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Should Be No Let Up In Strenuous Opposition.

George L. Drew was chairman of a committee sent by the Jacksonville board of trade to appear before the senate sub-committee in Washington in favor of the Taliaferro naval stores bill. The gentleman has recently been interviewed by the Jacksonville Metropolis, and in what he said permitted his zeal to overcome his judgment. In fact he stated in so many words that the trade organizations of the entire pine belt—substantially every one of them—had been arrayed in opposition to the bill by the American Naval Stores company.

Mr. Drew paid his particular respects to the Pensacola Chamber of Commerce in this connection, declaring its recent action to have been inspired by the "trust." It is a wonder the gentleman did not also attack the integrity of the newspapers who opposed the measure and announce them to be paid hirelings of the big naval stores company. Such a claim would have been about as near the mark as the one he made against Pensacola's commercial body and would scarcely have caused greater surprise among our people. But it will be well to read Mr. Drew's remarkable statement, just as he made it:

"The combine which has done so much to demoralize conditions in Florida, however," continued Mr. Drew, "has done its work with usual thoroughness. The independent operators of Savannah have been made to think that the passage of the bill will mean ruin for their city, and similar impressions have been given to trade organizations throughout the pine belt. The board of trade of Pensacola, as an illustration, sent up a protest."

Everyone in Pensacola knows, and The Journal wishes everyone else to know, that the Chamber of Commerce passed its protest because a majority of its members saw in the Taliaferro bill a direct menace to the interests of their city, a great injustice to operators and dealers throughout the belt who would suffer delay and expense in the transaction of their business, and moreover, an interference on the part of the federal government with a matter which the states have full power and capacity to handle with economy and entire satisfaction. The naval stores trust had nothing to do with this action.

It has been stated and is believed by many that the bill was proposed in order to favor Jacksonville. From the excessive ardor displayed by the board of trade of that city, unsupported by any other organization save, possibly and very naturally, the board of trade of Tampa, one is much inclined to join those who believe in the disingenuousness of the measure.

It is gratifying to note that the Weekly Industrial Record, of Jacksonville, cannot endorse the bill as it now stands. That paper thinks the government should regulate the intra-state shipments of naval stores, but objects to the inspection feature of the measure. But it is not easy to see how the bill can be satisfactorily amended. The Journal has taken the broad ground that it should be killed. That the states should be left to supervise the markings and shipments of the stores—a duty they are fully capable of performing. This ground most assuredly has not been taken because of sympathy with the "trust," for The Journal always has been and always will be irrevocably opposed to every combination made in restraint of trade.

It may be that our absolute independence may not be appreciated by those who will step aside from the straight path of principle and right-eous conclusion in order to gain an advantage, but it is nevertheless a fact. We most assuredly take the part of Pensacola when an action is attempted which will injure its commerce—an action which is repugnant to our sense of justice and conception of the equitable and harmonious administration of the state and national prerogatives. But we take such a stand simply because it is right.

The Taliaferro bill is clearly an entering wedge in a system which, if carried to its natural conclusion would have every state in the union overrun by an army of United States officers to inspect its products of every kind and description. Such a condition would be intolerable. There would be a never ending clash between state and national authorities, a vast increase in the expense of conducting every industry and the already overburdened people would be compelled to pay the piper. And we wish to impress upon the Chamber of Commerce and upon all who are interested in preventing this threatened wrong to lose no time in preparing for a strenuous fight in congress should the Taliaferro bill ever be reported to that body.

Since the foregoing was written news has reached The Journal that the house committee on interstate commerce has tabled the Taliaferro bill by a unanimous vote. We sincerely hope it will never be called up again and that the committee's action will mean the death of the measure.

Pensacola Blue? No Sir, She is a Peach.

"Is a Pensacola Sunday as blue as it is painted? We pause for a reply from Brother Tyler, of the Journal."—Tampa Tribune.

