduled. No employe or attache of this office will be allowed to vote or in any way participate in the contest. Judges will be appointed, who will count the votes at regular intervals, and announce the standing of the different candidates. These judges will see that every candidate gets a fair deal. It is desired, at least while the contest is in the early stages, that votes be sent in daily.

Strictly a Home Proposition

This contest is strictly a home proposition. It is put on and conducted by the Star and no foreign company has anything to do with it. The Star simply buys the Pianos and gives them to you—if you are the lucky ones.

The contest will continue for three months, closing on February 1st, 1909. Now get to work. The pianos will not be won without an effort on your and your friends part.

THE DAILY AND WEEKLY STAR

C L. Bittinger R. R. Carroll

FLORIDA PEDAGOGUES WILL MEET IN GAINESVILLE

Quincy, Dec. 13.—The Florida Educational Association meets in Gainesville December 29th at 8 p. m. The prospects are bright for one of the largest attendances in the history of the association. The railroads have offered excellent rates, the hotels are preparing to entertain 800 teachers, and the citizens of Gainesville have promised the members of the association a great time.

The railroads operating in Florida have offered to the association railroad rates which amount to one fare plus 25 cents for the round trip. Tickets are on sale December 27th, 28th and 29th, with final limit Jan. 2. These tickets are on sale at all regular ticket offices and every agent in the state has received instructions for their sale.

GUILTY OF COUNTERFEITING

Passing counterfeit money is no worse than substituting some unknown worthless remedy for Folley's Honey and Tar, the great cough and cold remedy that cures the most obstinate coughs and heals the lungs. Sold by all druggists.

OTHER WAY ABOUT

An American Gentleman will Marry an European Heiress

New York, Dec. 13.—According to reports received here, the wedding of George Westinghouse, the Pittsburg multi-millionaire, to the famous beauty, Miss Violet Brockelbank, daughter of Sir Thomas and Lady Brockelbank, will take place next Saturday in London.

A HEARTY APPETITE

Is what most babies have, but is of no benefit to them if they have worms. Be sure your baby is not troubled with them. Sure symptoms—always hungry, rings under the eyes, not gaining in weight and yellow complexion. A few doses of White's Cream Vermifuge will expel all worms. It is a positive cure and reliable. Price 25 cents per bottle. Sold by the Anti-Monopoly Drugstore.

SMALLPOX ABOARD SHIP

Colombo, Ceylon, Dec. 13.—The battleship Georgia, preceding the battleship fleet under command of Rear Admiral Sperry, came into port yesterday with a smallpox case on board. The patient was at once removed. The Georgia left the fleet at 10 o'clock of December 9th, and came ahead at a speed of 14 knots.

WOULD MORTGAGE THE FARM

A farmer on Rural Route 2, Empire, Ga., W. A. Floyd by name, says: "Bucklen's Arnica Salve cured the two worst sores I ever saw: one on my hand and one on my leg. It is worth more than its weight in gold. I would not be without it if I had to mortgage the farm to get it." Only 25c. at all drug stores.

RYAN HELPS TO PRESERVE MEMORY OF UNCLE REMUS

Atlanta, Dec. 13.—J. G. Lester, secretary of the "Uncle Remus" Memorial Association, announces the receipt of a contribution of $1,000 from Thomas F. Ryan, of New York, to the fund for perpetuating the memory of Joel Chandler Harris.

Mr. Ryan was tendered and has accpted the position of vice president of the association.

FLAT FOR RENT

The third floor flat of living rooms over the Star office is for rent. Apply at Star office or to Mrs. E. Van Hood.

HEALTH AND VITALITY

Mott's Nerverine 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.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS

Conventions held every Monday evening in Castle Hall, over Peyser's store. A cordial welcome to visiting knights. H. M. Hampton, C. C. Chas. K. Sage, K. of R. and S.

I. O. O. F.

Tulula Lodge No. 22 I. O. O. F. meets every Tuesday evening in Yonge's Hall. Visiting brothers always welcome.

P. V. Leavengood, N. G.
M. M. Little, Secretary.

F. & A. M.

Marion-Dunn Lodge No. 19 meets in the temple on the first and third Thursday evenings of each month. Visiting brothers cordially invited. W. D. Graham, W. M.
Jake Brown, Secretary.

CONCORDIA LODGE F. U. OF A.

Concordia Lodge No. 181, Fraternal Union of America, meets fourth Wednesday of every month, 7:30 p. m., at Yonge's Hall. R. E. Yonge, P. M.
Chas. K. Sage, Secretary.

B. P. O. E.

Notice of Sessions of Ocala Lodge No. 851 Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

The next session will be held Tuesday evening, October 27th. Visiting brothers cordially invited.

Stephen Jewett, Exalted Ruler.
D. S. Williams, Secretary.

Prof. Zimmerman's moving pictures every five minutes at Fishel's.

