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WINTER PARK, FLORIDA, FRIDAY, MARCH 29, 1889.

No. 13.

## THE TIME TO SEE US.

As often as the present season of the year comes round we find ourselves newly in love with Florida, and wishing that those who came in the winter and saw only the comparatively dead and brown aspect of things—albeit green and flowery even then by comparison with snowbanks and blizzards—could be with us now and see the matchless delicacy and variety of tint with which the newly expanding foliage of the oaks and other deciduous trees and bushes fills our woods, the orange trees in bloom, the flowers of many kinds in woods and gardens, and eat of our strawberries, fresh picked and in full juice and flavor. By way of variety we have also ripe mulberries, while the pomelo or grape fruit, the lemon and sour orange give a variety of acid fruits of peculiar value at this season. Add fresh vegetables in variety and abundance of eggs, and the housekeeper will easily see the opportunities for a first-class bill of fare.

Last but not least, no one has seen Florida who has not tasted the delicious air that makes it a pleasure to live just for the sake of breathing it. We are in the habit of boasting of our climate at all seasons, but from this time until June it is at its best, and fairly makes the birds sing for joy, and ourselves wish we were like them, that we might live in the soft air and vent our pleasure like them in constant song.

This is the time of all others to leave the combination of rain, sleet, wind, mud, slush and ice, that makes up the northern weather and walking for March and April, and drink one's fill of Florida air, laden with the perfume of orange blossoms and tempered to a nicety, neither warm nor cold, dry and soft, flowing into the lungs like oil upon a wound, after the harsh treatment of northern airs at this season. Come and see us, and you will forgive even the spring poet, if indeed you are not tempted to emulate him by the beauties around you, as a dancer feels his feet start at the

sound of stirring music. "There's music in the air" here at this time if there ever is anywhere.

## A GREAT SCHEME.

It is proposed to unite a hundred of the largest dealers in Florida fruits into a great syndicate or trust, says the *New York Tribune*, which will undertake to secure practically the whole crop of oranges. The plan is to establish a great central packing house, for which Sanford is mentioned as a location, to which the fruit from a large part of the State will be brought, thence to be shipped in solid, quick-time trains to New York as a distributing center. It is proposed to send agents to the growers in September, who will advance three-fourths of the price on not over three-fourths of the crop, secured by an agreement to deliver the whole crop on demand at the packing house.

The dealers have evidently got tired of waiting for the growers to organize, and propose to do so themselves, and while this puts the growers somewhat at their command, it will, if carried out, be an immense advance over the present hit or miss way of getting our product to market, for it will remove all care and risk from the grower, and unite the trade into a power sufficient to deal with transportation companies on equal terms. This will at once bring about such a system of transportation as will enable the combined dealers to pay a fair price to the grower and still get the fruit into market at such rates as will secure a wide sale, to say nothing of avoiding the waste now caused by ill-advised shipments to overstocked markets.

We would rather have seen a combination of growers, but after several years of effort, only resulting in a dozen different rival combinations, no one of which is big enough to swallow the rest, we fear that solution of the problem is not practicable. Hence we gladly welcome this new departure and hope it will receive the hearty cooperation of all our growers.

## SHALL WE DO IT?

Mr. Fred A. DeBary, owner of the line of steamers which bears his name, and Mr. Geo. Cecil, general manager of the line and president of the Lake Jesup Railway, were in Oviedo last Friday morning, and were shown over the line of the O. L. C. & L. J. R. R. by Hon. Geo. H. Browne. The gentlemen were greatly pleased with the road and satisfied that it would be a paying institution from the start. Our citizens can depend on it that the DeBary line will do its share in building the road, and to give us a good boat service when it is completed. We understand that the work of laying the iron will commence in a few days, and be pushed to completion as quickly as possible. Now is the time for the Orlando & Winter Park Railway to extend to Oviedo, and make connection with the DeBary line to Jacksonville and Clyde line to New York. It will open up a new route for tourists to reach Winter Park and Orlando, as well as to give those points the benefit of low rates afforded by water transportation. The distance from the northern terminus of the O. & W. P. R. R. to the Oviedo terminus of the Lake Jesup R. R. is about ten miles, and could be built without any great expense. — *Oviedo Chronicle*.

