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Vol. I.

WINTER PARK, FLORIDA, FRIDAY, AUGUST 5, 1887.

No. 6.

FLORIDA MIDNIGHT.

The rain floats off; the crescent moon
Holds in its cup a round of dusk,
Like palm bud in the month of June,
Half breaking from a vernal husk;
Night blooming agave parts the sheaf,
To catch the light distilled in showers,
Till, overflowing cup and leaf,
Its cluster-breaks in midnight flowers.

Like merchants' breaking kids of nard,
And jars of olives, desert born,
Pine apples lift a prickly shard,
And show the seeds of fragrant corn,
While breathes a low, sweet undertone, [fern,
Like brooks that grieve through beds of
As if, by curve and pebble stone,
The moon had silted her silver urn.

Like Hebrew maids, the citrons hold
Their pitchers to the vapor spring,
And fill their hollow rinds of gold
With midnight's musky offering,
So once, I think, earth knew her Lord
In lands like these of palm and vine,
When midnight gave the sweet accord
That turned the water into wine.

—Atlantic Monthly.

A BEAUTIFUL DRIVE.

No prettier hour's drive can be found in Florida than the circuit of Lake Osceola, at Winter Park. Starting from the Seminole Hotel, a short descent through the bit of hammack between Lakes Osceola and Virginia brings us to the canal connecting the two lakes, by means of which boats are enabled to pass between the extreme north and south ends of the town or intermediate points. Just to the right before crossing the canal, on a beautiful site overlooking Lake Virginia, will be the station of the Orlando and Winter Park Railway, which crosses the canal near its Lake Virginia end. Beyond the canal our road skirts the northern extremity of Lake Mizell, almost at the water's edge, and there turning to the left we climb a short hill past the pretty place of Dr. Geer to a broad and level plateau of fine orange land. On the left, next to Dr. Geer's place is an exceptionally fine looking grove belonging to Rollins College—clean and well kept, and the trees of large, symmetrical and vigorous growth, it is a model grove. Beyond and between us and Lake Osceola is a peninsula jutting out into the very middle of the lake, which its owner,

Mr. Moyers, has named "Mossy Oaks," and which he expects to convert into a charming residence. On our right we have been passing a large grove belonging to Wm. C. Comstock, of Chicago, and directly before us is another one, also his. Turning to the right between these two groves, and passing also the groves of Messrs. Tuttle and Phelps, we look over the smooth-rimmed, regular bowl of Sylvan Lake, in a depression to the right, to the new house building for Mr. Griswold, and several other houses and orange groves surrounding the little lake. Turning again to the left, a short cross-road brings us to the elegant home place of Mr. Comstock, containing about twenty acres, extending from Phelps Ave. along Comstock Ave. to the easterly extremity of Lake Osceola. Upon this place Mr. Comstock has built a large and beautiful house, a large stable, and other minor buildings, and the whole place is planted in fruit and ornamental trees, shrubs, flowers and lawns, which with a few years' growth will make one of the finest places in the State. Passing around two sides of this place, and through a few rods of scrub and flat-woods beyond, we again turn to the left and pass several private places, all beautifully situated along the northern shore of Lake Osceola—the last is that of Mr. Guild, a quiet retreat where a few boarders have been received in the winter time. Next to Mr. Guild's place there is a short stretch of unoccupied lake-shore, affording a view over the whole length of the lake to the Seminole, three-quarters of a mile away at the southerly end. Dipping down through a narrow strip of hammack, we cross Palmer Brook, which runs from Lake Osceola into Lake Maitland. It is at present passable only with difficulty by a small boat, but it will undoubtedly be opened in the near future, so as to add Lake Maitland to the chain of internavigable waters, and enable dwellers on the shores of all to reach each other and the center of the town

by a pleasant and easy water conveyance. Pleasant residences alternate with still unoccupied water-fronts all the way from here to the Seminole Hotel, whence we started. Among these may be mentioned the places of Prof. Austin of Rollins College, Mr. John R. Ergold, whose fine new house has been previously mentioned in this paper, Mr. James S. Capen, Mr. Chapman, the Rogers House, Judge Welborne, and Dr. Tantum. The drive is one that every visitor ought by all means to take, and the present season, though warm, is by no means the least favorable time to see it, for the fresh growth being rapidly made by the groves under the influence of the summer rains gives an air of life and actual progress in the creation of the new wealth and usefulness, whose development out of the unbroken forest of a few years ago is here so striking on every hand. This one drive, through a constant succession of thrifty groves and comfortable homes, should be enough to convince the most skeptical of the capacity for useful and profitable development and the support of a happy and refined people possessed in so remarkable a degree by this favored section of our State.

