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WINTER PARK, FLORIDA, FRIDAY, MAY 11, 1888.

No. 19.

SUNSET.

(AFTER THE FRENCH.)

Oh hey, then, for wings in the clouds!
 Let me fly away, let me fly
 Far from where mortals in crowds
 But weary and sicken and die!
 Let me fly to the worlds of the bright,
 Ere the spark of being is out—
 Enough of the gloom of the night,
 Enough, too, of living and doubt!
 The voice which I hear from on high
 I'll understand better up there—
 Oh hey, then, for wings in the sky,
 Or a sail-driven vessel of air!
 I am longing to visit the stars,
 And the flaming Cross of the South,
 And may be in Venus or Mars
 I'll satisfy longing and drouth;
 And perhaps, too, as son of the lyre,
 May read the words writ on the sky,
 In the starry pages of fire,
 And tell them to all by and by
J. H. W., in waiting for May.

WANTED—FARMERS.

Florida, as is well known, has little in the way of mineral resources, and while her forests feed an enormous lumber trade, and her incomparable climate draws hosts of visitors, still her real dependence must always be upon the products of her soil. The value of these, and their intimate connection with the first necessity, of life—food—outweigh all other industries so far that the relative importance of the latter becomes quite insignificant. It is therefore of the first importance that our agricultural resources be developed to the utmost, and pushed out in every possible direction. The progress thus far made is only the crude beginning, which fore-shadows the rich results to follow from a more complete and systematic development. We are producing millions of boxes of oranges every year, but this is not a beginning of what we can and shall do. Much of this fruit is comparatively poor in quality, and the yield per tree is often small com-

pared with what it ought to be. The trees are often twice as long coming into bearing as they ought to be, and this, with the poor prices obtained, the losses through careless handling and delay in transit to market, and the expense of fertilizers, combine to wear out and discourage many men who come here with high hopes and good opportunities for success. In vegetable raising it is the same thing. Hard work and ill-spurred money are often invested in crops that prove a failure, or great quantities of vegetables are produced only to be sold for discouragingly low prices if not at an actual loss. We do not mean to say that this is the universal or necessary order of things, but our present good results, as a whole are produced in spite of a very large proportion of individual disappointments, and as the general wealth or poverty is but the sum of individual circumstances, it becomes a matter of the utmost moment that the average of individual prosperity should be raised to the highest possible point.

The simple fact is that here we are, with climate and soil suited to raising everything we need to feed ourselves and our animals, and yet we are sending millions of dollars out of the State every year to buy meats and vegetables, hay and grain; and other millions to buy fertilizers for the crops we do raise. There can be no doubt that a thorough system of farming, closely and carefully fitted to our peculiar circumstances, would save at least three-quarters of this expense, and instead of keeping ourselves always poor by paying out all we earn, we should have a chance to keep the money at home and accumulate capital of our own. To this end the first need is a farming population that knows its business, and understands how to make farming pay, by making the farm produce more of what is consumed upon it. Such a thing as a com-

plete farm, as the term is understood in other parts of the country, is hardly to be found here—the fields or orchards producing the main crops for sale, the horses or mules for working them and hauling the produce, the cows and hogs and poultry doing their share for food and sale, and at the same time furnishing all the fertilizers needed, the vegetable garden supplying the house and a surplus for sale, and, last but not least, the fodder patch and fields of turnips, pumpkins, etc., for feeding the stock—all the different departments working together to mutual advantage, and leaving the amount of actual expense for what is not produced at home very small. A man with a farm of that sort has a chance to save something of what he gets for his produce, but the man who has nothing but an orange grove or a field of early vegetables, as is too often the case here, and must pay out of the proceeds of his crop for work and fertilizers and living expenses for the whole year, has no choice but eternal poverty, and it is not strange that so many get there. We have already too many settlers who have come in search of an imaginary earthly paradise, where getting a living would be simply a question of planting a few trees and watching them grow, but we are sadly in need of thorough-going, practical, all-around farmers, who know how to adapt their work to circumstances and make a good living out of the soil. When we have more of them we shall no longer be forced to live out of tin cans nor pay exorbitant prices for the commonest articles of food produced here at home. By all means encourage good farmers to come here, and when they come do not be too fast about urging upon them the necessity of doing everything just as it has always been done before. Let them see the results of other people's experience, and judge for themselves as to its value to them. They will soon get their bearings and learn to steer their own course, and we shall all be better off for their coming.

