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No. 8.

## WINTER PARK ENTERPRISE.

### A Letter From a Resident Citizen to a Friend in the North.

Dear Tom:

I'm delighted to tell you, off-hand, oh! That the steam-dummy road between here and Orlando

Is a well assured fact. Could you but have been near

Some few days ago, I would have charmed you to hear

Such eloquence as has never been expended Since time first began, nor will be 'till 'tis ended.

The theme was—the Rail; and the scene of display Was near Morton's grove, at the bend of the bay.

But I must not anticipate; let me rehearse What transpired from the first, in my poor dog-grel verse.

This is how it occurred: On the evening of Monday (The day that preceded it being Easter Sunday),

On my homeward way bound, I was bending my course—

Thinking nothing about these so-called iron horse— Tow'rd's the shore of the lake, when there burst on my sight

A score of our citizens, colored and white. I wondered to see such a gathering, where

To meet even one individual is rare; And seeing their eyes all perusing the ground,

I fancied some poor soul had been drowned, That the lake had been dragged, and the dead body found

In a moment, however, the dream was dispelled: For, as I drew near to the crowd, I beheld

Gleaming bright in the beams of the wistering sun— Shovels, axes and hoes, every man bearing one;

Man of substance from mansion, and laborer from hovel, Each carried a grubbing-hoe, axe, pick or shovel.

"Hulloa, friends," I exclaimed, "What is this all about?"

"What object has called such a gathering out?"

"We have met, sir," said one who seemed chief of the crowd,

"To break ground for the Orlando and Winter Park road."

"Will you join us?" "That will I, right gladly," I cried.

"I'll be one of your number, with infinite pride. So I picked up a shovel, fell in with the rest,

And posed as a digger, with no little zest. Then, looking around to see who by good luck

Were there to do honor in boldness and pluck, I marvelled to find how, except as to seating,

Provision was made for a number one meeting. A Judge and a Colonel, a Can[n]on all loaded

(Which only at intervals ever exploded), The Church and the Army, the Press and the Bar,

Labor, Capital, Enterprise, all, Tom, were there. Judge John R. Mizell, J. S. Capen and cousin,

Peckham, Abbott and Chubb—in all, nearly a dozen;

Canon Street, of All Saints', too, in first rate condition,

And editor Branch, who adores Prohibition, Nor forget we the gentlemen sure to be there,

Who hail from the precincts of Hannibal square

And last, but not least, the photographer's art. Thro' Rackliff and Bartlett, played no minor part.

Soon a question arose, as to who it should be That should act for the time as presiding M. C.;

And all seemed to think the right man for the place Was the genial ex-secretary, Loring A. Chase.

So, reluctant and blushing, the modest young soul Was led forward and placed on a prominent knoll.

Thence he spoke quite at length; but I cannot pretend

To follow the speech from beginning to end. 'Twas like—I do hope you won't think I'm in fun—

Cleero and Lem-oethenes rolled into one. He commenced (as some preachers begin I believe,

On every occasion) with Adam and Eve, And brought down the records of all Transpor-

tailion, Almost from the period of Adam's creation;

Or at least from the time when the poor banished pair Went forth from the garden in utter despair.

That was their transportation; the next one was—Noah's

Who embarked in a ship that had windows and doors, And transported himself, with his sons and his

daughters, In safety to Ararat, over the waters.

From tradition, the orator said, 't would appear That the Garden of Eden had flourished right here;

The original Paradise, Tom, prithee, mark! Was located right here, in our own Winter Park.

That, I might have been so, I don't care to deny, But—between you and me, I suspect it's a lie.

However, his words called out shouts of applause, And the can[n]on went off,—"you'll say—"not

without cause;" (By this I don't mean he abandoned the ground,

But "went off" with emphatic and audible sound.) The speaker wound up his most telling oration

By showing how, now, every civilized nation Uses steamboat and rail; "and why"—he would

ask—"Should not we all unite in the promising task That opens before us?"

The oration was ended; Loring Chase, blushing still, from the hillock

descended, And left the field clear for some others to say

What he'd tried to *Rome* touching that memorable day.

Judge Mizell, J. S. Capen, and Abbott and Chubb All spoke as tho' they'd been trained at the Hub.

And when they had done, Col. Peckham threw a bit, All the rest followed suit, and yet no one was hurt.

Nothing more can I tell you, but should you desire To see a good picture of what did transpire,

Just send on a quarter to Rackliff & Co. (This is not an advertisement, Tom, you must

know), And they'll send you a photo, so life-like and clear,

That you'd almost imagine yourself had been there, So success to the enterprise now well in hand, Oh!

The steam-dummy road 'twixt the Park and Orlando.

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## OPENING OF THE ORLANDO AND WINTER PARK RAILWAY.