WINTER PARK.

The author of the South Florida Railroad pamphlet has this to say of Winter Park and the enterprising men who have pushed it to the front rank among Florida towns, and are still pushing:

It is conducted by a company of wealthy stock owners, consisting of Franklin Fairbanks, Esq., St. Johnsbury, Vt., president; J. F. Welborne, Esq., Winter Park, Fla., vice-president; William C. Comstock, Chicago, Ill., treasurer; A. W. Rollins, Chicago, auditor; F. B. Knowles, C. H. Hutchins, Worcester, Mass.; Peleg Peckham, St. Louis, Mo., and J. S. Capen, Winter Park, secretary. Among the most desirable accomplishments of this intelligent body of capitalists is the erection of a hotel really worthy of the climate and themselves. It is arranged for the accommodation of four hundred

guests; it is heated throughout by steam and lighted by gas, and arranged with elevator, electric bells, fire alarm, suadaria, or steam baths, and hot and cold baths, approved fire protection and escape and good drainage. The vegetables are fresh from the neighboring gardens, with fruits and berries from the groves and shrubberies. The lawn is tasteful in croquet and tennis plats, shade and shrubbery and tropical plants, with bowling and billiard rooms. Good saddle and carriage horses are supplied, and steam sail and row boats on the adjacent lakes.

But these worthy gentlemen in their ideal transfer of the best New York society *en bloc* to the climate of Florida, show a profounder sense of what is the vital informing spirit of that noble old Knickerbocker sentiment than in the mere catering to physical wants. They have founded a collegiate institute, under the presidency of Rev. E. P. Hooker, D. D., supported by a learned corps of Northern instructors. The telegraph, post and news offices are in the hotel, which we cordially commend to visitors.

But we turn from such studies to the natural and cultivated charms of the country, which it owes to no fortuitous cause. Nothing is more graceful and alluring to the worn-out man of business, weary of stocks and bonds and anxious to see God's world without the stucco and plaster, than the lazy gathering and clarifying of our South Florida pools and water courses, and there is no prettier or more romantic group than those forming Howell's Creek and the Wekiva. The casual visitor who glances from the car window at the graceful buildings and rank groves of Winter Park, brightens as his eye rests on the broad avenue leading down into the cool, dark recesses of pleasure beyond. The changed foliage, the deeper verdure, its familiar massing, recalling boyish holiday tings by the waterside. Stake old magazine verses like these come to our mind, about trout fishing:

"Alas! that love which we remember,
Blush ripe as all these wanton weeds,
Should be a blossom of September,
Born guiltless of the promised seeds,
A dying thing, whose only duty
Was clothing life in form of beauty;
For though I held you in my arms,
As full of honey in your charms,
As when the trefoil holds the clover,
Your fingers tutored in a thimble,
In playing trout were found so nimble,
You caught the fish and cast the lover."

Indeed, yes.

"Our lives have grown to other needs,
Our boat lies rotting in the weeds,
And we can neither raise nor row it."

But who of us that sees a mountain brook or shadowy loch but confesses to an atavism of the old fountain worship.

The Mystery Explained.

"Pardon me, sir," he said, politely, "but, it strikes me as somewhat odd that so well-dressed a man as you should wear such a shocking pair of shoes. Are you doing it on a wager?"
"No, sir," was the reply. "I'm a shoemaker."

FOR SALE.

A house in Winter Park, has eleven finished rooms, near Depot, Post Office, Churches, Stores, Schools, etc. A good bargain if applied for soon. Apply on the premises, to the proprietor,
5-1m R. J. D. LARRABEE.

Guava trees around town are loaded with green fruit, showing that the crop will be an unusually large one. The earlier varieties should ripen within a few days. — *Orlando Reporter*.

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LOCHMEDE

Ladd receives subscriptions for LOCHMEDE—subscribe for it.

Coleridge says: "Common sense in an uncommon degree is what the world calls wisdom."

A French investigator finds that magnesia is present in all soils in which grape vines do well, and suggests experiments with magnesium ammonium phosphate as a fertilizer for vines.

To clean black cloth or silk, sponge with warm water or coffee and a little ammonia: iron on the wrong side; if the silk is thin add a little sugar to water or coffee.—*Florida Dispatch*.

