

Beach Combings.

A. J. Gay was in town several days this week.

Work on Mr Hogeboom's new hotel is progressing finely.

Again the Manteo is off its run owing to some breakage.

O. E. Williams, of Dothan, was an arrival on Monday evenings train.

J. D. Smith, of Marianna, was a pleasant caller at the PILOT office this week Wednesday.

The trains are making good time on their new schedule and are bringing in many visitors.

Mr Black, a contractor of Dothan, arrived last evening with carpenters, to build Mr Fortners store.

Judge J. M. Carmichael and wife, of Ozark, Ala., have been Panama City visitors for some days.

Ellias Ayar with a crew of men are engaged this week in building the fence around the new cemetery.

Contractor Hall has one of R. L. McKenzie's cottages enclosed, and will soon have it ready to be occupied.

The brick piers for Mr Fortner's two story building are built, and the erection of the building will now go ahead rapidly.

Mrs Mary B. Jenks, returned from Anna, Ill., on the Tarpon yesterday, and is stopping with her son and wife at their pretty home on Second street.

The Novelty Works are this week putting in the store front of G. H. McKenzie's building, which is to be occupied on August 1st by Mr. Klingo.

H. Nass has given up the hotel at Millville and removed here. It is said he will open a short lunch restaurant in the Hogeboom building on the dock.

F. C. Turner, of the Decatur Car Wheel Company, of Birmingham, Ala., is visiting here with his friend General Manager Ben Steele for a day or so.

Launch parties to the Gulf are that numerous now that we cannot note them individually. There are from ten to thirty launches in the excursion business all the time about the bay.

Mr Taylor, of Wewahatchka, was a visitor here this week. Mr Taylor had not visited Panama City since the picnic two years ago this month, and was surprised and pleased at the changes made here since then.

The government boat, with Capt Turtle in command, is still at the work of surveying the harbor entrance. Capt Turtle did not reach here as early as was stated in our last, but is now with the boat.

The firm of Goodson & Jenks have dissolved partnership as will be seen by notice in another column. Mr Jenks will continue the business. Mr Goodson is now acting as agent for the Tarpon but may take up other duties.

It is stated that the German American Lumber Company will at once open a lumber yard on their property at the old mill location. It is their intention to carry a full stock of all kinds of building lumber, including shingles, etc.

There is some talk of parties placing a dock at Hurricane Island and fixing up a resort there. Mr McReynolds claims to have a lease of the property from the government for five years. It could be made a very pleasant resort.

The Kehoe-Mays contest has been adjourned by the committee for another week, the committee standing seven to seven, and unable to agree upon anything. The only satisfactory settlement of the case that could be made would be to decide that there was no election.

Ernest H. Griffin, editor of the Bainbridge Post, made the PILOT office a pleasant call on Thursday last while on his way to Mobile on the Manteo, and again on his return yesterday, by the Tarpon. Mr Griffin was taking a well earned vacation, and incidentally enjoying a trip on the Gulf. He promises to return to St Andrews Bay a little later.

With the lumber coming in here by rail from Dothan, and that manufactured here, and being brought by barge from Millville, building is being carried on more successfully than it has been heretofore.

Mr. Hughes, wife and daughter, of Dothan, are guests at the Inn this week. Mr Hughes is a cotton buyer, and states that 90,000 bales of cotton were bought in Dothan last season. He says that if the cotton could be shipped direct from here, double that amount would be bought there.

J. L. Jackson, of Vernon, candidate for Sheriff on the Peoples Ticket, and A. W. Weeks, candidate for Clerk on the same ticket, were Panama City visitors this morning. These gentlemen are touring the southern part of the country in the interest of their ticket.

Fine black and sugar figs are ripening fast now, and owing to a limited demand the fruit is rotting on the ground in large quantities. Pears are also an abundant crop this summer and are exceptionally good. The orange crop is also looking well and promises a fine and heavy yield.

Mr William Gainer and wife, of Econfina, were arrivals on last evening's train, stopping at the home of their daughter, Mrs Davis. This worthy couple are probably the oldest residents of Washington county, and Mr Gainer stated that he came down just to ride on a train across the county to the shores of the bay. Like all the rest of us Mr Gainer has been patiently awaiting this event many years.

The building of a temporary station near the switch at the terminus here will be begun this week, and will soon be completed. The railway will also erect a tank here this week. The abutment of the dock is about finished and ready to fill, and a track will be placed on it this week. Little by little the finishing touches are being put on the road and it will soon be in shape to do a heavy freight and passenger business.

The PILOT is in receipt at the hands of Davis Cawthon, of a basket of tomatoes and peppers, raised by his father, W. L. Cawthon, of DeFuniak Springs, that are illustrative in a most magnificent way of the possibilities of our soil in the matter of vegetable raising. Finer vegetables were never gathered anywhere, and it is said that Mr Cawthon has had an abundance of just such vegetables right along. Of course it takes attention, and some knowledge of the work, but we have the soil, and the climate, and with proper culture any one can duplicate this fine showing.

Notifying Candidates.