A Florida Home.

The following letter, which we clip from the *Dispatch*, tells in simple language how a northern lady has found a pleasant home in Florida. "The case is in no way remarkable, but that very fact may serve to make the possibility of such a home seem more real to people of ordinary means than the description of a more elaborate place.

Dear Friend:—I have often thought that I would like to give you a description of our home in Florida, and am impelled to do so this morning while the sun is shining from a cloudless sky and the gentle breezes fan our cheeks.

The winter at the North has been unusually severe, while we can sit upon our piazza almost every day during the entire season. We have spent seven winters in this place, and the longer we live here the more we become attached to the place and the people. I think we may be able to judge by this time whether a home can be made attractive and pleasant in this climate to Northern people.

My sister bought a home in this place, hardly knowing at the time what she was doing. She had spent two winters in the South, and felt that the climate had benefited her, as she was suffering from catarrhal troubles.

The high pine lands of this region attracted her, and finding a small cottage built and partly finished inside on a two and a half acre lot, with the incumbrance of a ten acre grove of seedling trees, situated diagonally opposite, she decided to purchase. She did not desire the grove, but the owner would not divide the property. She immediately began to plan to improve and make a pleasant home for the coming winters of our lives. The first winter it seemed quite like a pioneer home of which I had often read descriptions. There were no trees on the home lot, except a few pines and about seventy stumps. A man was employed to cut the pines and remove the stumps. Then commenced the work of setting a few trees and shrubs, rose bushes being the most prominent. A Bermuda grass plot extends the width of the house on the south side flanked by lemon grass to prevent its spreading into the rose bushes which adorn the east and west side of the plot. Oak trees encircle

the entire two and a half acres, while magnolias and oaks are planted on either side of the driveway to the house, interspersed with a few bayonets; a few orange trees, with peach and palmetto, occupy the west side of the lot. The cottage has piazzas on the north, south and east sides; on the west is a court, which leads to the dining-room and kitchen, which also has a north and south piazza. We enter the front door of the house, on the south side, through a hall, which runs the length of the house; a door opposite makes a good circulation on a warm day. A door at the side leads into a small parlor, which has a fire-place near the entrance; a large open space leads into what we call the back parlor; a portiere divides the two rooms, which corresponds to a folding door; the furniture is simple, consisting of a few willow and cane-seat chairs and two hair-stuffed ones; two rugs made from a discarded Brussels carpet of good quality, which had a bright border. We cut away the faded and worn parts and saved around the border. This covered the floor to within a foot of the base board. Some pretty Smyrna rugs are scattered about, and all looks fresh and pretty. A few pictures adorn the walls, mostly from the brush of my sister; curtains of imitation Madras, tied back with bright ribbons; a few brackets containing ornaments, and a lambrequin for the mantel, painted in Kensington, brighten the rooms; a light felt spread with embroidery in the corner, covers the table in the back parlor; some choice books and a vase of beautiful roses and geraniums, and a Rochester lamp cover the table; a library table and bookcase fill other places; a small table, covered with a velvet scarf painted in Kensington stands near the portiere, and a rose jar filled with the products of our garden; a swan vase filled with the coral honeysuckle, and a frame containing the picture of a dear friend, complete the description

of the main cottage. The dining-room and kitchen are built of novelty siding, and are comfortable without paint or oil for inside finish.

We sit with doors and windows open and listen to the songs of the mocking bird, and look out upon the trees, which are covered just now with their fresh green foliage, while we partake of our simple meals, or ply our daily avocations, or hold converse with our absent friends on paper, or give ourselves up to the delight of a good book or magazine, or receive neighborly calls, and we come to the conclusion that a home in Florida (at least in winter) can be made as charming and attractive as any place on earth.—*Florida Dispatch*.