## Summering Strawberry Plants.

Many have fine beds of strawberry plants during the spring and early summer, but lose them in the heat of summer. This has been my experience for several years. This year after many suggestions from others, I conceived the idea of planting peas (the field pea) between my rows of berries for the purpose of shading and protecting them from the hot rays of the evening sun. I kept the pea vines from smothering the plants by trimming the vines. It proved a perfect success, and my plants are now (Dec. 29th, 1888) green and vigorous and full of blossoms. — *C. B. Ferrill, Montgomery, Ala., in Southern Cultivator*.



**Tax Sales.**

The *Tavares Herald* says: "We have seen a letter written by Comptroller Barnes to a citizen of Lake county, in which the Comptroller expresses the following opinions, which will be of general interest:

As to relieving property of the apparent cloud caused by the illegal tax sales, I will say that such sales can be easily set aside by application to the court and the costs recovered from the purchaser of the illegal tax certificate; but it would be easier to have the holder of such tax certificate or deed issued therein to quit claim to the owners, and I have no doubt he would gladly do so, as he can get his money back from the State. The tax assessor can be sued on his bond for any damage accruing by reason of his failure to follow the law and causing an apparent cloud to be placed on the title of any property.

**Storing Seed Potatoes.**

Much trouble is experienced by farmers and others, who have occasion to store potatoes for a considerable length of time, in preventing their germination, and consequent depreciation in value as food. Experiments prosecuted in Germany have shown that this can be accomplished by exposing the potatoes to the vapor of sulphurous acid, by any of the various well known modes, and a large quantity of potatoes can be treated at one time. This process, if not entirely effective in accomplishing the object, will retard or modify the sprouting of the potato to such an extent as to render the injury caused thereby very slight. The flavor of the potato is not affected in the least by this treatment, nor is its vitality diminished, the action being simply to retard or prevent the formation and growth of the eyes. —*Tennessee Farmer*.

A deer farm, several hundred acres in extent, for the purpose of furnishing venison for the market, is the bright dream of several of the prominent citizens of Charlotte Harbor and Tampa. They say they can fence in three hundred acres that they know of, and enclose from fifty to seventy-five deer to start on, without having to catch them.

Hon. Thomas Hind, member of the Legislature from Putnam county, writes to the *Orange City Times*: "I was much pleased to see the editorial on fraudulent fertilizers. There are few subjects of more importance. I introduced a bill at the last session to regulate the sale of commercial fertilizers, which the House Committee on Agriculture reported favorably. I propose introducing it again next session and hope that now the 'great and good' is aroused to the importance of the subject, we shall shortly have an effective law which will protect our people from the frauds that for years have been practiced on them."

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**WINTER PARK, MAR. 29, 1889.**

THE annual meeting of the Florida W. C. T. U. will be held at DeLand, April 3rd, 4th and 5th. Miss Frances E. Willard, president of the World's W. C. T. U., is expected to be present.

THE most enterprising and successful merchant or manufacturer is not he who seeks all sorts of devices to keep up the price of his goods, but he who seeks all ways to make them cheaper, in order to enlarge his market and get as large a share of the trade in his line as possible. So with our fruit; if we are to market a large and increasing crop successfully we must have a large and increasing market, and the only way to get it is by studying all possible means of selling our product to the public at a lower and lower price. Of course we must save a living profit for ourselves, but we must learn the cheapest methods of production, of packing, of transportation, and of marketing, in order to reconcile a fair profit with a low price. That is the problem.