The Dothan Eagle has an article on the time taken and the expenses incurred in notifying the candidates of their nomination &c. In connection with this subject it says:

"This thing is getting so big, till we are going to try to induce the proper authorities, whoever they may be, to send a committee down to Panamskity and notify Buck Baker that he was nominated mayor of Dothan some two or three months ago. A heart stimulant might be given just before the news is suddenly broken to him, that he might be prepared for the shock. In fact, we think that a committee should be sent down to notify him, for it is rumored up here, that he has his application in for chief of police before the board of aldermen-to-be-elected down there."

Now this is a slander on Buck. Any one noticing his daily duties, sitting on top of a wobbly launch, a possible life saver of the pretty girl beside him, would at once realize that he is not a candidate for anything but matrimony, and most assuredly is not in need of any heart stimulant other than that right at hand. And for the position named he seems to have an unlimited number of charming merry supporters too.

Railroad Wharf.

Owing to the storms of the past week, progress has been slow on this dock. The timbers of the abutment are now all in place and filling of the same will probably begin today, a work train having been placed here for that purpose. Pile driving began last evening on the dock proper, and will now be pushed along as fast as the men can do it. When completed this will be an imposing and extensive dock.

Ice Plant.

The ice plant is still after a plentiful supply of water. They expect to get it within a day or so, and then will begin the manufacture of ice. They have two pipes down, and are putting the large eight inch pipe still deeper, but as yet do not get sufficient water to run the ice plant. They also furnish the locomotives here with water. The scarcity of ice at other points makes the shortage felt here severely, and all that can be got from Dothan by rail, and from Pensacola and Apalachicola by boat, does not begin to supply the demand. Everything is in readiness here to make the ice but a larger supply of water.

Baptist Church Organized.

A meeting was held yesterday at the school house for the purpose of organizing the First Baptist Church of Panama City, and an organization was perfected. The congregation was called to order by Rev J. W. Boyd, after which the election of temporary officers took place, resulting in the following officers being elected. Rev J. W. Boyd, Moderator pro tem; John J. Ward, Clerk pro tem. Brother Perry, of Oglethorpe, Ga., was then appointed to read the Articles of Faith and the Covenant of the Church. After the reading explanations were made of the several points therein.

Following this a clerk was elected in the person of John J. Ward, and the election of the pastor and deacons postponed until the next meeting. Committees were appointed as follows: a committee to draft the laws, rules, and regulations of the church; a finance committee which consisted of R. L. McKenzie chairman, and John J. Ward, and Mesdames G. H. and O. P. McKenzie.

The meeting then adjourned until the first Monday after the third Sunday of the month, at 8 o'clock p. m., at which time all members of this church are especially invited to attend as there is business that will come up at that meeting of great importance to be attended to.

Wetappo.

J. Oliver was on our streets Monday. Mrs Oliver was visiting at S. Dyers Thursday and Friday.

S. Dyer made business trips to Farmdale Thursday and Friday.

Messrs Dyer & Kronmiller shipped two boat loads of brick down the Bay last week.

J. B. Taylor was up Wetappo Creek looking after their turpentine interests on Friday.

Mr Shaw, from Georgia, passed through here Friday enroute to and from Farmdale where he captured a colored prisoner.

A party of young folks from Farmdale and Allanton spent a few hours pleasantly at S. Dyers with music and singing on Sunday.

Bay Head.

Mr Ellerbee, of Bennett, was shopping here Monday.

David Singleton and wife, of Nixon, were shopping here Monday.

Arch Gainer and wife, of Southport, were shopping here Monday.

C. E. Ware made a trip to Panama City on Tuesday, returning that night.

W. M. Adams and son John Adams, of Tompkins, were shopping here on Monday.

E. M. Newman and wife, of Econfina, passed through here Monday en route to Tompkins.

R. L. Purcell has returned from Econfina and took charge of the mail boat Favorita on Monday morning.

Mrs M. Sconiers and little son Dewey and Miss Jessye Douglas, of Gloomy Valley, were shopping here Monday.

Mrs Malinda Kyser and two daughters, Misses Bethenia and Sylvia Kyser, of Tompkins, were shopping here Monday. On Monday the Leonore, in charge of Capt Lyman Dykes, brought the Misses Alderman, Miss West and Miss Calhoun accompanied by Messrs Casler, Moss, and Jones.

Parker.

A. L. Pratt is working at Panama City these days.

W. H. Parker visited Panama City on business Tuesday.

Tom Dekle gave a launch party to the Gulf late Thursday afternoon.

Mrs Hinson and daughter Blanche, visited Mrs W. H. Parker on Tuesday.

Mrs Audley Spicer and little son Otway visited friends and relatives here Wednesday.

Mrs J. N. Wilson and Mrs E. N. Dekle were callers at Mrs W. H. Parker's on Monday evening.

Mr Daniels, of Marianna, is having a house built on his lot just west of the old Peter Parker place.

We had quite a severe thunder storm here on Monday evening just at dark, but no damage was done.

Miss Annie Stephens, who has been visiting her sister for some time, returned to St Andrew on Wednesday.