"Where is my wandering pig tonight?" Look in the pound or ask the man with brass buttons, and he will tell you what to do about it. Like the Chinaman, the razor-back must go—in fact has gone, and the "wicked flea" went with him.—*Lake and Cracker*.

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Making Bones into Fertilizer.

Procure a strong cask or box with a capacity at least double that of the quantity of bones to be reduced. If there is a barrel of bone, a molasses hogshead would be about the right size. Get a quantity of unleached hard-wood ashes somewhat larger than the quantity of bones, a half bushel of quicklime and a peck of sal soda. Place a layer of the ashes some three inches thick upon the bottom of the cask. Put a layer of bones upon this and cover with fresh ashes, then add a layer of quicklime and sal soda. Add sufficient water to wet the mixture, then add another layer of bones, cover with ashes, sprinkle on the quicklime and sal soda, add more water so as to wet the mass all through. Add another layer of bones, and proceed as with the former ones until the cask is filled or the bones are all used. Cover the last layer with ashes, lime and soda, and add water enough to wet the entire mass. Add a little water every day for eight or ten weeks, at the end of which the bone will be as fine as the ashes. The mass should then be mixed with twice the quantity of dry loam or muck, that has been thoroughly pulverized by freezing and thawing, and it may then be applied to crops either broadcast or in the hill.—*Cultivator.*

Seed Producing in Vegetables.

In the vegetable as well as the animal kingdom the production of seed is what exhausts. Beans, cucumbers, etc., go on bearing through a long season if we pick off all the fruit while green; but if we leave but one to mature its seed, the plants stop their free yield of fresh fruits. This being the case, we find that sorts of apples or pears, the fruits of which contain many seed, are less productive of eatable pulp or meat than sorts which have but few seeds. Hence a point in the estimate of a new fruit should be its tendency to yield few or many seeds.—*New York Tribune.*

A car-load of strawberries, as an experiment Lawtey sent to Chicago, although nearly a week on the road, arrived in prime condition, and sold at from 35 to 40 cents a quart, at the same time Louisiana berries were selling at 15 to 20 cents.

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THERE is no other part of the country where the farmer's work is so easy and so free from hardship and disagreeable duties as in Florida. Any farmer who has had to dig his way to the barn through a ten-foot snow-drift, with the thermometer at zero, to keep his cattle from starving to death, will know what we mean. There is no winter here.

THE little poem on the first page we print because it so characteristically French, that it is worthy of attention on that account as a study. It is evident the writer was not a Floridian, or he would not have wished for wings to reach any other "world of the bright." Nobody here talks about suicide. This world is good enough for us. Sorry for you, Frenchy. Come to Florida, and brace up.

Newspaper Literature.

A long editorial on "The Newspaper Side of Literature," concludes as follows: "Notwithstanding all the evil tendencies of current journalism,—the disregard of accuracy, the irreverence, the cruel and impertinent gossip,—there are indications which are highly encouraging.

"The fact must be recognized that not all the successful methods of the immense dailies are bad methods. There is a certain thoroughness and enterprise about them that impresses, and which will be a feature of the management of the ideal newspaper of the future. We notice, also, a tendency in some of the most sensational of these papers towards better things—towards a certain legitimate 'sensationalism.' Manners and methods have been modified under an increas-

ing sense of responsibility and in the endeavor to reach a solid as well as numerous circulation. We have spoken recently of the growing independence of the political press, of which independence examples accumulate. The sensational newspaper's editorial page already often shows a gravity and pith of style evidencing ability and conscience. There is a growing tendency towards the fearless, generous, and public-spirited discussion of living questions. Let us hope that these signs indicate a reaction against a state of things that is deprecated by the best men engaged in the profession of daily journalism.

"With all its faults the newspaper of to day is a tremendous power for good; for the perpetuation of freedom; for the criticism and reform of government; for the betterment of social conditions. The daily press has reformed many things, and ought to be, and is, fully able to reform itself."
—*May Century*.

JOTTINGS.

Dr. Brecht returned from a pleasant trip to Indian River this week.

We had a very pleasant call from Mr. J. C. Chase of Sanford on the 10th.