CATARRH CANNOT BE CURED

WITH LOCAL APPLICATIONS, as they cannot reach the seat of the disease. Catarrh is a blood or constitutional disease, and in order to cure it you must take internal remedies. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces. Hall's Catarrh Cure is not a quack medicine. It was prescribed by one of the best physicians in this country for years and is a regular prescription. It is composed of the best tonics known, combined with the best blood purifiers, acting directly on the mucous surfaces. The perfect combination of the two ingredients is what produces such wonderful results in curing Catarrh. Send for testimonials free.

F. J. Cheney & Co., Props, Toledo, O.
Sold by druggists, price 75c. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

WEATHER FORECAST

Washington, Dec. 14.—Partly cloudy tonight and Tuesday; rising temperature.

OYSTERS AT ELK CAFE

Full fry	35c.
Half fry	20c.
Milk stew	40c.
Plain stew	25c.
Dozen raw	20c.
Half-dozen raw	10c.

At any hour from 5 a. m. to 10 p. m. every day in the week. Opposite A. C. L. passenger depot.

FIRE WOOD—FIRE WOOD

We have a large supply of fire wood, both pine and oak, fireplace and stove lengths. Good seasoned wood.

A BIG LOAD FOR A DOLLAR

delivered, cash. Call at factory or 'PHONE 170—Geo. GILES & CO.

FOR SALE

Fifteen head of beef cattle, ready for market. Desire to sell at once, as owner is going out of the cattle business. Apply to Dr. W. P. Wilson, or the Star office. dw tf

HOUSE PAINTING

I am prepared to do all kinds of house painting, outside or interior work, in first-class manner. All work fully guaranteed. Find me at the Owen home, No. 64 North Magnolia street. 11-27-tf

K. W. FILYAW.

ROYCROFT PHILOSOPHY

(By Fra Elbertus.)

People are always asking you to follow their advice, but they are seldom willing to tell you which way it went.

Freedom and truth are Siamese twin.

Melancholy is the fate of the funny man.

All that ministers to human happiness is divine.

A good man will ever respect you for an honest conviction; whether he agrees with it or not matters little.

Nature gives us facts, but it is for man to distill truths from facts.

Falling in love is a matter of intermittent propinquity. The cure is—propinquity.

Fear, hate and prejudice deprive a person of the power to arrive at correct conclusions.

To possess a beautiful voice you must be genuine.

In theology belief has always been regarded as more important than that which you know.

The joy of reading consists in self-discovery.

Leave off thinking your thoughts, and feeling of your feelings.

Unstable equilibrium is made stable by progressive motion. He who stands still is lost.

The strong man's reward lies in being strong. Is that enough?

Happy is the man who strays only in his sleep.

Heaven is largely a matter of digestion.

So peculiar, complex, and wonderful is the web of life, that our very blunders, weaknesses and mistakes are woven in and make the fabric stronger.

Hate may animate, but only love inspires.

For merit there is a recompense in sneers, and a benefit in sarcasms, and a compensation in hate; for when these things get too pronounced a champion appears.

The men who live in history are those whose lives have been well written.

Hope pushed to t'other side is cowardice.

At the last, no man who does his own thinking is an "ite." Outwardly he may subscribe to this creed or that, and if he is very discreet he may make his language conform, but inwardly his belief is never pigeonholed, nor is his soul labelled. In theology the great man recoils at thought of dogmatism for he knows its vanity; and all algebraic formulae in his sublime moments are cast away.

Superfluous things are the things that we cannot do without; irreverant things in literature are the necessary.

Character is the result of two things, mental attitude and the way we spend our time.

Do not fear being misunderstood, and never waste a moment thinking about your enemies.

Don't think the other fellow's opportunities have been greater than yours—he made them.

Folks who never do any more than they get paid for, never get paid for any more than they do.

Be slow to censure your superiors, who, standing upon higher ground, see things in a better light.

FISH AND OYSTERS

I. E. Tompkins, the old reliable, is now keeping a strictly first-class stall in the city market, the last on the right, as you go in. He keeps all kinds of fresh meats, choice beef, pork, mutton, sausage, etc. Fresh fish received daily from both salt and frseh water points and choicest Crystal River and Cedar Key oysters received by each train. All are guaranteed to be fresh and fine. Also remember if you want employment or want to employ any one, consult me.
I. E. TOMPKINS, City Market, Ocala.

THREE BEAUTIFUL DOLLS TO BE GIVEN AWAY FREE

To the little girls under 12 years of age who will write a letter to

SANTA CLAUS

and follow these instructions: Tell him what you want for Christmas. Compose and write the letter yourself.

A large Doll given FREE for the best letter.

A medium size Doll given FREE for the second best letter.

A small doll given FREE for the third best letter.

Competent judges will decide the contest, which will close Thursday night, December 17th.

Bring or mail your letter to Santa Claus, in care of

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We have the largest line of Toys and Christmas Goods in Ocala. Come and look

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Come and inspect his great exhibition of Christmas and Holiday Goods, His stock is complete.

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