FLORIDA TOPICS

Short Items from all Sections of the State

A new fireproof hotel to cost $300,000 is now planned for Daytona.

Ybor City has shipped out over sixteen carloads of celery during the past two weeks.

Hotel Royal Palm at Miami is to be improved and thoroughly overhauled before next season.

Machinery has been ordered for the enlargment of the electric light and waterworks plant at Starke.

Dr. I. W. Martin, a prominent physician of Quincy, died at his home March 23, of Brights disease.

The Falls murder trial in Miami came to an abrupt end Thursday on account of Falls being too ill to be in court.

Orange and grapefruit trees at Homestead have put on a large amount of new growth and bloom and indications are favorable for a big crop.

Columbia county is the next in line for a dry and wet election, the County Commissioners having called an election for April 27, in response to a largely signed petition.

Application will be made to the next session of the Legislature for the establishment of a Criminal Court of Record for Polk county. The necessity for such a court has become urgent.

A handsome new station building will be erected at Arcadia by the Charlotte Harbor and Northern railroad, and the official headquarters of the line will be removed from Hull to Arcadia.

The Dade County Division Committee will have representation from the several precincts as follows: Stuart, 4 Jupiter, 4, West Palm Beach, 7, Boynton, 4, Delray, 4, Deerfield, 2 and Pompano 4.

According to the latest Government reports thirty-nine national banks in Florida had resources of $35,722,676; loans and discounts of $19,094,911; individual deposits of nearly twenty million dollars and a legal reserve of nearly eighteen per cent.

Mrs. Mary Pitts, a resident of McKinnonville, near Pensacola, is dead at the age of 105 years, 5 months and 5 days. She was the oldest resident of the county for the past six years. Up to three months before her death she was in good health and as active as she was forty years ago.

A fine new library, the gift of Andrew Carnegie, has just been completed for Stetson University. Its cost was $40,000. John B. Stetson, Jr., presented to the university a large base-relief bronze of H. A. DeLand, the founder of the town of DeLand and school. It was designed by the Count of Santa Eulalia, who is eminent as a sculptor.

The big tug boat, Edgar F. Coney, from Brunswick, has started out from Tampa having in tow the two new State dredges for work in the Everglades. One of the dredges will be left at Fort Myers where dredging operations will begin in the Caloosahatchee and the other will be taken to Miami from the headwaters of which river it will work out into the Everglades in a northwesterly direction towards Florida's great inland sea.

By a decisive majority, the citizens of Ferry decided in the bond election Tuesday that they believed in public improvements; that they had faith in the future of the town and that they were willing to lend a hand in building here one of the foremost inland cities of the State. Though a small vote was cast, many failing to qualify, intense interest was manifest in the result of the proposition to bond for $30,000, $15,000 for sewerage and $15,000 street improvement. The vote for $15,000 for sewerage was 36 to 7 against, and the vote for $15,000 for street improvements was 30 to 10 against.

A new project that promises to obtain considerable notoriety was presented by General M. O. Terry at the last meeting of the Board of County Commissioners of Lee county. General Terry is an enthusiast on the good roads subject and is doing good work in securing the building of public highways in Lee county. The object is to make a direct highway crossing the lower portion of of the State to Palm Beach. No information is given as to the route proposed to be followed, but it would be almost a necessity to skirt the north shore of Lake Okeechobee following along the Caloosahatchee to the edge of the Everglades and then deflecting northward around the shores of the lake. Such a route would surely be a great attraction for that portion of the State and an additional inducement to tourists to visit Florida.

Jefferson county is to have a new $39,000 court house at Monticello.

Sarasota citizens have voted almost unanimously for electric lights and waterworks.

The St. Petersburg Board of Trade has changed its name to the St. Petersburg Chamber of Commerce.

The people of Lake county have permanently organized for the purpose of improving the Ocklawaha river.

C. W. Chase, of Gainesville, president of the Dutton Phosphate Company, died suddenly in New York last Friday.

John D. Trammell has been elected representative from Calhoun county to fill the unexpired term of E. S. Fortner.

Hon. Howell A. Davis, one of Palatka's foremost business men, has been unanimously nominated for Mayor of Palatka for the ensuing year.

Palatka is soon to have free mail delivery. Postmaster Kirby having been notified by the Postoffice Department that this great convenience will be put into operation on June 15.

Strawberries are now bringing from $5 to $7.50 and some have sold as high as $12.00 per bushel. Over 7,000 bushels have been shipped from Starke and Lawtey already.

The city council of Jacksonville has imposed a $50 license tax on wood peddlers doing business in that city, and a strong protest is being made against this assessment, both by the peddlers and the citizens.

In the bond election held in St. Petersburg last week, the proposition to bond for a $30,000 high school was carried by a vote of 180 to 37 and 1 0 voted for the $45,000 bonds to improve the water front while but 29 opposed it.