Mr. and Mrs. Wyeth will soon move into their pleasant home purchased of Mr. Ellingwood.

Mr. L. A. Chase writes that he expects to go abroad May 26th. His many friends here wish him *bon voyage*.

Dr. Hooker says that the past year has been a very satisfactory one at Rollins College and is very enthusiastic over its future outlook.

The delightful showers of the past few days have started vegetation to growing wonderfully and everything looks green, flourishing and beautiful.

We don't want the rainy season to set in just yet for we fear it will not continue into August and September and will make those months very warm.

The many friends of Col. Forbes will be pleased to hear that he has passed safely through a serious operation on his nostril, and is rapidly mending from it.

Mr. Thayer has been busy for a few days past putting outside blinds on Dr. Henkel's block, thus making it more than ever attractive as a neat little family hotel.

Mr. F. W. Lyman and family left for their northern home on the 8th. They will return early in the fall and will move into their lovely new cottage on Lake Osceola.

A party of gentlemen from Orlando bought the pretty steam yacht, "May B." from the Winter Park Co. and will keep it on Lake Lucerne for their pleasure this summer.

Mr. Woodruff has some of the finest plumage and Florida curios we ever saw. He is now engaged making fans from gannet feathers and beaks that are very pretty and curious.

The mother of Rev. T. C. Potter died at Haines City on Wednesday, at the ripe old age of eighty-three years. Mr. Potter has gone North with the body, which will be interred at Warner's, New York.

Mr. S. S. Capen is the proud possessor of a full blooded Poland-China boar sent him by a friend at the North. It is a beauty and has attracted a great deal of attention from those who have been used to seeing fine hogs in stock countries.

We take pleasure in saying that the Winter Park Co. has just completed a lease of the Seminole to Mr. W. F. Paige for next season. Mr. Paige as a hotel keeper has no superior in the country and will keep our hotel up to its past record as a first class hotel.

We took dinner with Tom Griffiths a few days ago. It was a first class dinner and while we were eating we could not help thinking that Tom was entitled to great credit for keeping so nice a place open for the accomodation of our people through the summer.

The omission of the morning service of the Methodist Church last Sunday was caused by the absence of the pastor, who had expected to be present, but was detained by the sudden and serious illness of his mother. There will be preaching next Sunday at the usual hour.

Our heads are so full of rumors of things to happen that we have trouble sometimes to tell which is rumor and which is sure, so that if we get too enthusiastic once in a while don't blame us, for if only a small part of the things we hear of do come to pass, people will be more than ever surprised at the wonderful growth of this section of country.

We are informed that the Park House property at Maitland has been bought by a syndicate of the citizens of the place. It is their intention to induce some hotel man of large capital to buy,

remodel and perhaps rebuild. The grounds are ample, beautifully situated, in a fine neighborhood and we doubt not the citizens who have it in charge will make every effort to have a hotel worthy of themselves and the beautiful site. We shall hail with pleasure any good that may befall our pretty neighbor.

We take it that Job did not live in a country that had red bugs in it for if he did we fear the history of his life would have been different. We are busy nursing (almost cursing) about a score of them just at present which became attached to us and would not leave us out in a hammock a few days ago and to say that we are not passionately fond of them, nor can we sincerely and truly love them, is nearer the truth than if we stated it the other way. Dog-on them anyhow!

A party consisting of Charles D. Haines, Senator, A. H. Farrar, Rev. H. Brown and C. F. Hoag, all of Kinderhook, N. Y. and vicinity, arrived last Monday evening from their homes. They were taken in charge by Messrs. Haines, Chubb, Abbott, Mizell, Capen and Major Marks who showed them the beauties of this section both by carriage and boat. They had just left Macon, Ga. where they had taken an interest in some extensive projects. They were perfectly delighted with this section, and representing, as they do, a large amount of capital, we think we hazard nothing in predicting some of the most important results from their visit that have occurred here in a long time. They left on Tuesday's midnight train for New York and we expect some very important developments soon.

Advertised Letters.