Well, the sky is blue, the water is blue, last Sunday the wind blew; as for Pensacola herself, good Sir Edwin D. Lambright, K. C. B., there's nothing blue about her: She's rosy, rare and rollicking, first, last and all the time. There is, however, a conspiracy afoot in our land of phosphates, phruits and phlowers. Tampa should know that as well as Pensacola. Just what it means is hid in mystery, but why this enforcement of Sabbath laws against the bootblacks? We have suffered in this respect, just as you have down in the Queen City of the Gulf. If this makes Tampa blue why it must make Pensacola blue but it makes the ordinary understanding both muddy and disreputable, whether it be a number two or number ten.

And what is the meaning of it? Who originated it? Was it the preachers who deemed it a wise stroke of policy to compel us to save our Sunday morning nickels from being used for vanity, for personal beautification, in order that we might deposit them in the contribution box? Or was it the doing of the devil, himself pictured recently as a fascinating gentleman, who hopes to keep us away from church, thinking we will not enter the sacred edifice with soiled shoes?

However that may be, Pensacola is no bluer than Tampa. And we take the liberty of saying right here, if you don't put your spurs on down there, sharpen up your snickersnacks, load your blunderbusses and get to work, regular Japanese style, you'll be blue enough after you run up against those west coast politicians on the county division in April and find dear old Hillsborough cut off from the Gulf of Mexico. But come up this way some time and see a sure-enough harbor with thirty-three feet of water over its bar and big steamers tied at the city docks. And while you are here we will incidentally exorcise every blue devil that may have hitched on to your vitals.

Washington Jugglers Make Clever Coup.

There is a neat sleight-of-hand performer—probably quite a number of them—up in the Capital City of our glorious Nation with a big N. Just where and when one of these clever artists gets in his fine work it is sometimes difficult to determine—"but he gets there just the same." And the work he, or several hes or shes, is most fond of performing is the squeezing of certain little clauses out of bills, clauses obnoxious to the great interests which, for some reason beyond the ken of mortal man, are very much in the habit of doing things to make themselves unpopular with those on whom they depend for their living.

It seems that the last bill passed by congress appropriating money for the support of the postoffice department is without the customary provision requiring the imposement of a fine upon railroads when they fail to fulfill their schedule and deliver mail on time. This is a mighty good thing for the railroads, but an extremely unfortunate one for the people, for it stands to reason the former will no longer have the same incentive as heretofore to run their mail and passenger trains, as they should be run, strictly on published schedules. And it goes without saying that this will work to the greater or less disadvantage of every business, to say nothing of the general public who like to get their mail when they expect it and when public carriers are paid to deliver it.

No one knows, save those of the inner circle, where the clever coup de main which eliminated the penalty clause in the appropriation bill was made. But congress seems to be stirred up about it and to repel the insinuation that any of its members were concerned in the plot which will save the railroads some millions of dollars. It is now said that a rigid investigation will be instituted. It certainly should be. If it is not instituted, and that without delay, the press and the people ought to ask the reason why in a tone of voice sufficiently powerful and incisive to make both senators and representatives "sit up and take notice" that the public eye is on them, and that the people have made up their minds that, after all, they propose to take a hand in the government of the country.

You may use coarse confetti but not coarse language.

If the Maine was blown up from the inside, what then?

The mayor will have to take a back seat when the king takes charge of the city.

It was a foregone conclusion that Marshall, the Tennessee night rider, would not be convicted.

Don't let King Priscus find you grumpy; that is the most unforgivable offense in the eye of his majesty.

Seems as though Teddy can't bear to go back to the White House after the inauguration and see another man its master.

Nothing is harder than to sympathise with a man who "goes broke" on account of speculating in the products of the soil.

We agree with the Key West Citizen that shark fishing is great sport provided you catch the shark and he doesn't catch you.

That pessimistic old professor, Frederick Starr, of Chicago, is not the kind young America should hitch his wagon to.