Pensacola on Sunday relaxed somewhat in the enforcement of the blue laws so rightly put into effect a few weeks ago by Sheriff Van Pelt. The soft drink stands were open, and did a rushing business, boats plied the bay, and two games of baseball were played.

The old Port Tampa Inn, which was so famous during the eighties as a tourist resort, is to be removed from its present site at the port to the Country Club's property at Ballast Point, where it will be used as an annex to the handsome club house that is already erected there.

Shipments of cigars continue to increase at a gratifying rate over the figures of last year. The week ending last Saturday recorded shipments of over 4,000,000, and the total shipments for the year up to March 13 were 43,575,000. For the same period of last year the total shipments were 32,990,000, an increase for the present year of 10,585,000 cigars.—Tampa Tribune.

Secretary of the Navy Meyer and Admiral Dewey have notified the Chamber of Commerce of Pensacola that it will be impossible for them to accept at this time the invitation extended them to visit the Pensacola navy yard. Secretary Meyer, however, it was announced, would pay the navy yard a visit within the next few months.

Henry F. Hinson, a Southern Express Company messenger, is behind the bars in Jacksonville, charged with the theft of a diamond bracelet valued at $5,000. On January 25 of the present year a package consigned to Greenleaf & Crosby's branch store at Miami was checked short between Jacksonville and St. Augustine. The package contained a bracelet made of diamonds and emeralds, and was shipped to the Florida jewelry firm by H. Smith & Co., of New York. Patient work on the part of the detectives led to the arrest of Hinson on his arrival at Jacksonville from his regular run. Three diamonds were found in rings in Hinson's grip.

For the past several days a great many lead dimes and quarters have been making their appearance in Gainesville and several of the merchants have been "stuck" on the spurious coin. The imitations are very good and can scarcely be detected, except in the ring, and it would be advisable at this time for all to notice money well, especially in these denominations. Specimens found to be bad ones rather old and dark-looking and bore the date of 1881. The fact that they are so old makes it easier for their passage. It is supposed that this is part of the money recently unearthed from the Newberry section that is now finding its way here, but it would be better that all take notice of the coins of the above denominations and try and get them out of circulation.

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"One of the coming new fruits that will add to the reputation of Florida is thus described by the Eustis Lake Region: 'The new fruit, Tangelo, was shown the editor this week by Frank Savage, who has propagated the same, the tree having this year nineteen of the fruit. It is a cross between the pomelo and tangerine. The flavor is like the grapefruit, and the skin or rind like the tangerine. Great things are expected of it.' The citrus fruits of Florida are capable of further hybridation, producing new fruits, but they can hardly be improved on for flavor."—Jacksonville Times-Union.

A Baby Show in Fort Pierce

would have many contestants; but it's safe to say that the healthiest baby would win the prize. No baby can be healthy who suffers from worms and most babies do unless they are kept free from them with White's Cream Vermifuge. Acts quickly, yet mildly—is its own purgative. Mothers, don't attempt to raise children without White's Cream Vermifuge. Price 25 cents. Sold by St. Lucie Drug Co.

On April 7, 8 and 9, Pensacola will be the scene of one of the largest state medical conventions ever held in the south. All of the program has been completed, and a large number of the most eminent physicians of the south have accepted invitations to attend. The convention will take place in the City Hall, being called to order at 3 p. m. on April 7.

Mr. F. G. Fritts, Oneonta, N. Y., writes: "My little girl was greatly benefitted by taking Foley's Orino Laxative, and I think it is the best remedy for constipation and liver trouble." Foley's Orino Laxative is best for women and children, as it is mild, pleasant and effective, and is a splendid spring medicine, as it cleanses the system and clears the complexion. Fort Pierce Drug Co.

A ten-foot alligator, weighing five hundred pounds was captured Sunday at Salt Lake by Messrs. B. M. and Roy Latham, T. B. Hernandez and Paul Hornlein. Great Skill and nerve were exercised in landing him as only a slight wound was made although the saurian put up a hard fight.

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Hereafter the members of the Tampa police force will not be permitted to enter saloons or to take a drink while on duty, a violation of this rule meaning, perhaps, that they will be discharged from the force. A letter to this effect has been addressed by Mayor Wing to the chief of police.

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The St. Petersburg Transportation Company has been reorganized, with H. Walter Fuller, president; George B. Oliver, secretary, and T. K. Wilson, manager. The capital stock of the company has been increased from $25,000 to $75,000.

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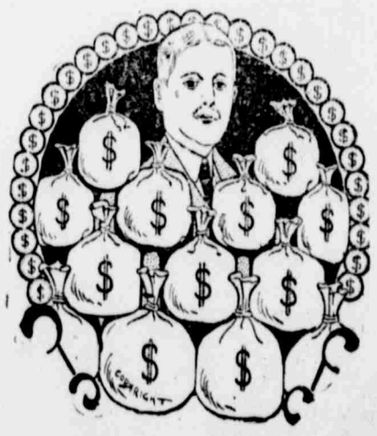

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