The possible speed of steam vessels is apparently only just beginning to be fairly discovered. A few years ago we were astonished if a river steamer made 20 miles per hour. Now sea-going ships make more than that average time on a trans-Atlantic run, and two ships lately built to run from Liverpool to the Isle of Man make 26 to 28 miles per hour. Even this will soon be exceeded, for a Clyde firm has engaged to build vessels to make 30 miles per hour.

With the view of obtaining a potato better adapted to our climate than any variety as yet given us, Dr. Schafranek, our learned botanist, fertilized the bloom of the early rose with pollen from the flower of the peach-blow. He obtained seed from the crossing and finally several seedlings. These have now fruited and the product has the form of the peachblow and the color of the early rose. The flesh is exceptionally firm, the skin beautifully smooth and the Doctor believes it will give us a fine potato for the summer months. He has none for sale now, but will continue its cultivation until satisfied of its value, when he will place it on the market.—*Palmka News*.

Don't frighten children nor allow them to be frightened. If they are naturally afraid of some particular object or animal, keep them away from it, till they grow older, and you can reason away their doubts. Never make the mistake of ridiculing them and forcing an object of fear before their eyes to teach them better. It is cruel and positively dangerous to do so. Children have been frightened to death by injudicious or thoughtless people. Lovingly reason away their fears as fast as you can, but let them be where they feel perfectly safe, while you talk about it. Above all, never tell them frightful ghost stories or things to catch them in the dark.—*Florida Dispatch*.

THE PIONEER STORE

(IN)
WINTER PARK,

A. H. PAUL PROPRIETOR.

Would respectfully announce to the citizens of Winter Park and vicinity, that he has bought of Mr. J. R. Ergood his stock of

GROCERIES AND GENERAL MERCHANDISE,

and will aim to keep up the reputation of the store, by keeping a

LARGE AND WELL ASSORTED STOCK

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 Office at Winter Park with Chas. J. Ladd.

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WINTER PARK, AUG. 5, 1887.

NOW THAT the re-incorporation of Winter Park is being agitated, we sincerely hope that all of our citizens will lay aside all personal feelings they may have in the matter, take a thoughtful view of the benefits and advantages of having a good local government here, think of the capital that may be induced to come here, but which can not be so induced to come if there is no law or protection to their property while away, and having decided to favor it, roll up our sleeves and go to work with the firm determination first, to have every registered voter in the district present at the meeting; second, to work harmoniously for the successful termination of the meeting; third, to elect a good, representative board of officers; fourth, to loyally abide by the issue and give the board of officers elected all the moral support and encouragement which they will need in the performance of duties which are not remunerative, are undertaken for the public good alone, and which will not be any too pleasant even with the hearty cooperation of the citizens of the place. Let's put it through with a hearty, good-humored push, and with a "three times three and a tiger" when it is successfully accomplished.

MARKETING FRUIT.

The *Florida Dispatch* last week editorially called attention to the difficulty in selling fruit at auction, that equally good fruit offered before the market was well under way would not bring so good a price as after the bidding became warmer, and suggested as a remedy that all fruit sold on each day should be classified, and all lots of one class pooled and the proceeds divided equally among growers of that class. We do not think that is as good a solution of the problem as one

that has already been successfully tried, and so far as we know leaves nothing to be desired in the practical results obtained.

The *Dispatch* of July 18th contained an article giving an account of a New York cheese auction which was conducted on the plan to which we refer. Means were adopted to post the buyers on the amount and quality of the goods offered—in the case of fruit the best way would be to allow an hour before the sale for inspection—and at the appointed hour the auctioneer called for bids for choice from the lot. The buyers, knowing that if certain number of cheeses of certain quality were there, and knowing their own circumstances, as to stock on hand and ability to dispose of a particular grade, bid for choice and the one offering the best price had the choice of as many cheeses as he wanted. Then bids were taken on the choice of what remained, and so on until the stock was exhausted.

This plan brings the best buyers promptly to the sale, as they know that the best lots will go first, and thus obviates the difficulty mentioned by the *Dispatch*, of want of interest in the opening sales. It also prevents any confusion of bids or misunderstanding between auctioneer and bidder, leading to a refusal on the part of the latter to take the goods he has bought, for each bid is made on the goods actually remaining before the bidder after those already sold are set aside, and he has his own choice of those he bids on. It is easy and simple for the auctioneer, and leads to satisfactory relations between him and the consignors of the goods, for the classification and discrimination being all left to the buyer, there is no chance for any consignor to say that the auctioneer gave the preference to another lot, or that he did not have a fair chance in any way. In every way this plan seems to combine the greatest possible facility and satisfaction to all parties.—*Florida Republican*.