Wonder if the members of that naval commission appointed by Roosevelt expect pay for their services, and, if so, how they will get it?

It is safe to place the time when the Cubans will be truly capable of self government as the day on which they shall abandon cock fights and bull fights.

Brother-in-law Robinson seems to have come to his senses even if Teddy hasn't, and is proceeding against the New York World through the state courts.

A school for manual training and instruction in agriculture is one of those things most needed by Escambia county. And what real reason is there for not providing it? All that is needed is effort.

The old dispute as to the degree of alcoholic effect necessary before a man may be called drunk is up once more in the examination of jurors in the Cooper-Sharp murder trial in Nashville. It stands to reason that never in this world will the point be settled scientifically.

The Orlando Reporter-Star wants the billy goat to be adopted as Taft's prototype because like the original he smiles through his whiskers. As the goat doesn't smile and Taft doesn't wear whiskers the Reporter-Star man is either a nature faker or else is conversing through his panama.

If "protection" is such an unmitigated evil—the source of trusts, monopoly, and every other kind of "devilment," why are "loyal democrats" clamoring so persistently for a slice of the evil? We merely ask for information.—Blountstown Democrat.

But what makes you think they are "loyal democrats"?

The Jacksonville Times-Union gives many evidences of intelligence and good judgment until it touches on three or four popular issues. One of these is the draining of the Everglades. For some cause based on a psychological eccentricity too deep for The Journal's weak brain to fathom the big Jacksonville paper is unable to differentiate between the values of Everglades lands drained and undrained, and seems to think the state ought to get as good a price for them one way as the other. This is very extraordinary and is worth investigation by experts.

POPULARITY OF THE PRIMARY PLAN.

Miami Metropolis.

Florida was the first state, we believe, or at least one of the first, to inaugurate the nominating of candidates by the primary plan—we mean the democrats, no other party having much strength in the state—and it was considered an experiment and criticised roundly by those preferring the convention plan. It has, however, steadily grown in favor, despite the adverse comments and predictions at first hurled at it. Every nominee for United States senator and representative and every county and state officer is now thus chosen by the dominant party in Florida.

It is noteworthy that the primary was resorted to in filling eighteen of the thirty-one United States senate seats to be vacated on March 3d. This is the first time that more than half the vacancies in any class have been filled through popular as opposed to legislative caucus choice. These states used the primary, either party or public: Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Louisiana, Maryland, Missouri, Nevada, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Oregon, South Carolina, South Dakota, Washington, and Wisconsin. Nominations were made by legislative caucus in Vermont, New Hampshire, Connecticut, New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana, North Carolina, Colorado and Utah. In Idaho the state conventions nominated. In Kentucky Mr. Bradley was nominated by a caucus. His Democratic opponent, Mr. Beckham, carried a Democratic primary, but was defeated by a Republican legislature, or by the treachery of a few Democrats. The west and south have very generally adopted the primary system. The legislative caucus is now maintained almost exclusively in the eastern states.

NEWS AND VIEWS BY STATE PRESS

A Philosophic View.

We were assured by a friend that we were most awfully "cussed out" by a personal admirer yesterday. That is always pleasant news to us. Shows there's something doing. We never fret over a little matter like that. A few good words and a few bad words are better than all good words or all bad words.—Orlando Reporter-Star.

Definition of Peonage.

The best definition of peonage we have yet seen has been formulated by the Charleston News and Courier: "Peonage is a statutory offense, invented by federal lawmakers for the use of federal prosecutors exclusively in the South." Henceforth when reading of a peonage suit you should know what it is.—Palatka Times-Herald.

A Pertinent Question.

The Punta Gorda Herald thinks we should abolish the legislature and have state government by commission. "Laws could be made, amended or repealed by the initiative and referendum" says the Herald. It would be interesting to know who Editor Jordan would have the law: "initiated" by after he abolished the legislature.—Starke Telegraph.

Was It Sugar Cane?