E. N. Dekle took the train Monday for his home in Chipley, where he will attend to business matters and return to Parker.

The Misses Ferdons, of Chipley, arrived on Mondays train and will board for a few weeks with Mrs Taylor, on West Park street.

The Lewis Bear Co's popular traveling man, Mr Woodard, was a business visitor here on Wednesday. He found several old Chipley friends of his here.

E. Z. Taylor took a trip to St. Andrew on Monday evening, visiting friends, returning Wednesday with Dr Mitchell's horse and buggy, which he will care for during the Doctor's absence.

The Carey Horne camping party left for their home in Chipley on Tuesdays train, after a week or ten days stay. Mr Horne says he will have a house built on his place at Parker by next year.

Millville.

The barges are almost daily taking lumber to Panama city now days.

Mr Gillis, the father of Mrs Dr Lee, is visiting the doctors family this week.

Mr Nass having left the hotel a new man will be here very soon to take it.

The Baptist society here will give a supper in the school house at 6:30 p. m. on Saturday, July 25th, for the benefit of the church. Every one cordially invited.

Our little community was saddened on Sunday morning to learn of the death at 4 o'clock of Martha, wife of Mr R. M. Henderson, a lady who was much respected by all who knew her. Funeral services were held at the Baptist church on Sunday evening, Rev Hastings officiating. The church was filled with the friends of the family, nearly all following the remains to the Millville cemetery where the interment took place under charge of undertaker Brake. The floral offerings were many, and very beautiful, completely covering the casket. The music was of the best, all our best singers taking part therein.

Mrs Henderson has been critically ill for some time, but kept up her courage, and made a brave struggle for life. She leaves a devoted husband and four little children. She was a home lover and keeper, and though but 23 years of age, leaves a large number of sorrowing friends whom she had made by her Christian virtues and sweet character. Mr Henderson has the sympathy of all in his great affliction.

Card of Thanks.

I wish to thank my friends of Millville who were so kind to me during the illness and death of my wife. During my trouble they were untiring in their efforts to help me in all ways, which I appreciate more than words can express, and to them I extend my heartfelt thanks.

R. M. HENDERSON.

St. Andrew.

Mr and Mrs Malone, and Miss Malone, of Dothan, were arrivals on the train this week.

Capt Bert Ware had a party out to the snapper banks yesterday. We were not advised as to the result.

M. Rynearson and wife were arrivals on the Tarpon yesterday. The friends of this couple will gladly welcome them to St Andrews again as permanent residents.

Gay Locals

Dr and Mrs Wall are now the guests of Mr and Mrs A. J. Gay.

Mr. Willis and John Peterson were Panama City visitors last Saturday.

Mr and Mrs W. W. Green left for Panama City last Saturday where they will occupy their new cottage. We wish for them much happiness in their new home.

During the severe wind and electrical storm of Monday evening our telephone system was put out of service. L. C. Gay spent Wednesday on the line repairing damages.

We are gratified to report that Jewel Booth is convalescing from her recent severe attack of fever. She is now up, but not as yet her usual bright and active self.

A party of our people consisting of L. C. Gay and wife, Dr Wall and wife, A. J. Gay and the Misses Vesta and Ovida Gay left here Monday night for the fresh water lakes for a couple days of fishing and bathing. They report a plentiful supply of fish and a delightful time in general, but all there is in evidence is an abundance of blisters.

Cromanton.

Mr Morris called here Friday. Miss Mary Shippey visited Mrs E. C. Spicer Tuesday.

Mr Jos Forbes was a passenger on the mail boat Saturday.

Mrs Fierce is improving finely, much to the delight of her friends.

Mr Allen, of Allanton, passed through here a few days ago.

How long before we will be enjoying the ice from our ice plants?

The Lavidia, with Capt Bates in charge, took a party to Millville on Monday.

Mrs Audley Spicer took passage on the mail boat Wednesday to visit home folks at Parker.

The Jolly Rover took a party of 15 out for a jolly Sunday evening. All agree the Jolly Rover is the boat for pleasure.

The many friends of Willie Railsback will be glad to know that he is able to walk with out the aid of a crutch or cane.

Mr Fradosia towed the Cuba, loaded with brick from the Wetappo brick yard down the bay, with brick for different parties.

Tompkins.

P. N. Ellis was visiting here on Sunday.

M. D. Mashburn of Bay Head, was calling here on Sunday.

B. B. Ellis visited home folks Saturday night and Sunday.

Will Barret, of Millville, was a Tompkins caller Sunday.

F. A. Brown made a business trip to Panama City and Millville on Friday last, returning Monday.

S. E. Caula, and family, and Walter Evans and family, of Southport, were all visiting at Tompkins on Sunday.

E. M. Newman and wife, of Bennett, arrived here Monday. They will spend a few days with relatives here.

Archie Gainer and wife, of Southport was visiting here on Monday. They were the guests of Mrs S. B. Ellis.

B. B. Brown, who has been stopping here for a few days during the past week, left here on Sunday for Millville.

Nora Hoskins.