In the early part of 1886, if we remember right, a plan originated in

the mind of Mr. J. H. Abbott, for connecting the two towns of Orlando and

Winter Park with a railroad, which, as the two towns were rapidly growing,

it was hoped would develop into a lively suburban road and be a paying

investment as well as a nice improvement and another attraction

for our tourists who visit this region. The charter was obtained by Orlando

parties, all of them gentlemen of energy, but without enough capital to go on

with the work, and among the first discouragements met with was the

difficulty in making men of capital believe that the road would ever be a

success or ever be built. Working along against every sort of obstacle,

always confident of the final success of his project, Mr. Abbott persevered,

and in the winter of 1887 the Winter Park Company was asked for a right

of way into the town. Of the two or three routes then in contemplation,

the one most in favor came up on the east of all the lakes, past Mr. O'Con-

nell's place up to Judge Mizell's place, and then it was so arranged that all

trains would back into Winter Park, and enter Orlando at Robinson ave-

nuce, thence extending westward to the South Florida railroad right of way.

Opposition from the residents along Robinson avenue, and from the Direc-

tors of the Winter Park Company to backing into Winter Park, decided the

railroad company to abandon that route, and the right of way as at pres-

ent used was granted by the Winter Park Company at their meetings.

About that time Mr. Abbott suc-

ceeded in getting some Winter Park parties interested and by them enough

capital was secured to grade, bridge and tie the road all ready for the rails.

It was thought that if that were accomplished, bonds of the road could

be negotiated sufficient to complete the road. Here a new difficulty came

up in the way of unexpected opposition from the authorities in Orlando to

letting the railroad have a right of way. This was soon overcome and

with substantially a complete right of



way, the first shovel of dirt was thrown about where the platform at the foot of Rollins avenue now stands, with appropriate ceremonies which are best described by the lamented Canon Street in a poem he wrote at the time a copy of which precedes this article.

The work of preparing the road-bed for the rails was completed in August of 1887. The bonds were issued and placed and reached Chicago only a few days after the death of the party who was to take them and pay for them, so that the greatest discouragement of all confronted the enterprise. Yellow fever came on that summer, making it impossible to interest capital in Florida just then, and so nothing was accomplished until in January 1888, the railroad building firm of Haines Bros., of Kinderhook, N. Y., took the contract to complete the road, taking bonds in payment. They were not able to complete their contract, and in November, 1888, Mr. Francis B. Knowles, with his usual liberality and public spirit, came to the rescue of what seemed to be a sinking ship; work was begun at once and on Wednesday, February 13th, 1889, Mr. Abbott saw the completion of his pet project and the discouraging labors of three years crowned with success. Where a person is so well known for liberality, public spirit and good deeds as Mr. Knowles is here, it is perhaps useless for us to say, what is a fact, that but for his timely aid and succor, this beautiful little road would now be among the ruins of the past and would be referred to as something foolishly started and fatally ended by men who had nothing but energy to back them.

Now let us digress a little to say that perhaps it is not appreciated by all how much Mr. Knowles has done for this community or to how many objects among us he has extended the liberal, helping hand, suffice it to say that aside from the very life of the town itself, the following objects, along with others not now recalled by the writer, have been benefitted and helped by him: Rollins College, Congregational churches here and in Orlando, All Saints' Church, circulating library, and Improvement Association. These do not include help extended to various public institutions here by the Winter Park Company, of which he is

principal stockholder and consequently, principal contributor.

Wednesday, February 13th, was a beautiful day. 2000 tickets had been issued to citizens and guests of Winter Park and Orlando. The following schedule was safely, promptly and successfully carried out, and 3000 trips taken by as delighted a crowd of people as it was ever the pleasure of the writer to see. No delays, no accidents and nothing to mar the perfect pleasure of all.

Trains left Orlando at 9, 10:10 and 11:20 a. m., 12:30, 3:30, 5, 7, 9 and 10:30 p. m.

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WINTER PARK, FEB. 22, 1889.

WE have received one permanent church notice this week, and give another transient one in the Jottings. We should be glad to make the list of permanent notices complete, if those concerned will kindly send us the material and keep us informed of corrections. We should also like to add the standing notices of literary, social and other societies.

THE last report from the Oviedo and Cincinnati quick transit man is that he has made arrangements by which he hopes in future to get cars through in five or six days, but he has not done it yet. That is about where he was when first heard from, and may be taken as the limit of success for this year, as the crop is practically all disposed of, or so nearly so that no new arrangements can be looked for.

WE are glad to have so much local matter this week. It is of no use to try to make a local paper successful unless the people join in and help supply a variety of matter of local interest. There are plenty of our people who might occasionally contribute something, and the very fact of the contribution coming from a near neighbor would give it a certain interest, even if in itself it were not of great importance. We are always glad to get such matter, and appreciate it as a mark of interest in the paper and a

help in what must otherwise be an up-hill undertaking. With the abundant literary ability among our people, it seems a pity that it should "blush unseen, and waste its sweetness on the desert air," while our paper goes out to the world filled with "scissors and paste."