The Jasper News remarks that every hammock in Dade county is filled with coffee, growing wild. We haven't made a thorough examination, but we saw one last night that we will wager wasn't filled with coffee.—Miami Metropolis.

What a Joke!

Charlotte Gillman, a socialist, declared to an Atlantic City audience that "woman is man's horse." Must have been around when some husband wanted to do something and heard the wife "naying."—Monticello News.

Heed the Lesson.

We have had occasion several times to speak of the work St. Petersburg has done and is doing toward making itself famous as a tourist resort, and the results that work is bringing. This year when there are less of that flitting fraternity in the state than ever before St. Petersburg is fairly over-running with them simply because of that work. There is an added lesson in this for us if we would heed it. Suppose we try it this year, beginning now, and by next season we can have not only every vacant room full, but gain a large number of permanent residents as well.—DeFuniak Breeze.

Surprising Prognostication.

Here is a political prognostication as surprising as it is significant, and Albert Williamson makes it in his Floridian. He says: "If there is any truth in the adage that 'what everybody says must be so,' then Mr. Telfair Stockton is going to cross swords with Senator Taliaferro for his job in Washington." And in the meantime, what is to become of Broward?—Madison Enterprise-Recorder.

Early Tassels.

Mr. Bud Alford brought to town last Friday a small branch of an oak tree containing several half-grown young leaves and a blossom or "tassel." This is about the earliest we ever heard of.—DeFuniak Breeze.

'Tis Quite Peculiar.

Name some other city besides St. Petersburg with 5,000 citizens and 5,000 visitors where men sit on benches on the main business thoroughfare and play checkers. Great is St. Petersburg. It stands alone for unique stunts, pretty girls and grouper catchers.—St. Petersburg Independent.

No More Spuds.

We cannot accept any more sweet potatoes on subscription just now, as we have more than enough to last us through the year. Chickens, eggs, hams, bacon, and lard are mighty good with potatoes and any of them are good for subscription and scissors and will be accepted at market prices. The offer of a pair of scissors with every year's subscription paid in advance will be withdrawn as soon as the present supply is exhausted. If you want to take advantage of this opportunity you had better hurry up.—Perry Herald.

Road Not Abandoned.

From the very best sources we learn that the railroad from Live Oak to Fernandina, via White Springs, is by no means abandoned, but that the preliminary work on the construction of this road is already begun, and will continue slowly, by degrees, until the money can be more easily raised, or secured, and then the work is to commence in earnest along the route.—White Springs Herald.

If We Could!

Some of our exchanges are worked up over the proposition of what to do with our ex-presidents. We will have one left over next March who would be a very fitting ornament for the jungles of South Africa, if we could only keep him there.—Green Cove Springs Times.

A Friendly Invitation.

In view of the fact that there are so many aspirants for the speakership of the next house of representatives of Florida, why not all get together and centre on S. D. Clarke, the brilliant young statesman from Jefferson county.—Lake City Index.

Isn't He a Monopoly?

While the trusts by extortion increase living expenses, there is no economy in bachelorhood. From an economic point of view, it is far easier to get along with a wife than without one. An old bachelor, who can prosper in this monopoly ruled age, is a bird, whether he can exhibit any pin-feathers or not.—Bristol Free Press.

"Shriveled" is Good.

The decline of Roosevelt is a subject treated editorially this week by several of our contemporaries. The Suwannee Democrat expresses it to our notion when it says that Roosevelt has "shriveled". That's it, he has shriveled in public opinion.—Havana News.

Noblesse Oblige.

That 'possum contributed by Worth county to the Taft dinner is said to have weighed twenty-four honest pounds. If the weight can be duly attested that 'possum takes the persimmon, so far as our information goes, but we call upon Florida for a bigger one—the record must remain with us, and ours must be eaten by a good Democrat, as far as possible.—Jacksonville Times-Union.

Troubles Are Ubiquitous.