Jottings.

Try Ladd's Lactart for an acid drink.

L. H. Donkel is working up a large business in grain and feed.

William says that the prolonged services held in Hannibal Square the past fortnight are a "contracted" meeting.

Chloride of Lime in metal boxes at five cents each—Ladd's.

Rev. Carpenter officiated at the Episcopal church Sunday last.

Heavy showers have frequently visited us during the week past.

There was a large wash-out at Hannibal Square on Monday.

Judge Welborne has seven Catley's guavas that are bearing nicely.

The Gamwell house is finished and Mr. Paul has moved in it. It is a very pretty cottage.

Seidlitz Powders, fresh and carefully prepared, in large quantities at Ladd's—Six for 25 cts.

The advent of a daughter caused rejoicing in the family of J. J. Buchanan, Tuesday morning.

Ladd has an extra quality of Carbolic Soap. Everyone needs it to keep the skin in good condition in warm weather.

It was a boy that caused the countenance of O. J. McMillan to be so unusually wreathed in smiles, last Friday morning.

Low prices, extra quality and good variety in stationery at Ladd's. Have you tried that handsomely illuminated paper?

A letter from Mr. Peckham, who is now at his pretty cottage at Newport, complains, as do all letters from the North, of hot weather.

Messrs. Brookins & Straughter have the contract to get out stove wood for Capen & Co., and the way they make the chips fly is a caution.

George W. Godfrey, one of Winter Park's most steadfast friends, has been quite sick at his home in Rochester, N. Y., Mrs. Godfrey has also been far from well.

The many friends of Hugh MacCallum, Esq., will rejoice to learn of the safe arrival of his family party at Edinburgh, Scotland, in perfect health and spirits.

The Capen families returned on Saturday from Pablo, all of them looking well and hearty and Miss Louise, especially, is restored to her usual good health and spirits.

Ladd has the Columbia Axle Oil, the very finest thing for carriage axles. This is also the place for the ladies to purchase an excellent Sewing Machine Oil that is unexcelled.

General French says, "he would like to be fanned by the cool breezes at his lovely villa on Lake Virginia." He finds the heat at Columbus, Ga., almost unbearable.

Dalmatian Insect Powder, Roach and Rat Exterminators, Borax, Sulphur, etc., are indispensable in every family these summer days, and at Ladd's you will find them.

About the busiest man in South Florida these days is Mr. J. H. Lamay, who has his hands full of painting, decorating and paper hanging. It pays to advertise in LOCHMEDE.

There is a sadness in the house of Griffiths. Mrs. Annie Smith, the light and glory of the establishment, has departed, and the master mourns. Jacksonville profits by our loss.

A letter from Mr. O. E. Chapman, tells of good health and contains a subscription to LOCHMEDE.

We have been pleased to notice the genial Capt. Eaton, ex-Mayor of Maitland, in town several times lately. He, like a wise man, spends his summers in Florida and has a good time.

Robert White, Jr., returned from his northern trip, on Wednesday, full of business for the fall and winter. Robert is a rusher, and when he puts his shoulder to the wheel it's got to move.

Rollins College is about to issue its prospectus for 1887-8. It will be a handsome pamphlet and will contain full particulars of faculty, studies, etc. They can be had of Dr. Hooker when issued.

We noticed Mr. Bogar, president of the colored people's State Fair, at the Park Tuesday. He is working hard for the success of the Fair and it will be one of the grandest successes ever achieved in this land of successes.

Mr. Stubblefield is now hard at work on the O. & W. P. R'y trestle on the west end of Lake Virginia, which, when completed, will about complete their road from Orlando to Osecola, with the exception of laying the rails.

We are sorry to learn of the serious illness of A. W. Rollins in Chicago. Mr. G. A. Rollins, his brother, has been telegraphed to his bedside from Boston and writes a friend here that he is improving, but is a very sick man.

A little bird whispers in our ear that the wedding bells rang gaily at Longwood, on Monday, and that Mr. Parker, of Gabriella, of the firm of Hunter & Parker, Winter Park, was one of the parties most interested. Further particulars next week.

Tuesday morning Dr. Peak, of Orlando, was hastily summoned by telephone, to attend Mr. Robert Hopwood, at Bigelow Place, whose arm had been dislocated at the shoulder by a horse falling upon him. It was a narrow escape from a very serious and perhaps fatal injury.