**C. L. S. C.**

*Editor Lochmede:*—I feel tempted to write you a few lines upon a subject which I do not remember to have seen mentioned in your columns, yet which I am sure is well worthy a place in them, inasmuch as all who are in any way interested in the development of Winter Park, are certainly interested in any enterprise that will benefit its people. And that the Chautauqua Literary and Scientific Circle does benefit all who are in any way connected with it, I think no one will deny.

With the early history of our local circle, I am not familiar; I did not have the pleasure of attending any of its meetings until last spring, nor of joining it until this fall, so it is only of its work so far through the year, that I shall speak. For the enthusiasm and general interest manifested in that, I think I can vouch. We have not had a poor meeting, either in attendance or programme, this year, and we hope to continue that record. Our evenings are usually taken up somewhat as follows: an opening exercise from the Chautauqua book of Vesper Services, followed by roll call, minutes, etc.; then what we call "Current Events," consisting of a newspaper clipping or any short item of current news from each member in turn; next the business, after which comes the programme proper, usually one or two papers, a debate or a discussion upon some subject of general interest, interspersed with music and recitations, the evening closing with a social half-hour. Or, in lieu of the papers and discussion, a talk by one of the college faculty upon some subject in connection with our reading.

Our members are of two classes, active and local, the latter being those who are not taking the Chautauqua course of reading, and the former those who are. So that any who would like

to join with us, but feel they have not the time to do all the reading, need have no hesitation in doing so. We will gladly welcome them.

Our meetings are held every second Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock, notice of them always being given at church, and a programme posted on the bulletin board at the post-office.

In conclusion, I should like to offer through your paper, and in the name of the circle, a most hearty and cordial invitation to all, to meet with us. And if our clerk of the weather will only give us a little finer Tuesday nights than he has been favoring us with lately, I feel sure that they will find as we do that the evening has been very pleasantly and profitably spent.

H. B. WYETH.

**JOTTINGS.**

Major and Mrs. W. C. Beardsley of Auburn, N. Y., are at the Seminole.

Chautauqua Circle was held on Tuesday evening at the residence of A. H. Paul.

C. R. Switzer, accompanied by Mrs. Switzer's sister, arrived from Chicago this week.

The annual meeting of the corporation of Rollins College was held at the College on the 20th.

G. A. Rollins happened in on us on the 16th, and has spent the time since shaking hands with his many friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Hart and son Fred were at the Seminole Monday and Tuesday. They have gone on a trip of two weeks to Indian river and will then remain here until the close of the season.

Regular services of the Methodist Church continue at 10:30 a. m. and 7 p. m. on Sunday, and 7:30 p. m. on Tuesday. The pastor, Rev. P. J. Reeves, preaches Sunday morning and Tuesday evening.

There was a very pleasant hop at the Seminole on Thursday evening under the management of the following efficient committee of arrangements: L. P. Lawrence, C. J. Hicks, W. L. Palmer, E. Hudnall and T. S. Coart.

The large congregation which attended the service at White's Hall last Sunday evening, enjoyed a rare pleasure in a wonderfully interesting and effective discourse preached by Rev. Dr. Geo. D. Watson, of Windsor, Fla.

The children of Winter Park are invited to meet at White's Hall on Saturday afternoon, March 2nd, at 3 o'clock, to



form a juvenile temperance organization. Mrs. Alden and Mrs. Smith will meet them there and make the arrangements.

A miscellaneous entertainment, musical and literary, is to be given in White's Hall, Tuesday evening, March 5th, by the Methodist Church in Orlando, in aid of the building fund of the Winter Park church. A large advance sale of tickets ensures a good audience.

The Orlando and Winter Park railway took the colored people of Orlando and Winter Park on a complimentary ride over the road last Friday. The trains were run by Messrs. Anderson and Hills, and were crowded with pleasant, good natured colored people.

As it was announced several weeks ago that a public meeting of the W. C. T. U. would soon be held, it may interest our readers to know that Dr. Henry Foster, of Clifton Springs, N. Y. and Lake Charm, Fla., will speak here at an early date, or as soon as other engagements will permit.

Bishop Weed, bishop of Florida, held services Thursday, Feb. 21st, at 10:30 a. m., at All Saints' Church. On Wednesday evening a reception was held at the residence of Col. Peckham for bishops Whipple and Weed, and to give the new rector, Rev. B. F. Brown, a chance to get acquainted with his parishioners. It was a very pleasant affair and was largely attended.