Are you at outs and want to move to a better neighborhood? Be careful. Visit about a little and you will find other places have their troubles. Different temperaments, conflicting interests, and diverse opinions are found in every community. It does not pay to hate, or hope to get out of trouble by moving. New troubles await us everywhere. Seek common community interests, and on that basis strive to work and hope.—Arcadia News.

A Speaking Ad.

The New York World is having trouble to find out who intends to prosecute it for crime now said that it may be an individual rather than the government. It is even intimated that it may be the president himself. What a great bit of advertising for the World, anyhow.—Orlando Reporter-Star.

Vicious and Revengeful.

Senator Tillman's defense of himself in the senate against the malicious attacks of a mad president was a scathing and just arraignment before the bar of public condemnation of Roosevelt. The president has not only departed from all semblance of dignity and decorum expected of the president of a great republic but has passed beyond the confines of decency and propriety in his vicious and revengeful assault upon the character of Ben Tillman.—Brooksville Argus.

Had He Forgotten?

Before pressing his advocacy of a plan for abolishing the legislature Editor Jordan ought to consider both sides of the matter, reflecting occasionally upon the good points of the legislative department. Take our present governor for instance. The legislature discovered Gilchrist. But for that much abused body "the gentleman from DeSoto" might still be lost in the fastnesses of the "great county of DeSoto" instead of gracing the gubernatorial chair to the pleasure of a large majority of his fellow-citizens and to the benefit of all of them. He was sent to the legislature and the legislature discovered his good parts to the people of the state who in turn were quick to appropriate them to use in a higher sphere.—Starke Telegraph.

A Convicted Slanderer.

No president of the United States ever shriveled so rapidly in moral stature and almost visibly to the naked eye, as has Roosevelt in his effort to stain the honor and integrity of Senator Tillman in the matter of the latter's purely personal and private negotiation for a small body of public land in Oregon by strict compliance with the government law. Roosevelt hates Tillman intensely, and from motives of malignant personal spite he has used his great office to set spies upon the senator and his private transactions and even ransack his desk by stealth to secure letters with the hope of proving that Tillman had improperly used his public functions to promote his private interests in the land deal. Mr. Tillman's reply to Roosevelt's charges, made in the senate last Monday, was a complete vindication of the integrity of his motives in the land deal and left no shadow of suspicion upon his honor as a senator. But it did leave Theodore Roosevelt in the shameful attitude of a convicted slanderer from motives that would be discreditable to the mean little soul of a bar-room bum.—Live Oak Democrat.

A Rich Opportunity.

The state chemist would render the greatest incalculable good to the state of Florida if he should be able to distinguish, among the great diversity of soils to be found in this state, a compound from which a vitrified brick can be made which will serve for road building. Determine this and the building of hard surface roads throughout the state by convict labor will at once be in order. The brick could be made and laid by the convicts. Further, the state, if necessary, could build branches of railroads to waterways that the cost of carriage might be lessened to different points throughout the state.—St. Augustine Meteor.

Stockton-Taliaferro.

If there is any truth in the adage that "What everybody says must be so," then Mr. Telfair Stockton is going to cross swords with Senator Taliaferro for his job in Washington.—Jacksonville Floridian.

Dynamiters Should Suffer.

There seems to be pretty strong evidences of dynamiting in our beautiful Chipola river or other streams for the purpose of securing fish. The guilty parties employ such methods in direct and wilful violation of our laws and without consideration for the rights of others or care for the great destruction and waste of what nature so graciously provided, not for this dynamiter alone, but for the benefit of all persons. Of course the explosion of dynamite in water does not only kill such fish as are wanted or may be used for food, but also destroys millions of small ones. But this the dynamiter is willing to do in order that he may satisfy his own selfish greed. A few months at hard labor as a convict would likely so impress these violators that they would not be guilty again, to say nothing of the warning it would be to others who might be guilty of the same offense. Our officers should look closely and immediately into these charges and see to it that, especially these dynamiting offenders, are arraigned and vigorously prosecuted and the crime stopped.—Marianna Times-Courier.