The secretary of the Winter Park Co. receives letters every day to the effect that "California is a nice place to go to, but it is too far away and we are coming to Florida this winter." A large sized boom is a certainty here if the railroads will only give us the rates and accommodations.

Messrs. Moyers & Middaugh have started at work on the Henkel Block, which they will push forward to completion as soon as possible. A letter from the Doctor, now in Virginia, says that he cannot find a comfortable place there, and that he has not suffered more from heat in the last three years, than he has there in a few weeks. He will be back September 1st.

As Capt. E. C. Pierce was on his regular trip to Orlando, Tuesday morning, his horse took fright at a passing vehicle, and ran, throwing the Captain out on the roadside. The horse continued on to Orlando, whence a carriage was sent to look for the injured gentleman. He was found at Mr. John Diffenderfer's, where he had been kindly cared for. It is thought his injuries are not serious.

Advertising in LOCHMEDE has caused a run on "Laetart."

Here is something to think of! Figure up the cost of all the papers and magazines you take, and see if it will not pay you to take them all at once at club rates—C. J. Ladd is a subscription agent and will save you more than ten per cent.

Hon. J. E. Welborne and John R. Ergood leave for Washington and the North, very soon, both to be gone about a month. Judge Welborne has been obliged to abandon his trip abroad on account of his extended business operations here, so we have been told.

Dr. E. P. Hooker and family left for a vacation at Daytona beach, on the 2nd, they will go by the B. S., O. C. & A. R. R. to New Smyrna, and then, by Capt. Paul's fine sailing sloop, to Daytona and occupy a cottage near Rev. Stowe's on the beach. We wish them *bon voyage*.

We were shown a rough proof of the new pamphlet of the Winter Park Co., Tuesday at the office of the Company. They have started out to make it the finest and most complete that has ever been published for Winter Park, and in fact as pretty a book as can be produced. The front cover has the two cupids that have become—in a manner—the trade mark of Winter Park; following this will be a map of Florida showing all the railroads and steamboat lines in Florida, then cuts of the two beautiful little churches here, followed by cuts of the charming natural scenery and some of the pretty cottages, the two pages that come in the middle are to contain a birdseye view of the town. There will also be fine views of Rollins College and and all will be interspersed with appropriate and entertaining printed matter. Inside the back cover will be a folded map showing, accurately, seven square miles in this locality, taking from Orlando to Woodbridge, showing all the lakes in blue and making as pretty a map as has ever been published in the State. This entire work has been put in the hands of L. A. Chase, which is a sufficient guarantee that it will be first-class in every respect. It will be issued to the public about October 1. The company will be at a great expense in issuing this work, and they will bear most of it, and make it a readable, attractive book. It will have a space for plain advertising cards, but no displayed advertisements will be used, and it is hoped that all our citizens will take an interest in the matter and help along a work that will be an honor to the town and do, not only the Winter Park Company, but each individual in the community a great amount of good.

Unclaimed Letters.

List of letters remaining in the Post Office at Winter Park, Fla., Aug. 1, 1887.

Benedict, Kate A.	Pape, C. F.
Dawson, T. C.	Parker, Aliek
Dawsey, T. C.	String, Morgan
Harris, Annie (card)	Shuler, Sam (card)
Hadley, Aaron	Shagers, Bertin
Jarvest, Ernes	Sherord, Peter
Miller, H. M.	Thomas, Mrs. Lizzie

Jno. R. Ergood, P. M.

The national debt was reduced \$4,844,894 during July. Total net cash in the treasury Aug. 1, \$45,698,594. The receipts during July were about \$1,000,000 more than last year and the expenditures \$5,500,000 more.

The average temperature throughout the northern States for the whole month of July was about three degrees higher than usual. In some parts of the country excessive rains have combined with the heat to injure crops, while from Ohio to Kansas the drouth has hurt the corn and potatoes.

The South Florida construction train on Tuesday distributed new 50-pound rails and fastenings along the line through town, preparatory to relaying the track. The heavier rail will greatly improve the road, and doubtless save a good deal on the repair account.—*Longwood Republican*.

Notice of Incorporation of the Town of Winter Park.

Under and by virtue of the provisions of the laws of the State of Florida regarding the incorporation of cities and towns, we the undersigned registered voters within the metes and bounds hereinafter described, hereby give notice that it is our intention to incorporate said district into the Town of Winter Park, and that a meeting for the purpose of organizing a municipal government and electing officers will be held at Ergood's Hall, on Saturday, Sept. 10, 1887, at 2 o'clock P. M.