List of letters remaining in the Post Office at Winter Park, May 1, '88. If not called for in thirty days will be sent to the Dead Letter Office:

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Allen, P. S.	Hood, Dr. (Geo. M.)
Alexander, Mrs. Mary E. C.	Hobbs, Hon. C. A.
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" " Mrs. Wm.	Kellett, Miss Jennie
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Campbell, Mrs. A.	Moore, S. Walker
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Cronan, Miss Mary E.	Miller, Mrs. Hettie
" " Julia E.	McGovern, John J.
Clark, E. F.	Murphy, Miss Minnie
Cooper, Miss Bertha	Neff, James H.
Cushing, M's Florence	Ohlinger, W. F.
Dailey, Patrick	Palmer, J. Frank
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Davis, Miss Julia A.	Pickering, Mrs. D. R.
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Among the Trout and Grayling.

But distances, nor prospective rapids, nor logs, nor sweepers disturbed our slumbers that night. Had we not been told that after five miles the grayling fishing began, and that it waxed better and better clear on down to the Big Rapids, wherever they were? Aye, and we had been told better than that—a great deal better!—told that both grayling and speckled trout were there, and that both grew larger and larger till good honest three and three-quarter pounders would kick the beam ere we reached the Big Rapids. Ah! It is so easy to believe in big fish! What a rosy sky was ours, to be sure! As we lay prone upon our balsam bed that night and rehearsed the glorious possibilities awaiting us, the Preacher kicked the blankets off in his enthusiasm, and insisted on an early start the following morning. Not even the northern lights, quivering and dancing under the pole star, nor for that matter the porcupines that alternately gnawed and squeaked at an ancient beef barrel not far from our tent, kept us from dreaming dreams of wives and homes that night. How sweet our slumbers under the stars on our leathery and odoriferous balsam beds!

Oh, peaceful and sweet are forest slumbers,
On a fragrant couch with the stars above,
As the free soul marches to dulcet numbers
Through dreamland valleys of light and love.

D. D. Banta in Outing for May

The cultivation of sugar cane on the reclaimed lands around Tohopekaliga Lake has assumed proportions far in excess of what is generally supposed. There are in the neighborhood of 2,000 acres now in sugar cane, which is expected to yield forty-five tons of cane per acre, all of which has been contracted for by the sugar company at about \$4.50 per ton, amounting in the aggregate to \$400,000 or equal to 10,000 bales of cotton.

A letter written from Orange, Cal., says that the mocking birds in that locality feed on the berries that grow on the Chinese umbrella tree, and that this sort of food makes them tipsy. They act very foolishly just after a hearty meal, and stagger about badly intoxicated. —*Chicago Herald*.

The Florida Irish potato crop this season is exceptionally fine, and in some sections will turn out two hundred bushels to the acre.

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Peace River Phosphate Beds.

Of the preparations being made to develop the rich phosphate beds in Peace River, the Arcadian says: Captain T. S. Morehead, manager of the Arcadia Phosphate Company, is making things hum with a force of men completing the railroad to the river, building bridges and barges, erecting houses and sheds, and making great preparations for converting the rich phosphate into cash. Harris Raulerson and his hands are putting up dry kilns on the phosphate bar, and several drying sheds, 300 feet in length, will be built on the east side of the river. The cars are expected daily, and it is believed that everything will be ready to admit of mining in a few weeks. The machinery for the Arcadia Guano Company is being selected by Major McClure, who is now in the North for that purpose. The first shipments of raw phosphate will be made to the Scott Manufacturing Company, of Atlanta, Ga.

A Little Farm Well Tilled.

The farmer that attempts to cultivate too much land seldom makes a success of it, because unable to give minute attention to everything that requires it, hence what is done is never done well. But it is a mistake to think that the farmer is the only man that attempts this. There are men in every department of business just as anxious to do over much, and it is a notable fact that wherever they are, or wherever, they almost invariably make a failure. Some men are, it is true, able to generalize, supervise, and overlook a large and multifarious business, but they are very rare. As a rule, the man who has a limited business or a limited number of duties to attend to, and makes it a point to confine his efforts to a thorough attention to them, secures the only real success. These are found in the great mass of men of mediocre character, who know their business thoroughly and attend to it only.—*Coleman's Rural World.*

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