Somebody is going to receive $10.00 FREE in a few days for suggesting a name

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Send in by mail your idea of a good name for a most excellent Syrup for fretting, teething and feverish infants. Your suggestion will be considered up to February First.

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"New" Woman Back to Old Sphere

HAVE DISCOVERED THAT BEATING TYPEWRITER IS NO BETTER THAN BEATING OMELET, SAYS FEMININE AUTHORITY.

New York, Jan. 28.—The tendency of the "new" woman to avoid home duties, to enter the professions and occupations of men and to regard marriage as hampering a "broader" and "more intellectual" career represents merely the extreme swing of the pendulum in the movement which has brought to women many rights and opportunities not formerly enjoyed by them, according to Annie Nathan Meyer, who is one of the prominent conservative leaders of women's movements. In this respect she likens women to the American negroes after they were freed from slavery when they wanted to do only the things that they had been forbidden to do previously. Following a similar impulse women have been ambitious in their new-found freedom to rival men in education and business and have looked with distaste on the work which they were better fitted to perform.

"The problem of the future will be how best to fit women for more effective service in the tasks that have never been denied them," says Appleton's Magazine in an article by Mrs. Meyer. "They will have to be led back gently but firmly from following false gods. They have to discard the notion that because something was denied them in the past it must necessarily be just what they want. Why is it that the home is so comparatively little a creation of scientific progress and the store, the factory and the hotel are quick to take advantage of every advance? Why is the home with its power, its influences, its human interest, considered narrow, while the counting-house with its greater routine, its duller details, is considered broad? Is the man who plods all day over columns of figures doing so much more interesting work than the woman who hangs over a cradle? Is pounding a typewriter more intellectual than beating an omelet? These are questions that are beginning to be asked.

"Slowly and by degrees," the Appleton article declares, "through wiser and more extended industrial education, through scientific training for home-making and child-rearing, the old, old duties of womanhood, the scorned, belittled duties will be enthroned in their rightful place. The cry to 'enfranchise the home' will come to connote something quite different from what it now implies. It will not be brought about by dragging the home to the polls, but by consecrating to the home the accumulated result of scientific knowledge and moral progress. Then, and then only, will women find the direction of the home—to quote the president of the University of Wisconsin, 'A high intellectual pleasure, rather than a wearisome routine.' Then, and then only, will enfranchised woman come fully and freely into 'her own.'"

PENSACOLA AND PENSACOLIANS

The Best Name.

Pensacola's big hotel will be called the San Carlos. This is as good as any, we suppose, and fits the Spanish nomenclature of the streets there a little better than anything else we can think of.—DeFuniak Herald.

Lucky for Pensacola.

The Pensacola newspapers are exempt from the enforcement of the Sunday blue laws in the Deep Water City, the legislature having wisely amended the law some years ago so as to exempt publishers of Sunday newspaper from its provisions. There is not near so much work on the Sabbath in publishing the Sunday issue of a paper as there is on the Monday paper.—Gainesville Sun.

Can't Stop Her.

You can't stop the Deep Water City in her march of progress; first, a ten-story bank building, then a fine sanitarium, and next the big hotel. That is certainly going some. It even makes us fellows way out here in the sticks feel proud because we can say we live near Pensacola.—Milton Star.

One Reason Why.

Baseball is very popular in the army reservation near Pensacola on Sunday because the local authorities cannot arrest the players, being outside the jurisdiction of the Pensacola police force.—Ocala Star.

Cool.

Cook—Yes, I'm going to the ball. I understand the beautiful Miss Sweet is to be there.

Hook—Well, you don't expect her to speak to you, do you?

Cook—Why not? Is she so very bashful?

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Ayer's Hair Vigor promptly destroys the germs that cause falling hair. It nourishes the hair-bulbs, restores them to health. The hair stops falling out, grows more rapidly.

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