Metes and bounds described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at the north-east corner of Section one (1), Township twenty-two (22) south, Range twenty-nine (29) east, and running west along Township line to the first quarter-section corner, thence south two and one-quarter (2 1/4) miles to the south-west corner of the north-west quarter of the north-east quarter of Section thirteen (13), Township twenty-two (22) south, Range twenty-nine (29) east, thence east two and three-quarters (2 3/4) miles to the south-east corner of the north-west quarter of the north-west quarter of Section sixteen (16), Township twenty-two (22) south, Range thirty (30) east, thence north two and one-quarter (2 1/4) miles, more or less, to the Township line, thence west sixteen (16) chains, more or less, along said Township line to the south-east corner of Section thirty-two (32), Township twenty-one (21) south, Range thirty (30) east, thence north one-half (1/2) mile along east boundary of said section to the quarter section corner, thence west two (2) miles to Range line, thence south along said Range line one-half (1/2) mile, more or less, to point of beginning, containing forty-six hundred (4600) acres, more or less.

W. S. Lane	M. Alcott
L. H. Donkel	J. H. Ford
Alexander Earl	Charles Clark
Isaac A. Ellingwood	Henry S. Kedney
F. R. Israel	Ed. Legrieve
Joseph J. Jordan	E. P. Hooker
Charles J. Ladd	William Wilson
Jno. R. Ergood	J. C. Houston
B. C. Rackliff	E. L. Maxson
J. S. Capen	T. C. Wilkes
J. C. Smith	C. F. Aylett
Jno. M. Hunter	R. J. D. Larrabee
Thos. W. Griffiths	B. F. Moses
Dock Clark	T. B. Wilson
Walter Simpson	G. C. Henderson
Sandy Simpson	G. L. Brookhuis
R. R. Thayer	W. T. Rutland
Henry Daniels	Frank B. Bacon
D. R. Jamieson	William Devol
S. S. Capen	A. B. Bruton
J. L. Wilkes	Allen Rickets
Nathan Burrows	J. L. McLaughlin
B. L. Clark	W. M. Baxter
J. H. Lamay	Wm. A. Guild
Henry S. Chubb	John R. Mizell

A. Thomas
Robert Ruffin, his x mark
G. W. Washington, his x mark
Richard Redmond, his x mark
Samuel Wilson, his x mark

Witness to mark
C. J. Ladd.
Winter Park, Aug. 1st, 1887. G-1m

John's Hole.

The South Florida Railroad pamphleteer tells the following story of a pretty little pond, that every passenger must have noticed, close by the track on the east side, between here and Maitland:

It is a very pretty little Bethesda, and the Angel of Sal Soda, or Sal Ammoniac might well stir it a little. It is nearly round, a bright pool of some twenty to forty acres, having a low flare edge. Like many Orange county pools, it has a trick of its own. It has a shallow shelving border of still green *conferve*, twenty or thirty feet out, but then it drops to twenty or more feet in depth. One observes odd little crosses, like finger boards, at the sides. One can read on the side facing the bank the admonition: "Don't shoot the alligators," but it requires craning a good deal to read the reverse side, to the saurians; "Don't bite the bathers," but this is not the story.

THE LEGEND OF JOHN'S HOLE.

In the days of the pro-consulships there lived a few miles below Orlando, on Lake Conway, a family whose mother called its head John. This mother was a thrifty housewife indeed, and kept herself and children by raising poultry, while John fished, hunted and jobbed out, doing chores of clearing and plowing after he had begged and planted his sweet potato sets—Hyti patch. The chickens enjoyed this happy go-lucky outdoor life quite as much as John, and increased and multiplied mightily and were fat and firm of flesh and oily of feather. When they reached that succulent age when they may be expected to dine out like Polonius behind the arras, Mrs. John gathered them into coops, which John bound with rawhide to the wagon-bed and hitched to his ox team, to carry them to the Orange House, at Fort Reid. In those days there was no house north of Orlando to Fort Reid, and wayfarers nooned and roasted a cow's rib or venison chop on a stick over the coals, while the oxen fed and strayed at this round pool. It was late in the spring chicken season, the way was hot and dusty, and by the time John and his steers reached this oasis they were droughty and tired. He drove down the gentle slope, the tired steers plucking up at the sight of water, and shambling into a clumsy trot into the water. John woa'd and woa-flawed, at the pitch of his compass and tugged vainly at the guide rope on their horns. It was no use. The beasts wanted water, water down their hot throats and on their hot flanks. John yelled, and cracked his long thonged, short-handled cow whip, and woa-hawed (A

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