A Dickens evening was given at the handsome new cottage of F. W. Lyman; on the evening of February 15th. It was largely attended and was a very pleasant affair. The following programme relating to the works of Dickens was presented. Duet, Misses Reid; Reading, Boots at the Holly Tree Inn, Raymond Alden; Piano solo, Miss Garritt; Solo, Miss Reid; Reading, Death of Dora, Bessie Hooker; and the following characters in costume were introduced to the guests: Little Nell, Miss Gussie Paige; Her grandfather, F. W. Lyman; Little Joe, Foster Ingraham; Policeman, Frank Bartlett; Fat Boy, Herbert Root; Pickwick, Dr. Jones; Tracy Tupman, Dr. Eager; Barnaby Rudge, Geo. Fisk; Dolly Varden, Miss Fisk; Jingle, Albert Barrows. The affair was for the benefit of the Ladies' Library and netted quite a neat sum for this worthy enterprise.

The potato crop of this country is estimated at 210,000,000 bushels, the largest ever harvested; hence the small shipments from abroad.

#### Disfranchisement for Crime.

The complete disfranchisement of men who have been guilty of the lesser offenses would not be just nor expedient. Such men ought to have space for reformation. The first term of their disfranchisement might well be brief. Conviction for drunkenness or disorderly conduct might exclude from the polls for one year. More serious misdemeanors might entail a longer disfranchisement. And it would be well to give large discretion to the authorities who grant pardons, and who regulate indeterminate sentences, that they may restore the suffrage more speedily to those whose conduct in prison has been exceptionally good. But we should make sure that every conviction under the criminal law work some temporary forfeiture of political privilege. We should make it plain to the dullest mind that good conduct is the indispensable condition of the possession of the franchise; that those who wish to take part in making the laws must refrain from violating the laws.—*Dr. Gladden, in the Century.*

For the year ending June 30th, 1888, the number of acres of Government lands entered in Florida was 1,266,368, double that of any other Southern State. Nearly all the entries were made, as shown by the receipts, by actual homesteaders, who expect to live upon the lands entered. This will add greatly to Florida's material advancement.

The Southern boom, for that is what it is, is on a permanent basis. The resources of these States are practically inexhaustible, and attract the manufacturer in iron and cotton, and the miners and quarrymen. It is absurd to say that a change of administration will stop this development.—*Cleveland Leader.*

The employees of the various canning houses in the State of Maryland receive \$10,500,000 annually in wages. In all, 35,000 persons are employed in this industry, including boatmen and dredgers.

#### Church Services.

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# Opening of O. & W. P. Railway.

(CONTINUED FROM SECOND PAGE.)

The trains were in charge of the four men who have stuck and hung to the road through all discouragements for over two years, Messrs. Abbott, Mizell, Chubb and Capen, and to say that their gratification at final success was intense and satisfying is to put it mildly. In the evening the Orlando Guards came up and gave an exhibition drill at the Seminole which was greatly admired by all. The elegant hotel Seminole was crowded from morning till night with a delighted crowd. The beautiful yacht, "Fanny Knowles" ran every hour with merry crowds. The streets of Orlando were thronged all day with Winter Park residents and guests, and in fact it was a day long to be pleasantly remembered by both towns.

The original or charter officers of the road were R. J. Gillham, president; Geo. R. Newell, secretary; J. T. Beeks, treasurer; J. H. Abbott, superintendent and engineer. They were succeeded by John R. Mizell, president; H. S. Chubb, vice-president; Geo. R. Newell, secretary; J. S. Capen, treasurer; J. H. Abbott, superintendent and engineer; who were in turn succeeded by the present board. Francis B. Knowles, president; John R. Mizell, vice-president; C. H. Hutchins, treasurer; J. M. Russell, secretary; Geo. R. Newell, local secretary; J. H. Abbott, superintendent and engineer; H. S. Chubb, general freight and passenger agent; J. S. Capen, auditor and purchasing agent.

After the manner of a college class prophecy we wish to close by a prophecy of what we believe the future of the road is to be. First, it will be successful as a local, suburban road, both in delighting residents and guests and in carrying packages and freight. Second, it will be extended to the St. Johns river, connecting with a line of steamers therefor freight and pleasure travel to the North. Third, it will be extended to some point on the Atlantic coast and with its connections there with a line of ocean steamers and with a railroad to be built down the coast, and in passing through the rich Geneva, Oviedo and Lake Howell districts, and in its connections at Orlando with the South Florida, the

F. R. & N., the Orange Belt from Oakland, and the Sugar Belt from Runnymede will be one of the most important and profitable lines of transportation in Florida.

In addition to resident stockholders which includes nearly all who have ever had an interest in the road, it now numbers Francis B. Knowles, Wellington R. Burt, democratic candidate for governor of Michigan last fall, the Brill Car Co. of Pennsylvania, probably the largest firm of car builders in the United States, and others of no less solid financial note.

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