THE Oviedo *Chronicle*, which speaks for a section contributing a large and growing quantity of fruit, endorses what we have lately said as to the uselessness of a high tariff to maintain the price of oranges, and instances the additional fact that in the latter part of the season, when foreign oranges are coming in more plentifully and selling cheap, ours maintain quite as high a price as earlier in the season when there are very few foreign ones in the market. This is on account of the superior quality of our fruit, and the superiority which now gives us a

higher price by the side of the foreign article will, when our supply increases to the point of lowering the price by home competition, enable us to crowd out the foreign fruit entirely, or force it down to the supply of a still lower grade of the market than we can yet reach. We think it will be found that the foreign fruit never has been and never will be a serious competitor with ours, because its inferiority confines it to a lower market in which ours has no place.

ANOTHER argument for the use of tax-bills, sent in advance to owners of property, which we did not mention last week, is that it would increase the number of prompt payments and decrease the amount of advertised property, a matter of great advantage to the State. A merchant never questions the advantage of sending out bills to those who owe him money. It is true that they might come to him and find out how much they owed and pay it, but the merchant who waited for them to do so and in default put the accounts in the hands of his attorney for collection by attachment of his customers' property if necessary, without sending a bill first, would be thought to do business in a way not only very discourteous to his customers but very disadvantageous to himself. Sending a bill is not only a more gentlemanly way to treat a debtor, in that it assumes his honest intention to pay, but it is also much less expensive than legal proceedings. Moreover it leads many a man to pay voluntarily, who if force were the first resort would do his best to resist payment. The same is true of debts to the State. Send a man a bill for his taxes, and he has a memorandum for reference, which is a constant reminder of what he must pay, and gives him a fair chance to prepare. He saves his money and when he has the amount pays it like a man with no ill-feeling. Give him to understand in a general way that taxes of uncertain amount must be paid by a certain time, or his property will be sold, and he will very likely think little about it until near the time for payment, and then perhaps find it impossible to get the money, or will go at considerable expense of time and

money to pay and find the amount greater than he anticipated and be a little short of enough to meet it. Naturally he will in either case be more or less embittered and correspondingly disposed to dodge payment if he can. There is no doubt at all that courtesy pays in public business as well as private, and there are a good many ways in which that principle might be applied with advantage in the State's dealings with its citizens.

**JOTTINGS.**

Mr. Isaac Ellingwood's sister has been at his home on a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Beckwith of Charleston, S. C., spent a day at the Seminole the past week.

Hotel Seminole, after, for this season, a remarkably successful run, will close on the 4th of April.

J. S. Capen is expecting a visit from his brother and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Capen, of Bloomington, Ill., next week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ingraham, prominent residents of Chicago, and grandparents of Foster Ingraham, are here for quite an extended stay.

The O. & W. P. R. R. is now running as per time card No. 1 and can be depended upon from now on. We hope to be able to give our guests a ride from Lake Jesup to Orlando by next season.

Our freight and passenger depots at the S. F. R. R. are now complete and they are handsome additions to the beauty and attractions of our place. Thanks to the Plant system, may their shadows never grow less.

Mr. Henry Hall has moved to Knoxville, Tenn., and the Palmetto is now in charge of its owner, Joseph H. Lamay. We can recommend the tourist public to the Palmetto as a good place for food and rest at moderate prices.

Mr. W. S. Lane sold his grove through the Sinclair and Mills agency the past week to Mr. and Miss Cassidy, brother and sister, of Brooklyn, N. Y., for \$12,500. They are to be congratulated in having secured one of the prettiest places in Florida, and in consequence, in the world, for a home.



Mr. and Mrs. Frank E. White and son, Henry, are at the Seminole for a few days. Mr. White is a large shoe manufacturer in Brockton, Mass., and came here to visit Mr. T. N. Howard, a life-time friend. They were very much pleased with Winter Park.

We believe that if a strong effort is made now by the residents and parties interested along the line to secure the completion of the O. & W. P. R. R. to Lake Jesup, it can be accomplished during the coming summer, thus giving us another direct water communication with the North. We hope everybody will work for this valuable addition to our transportation facilities.

Mrs. Sophie Howard Knight, soprano soloist and teacher of voice at the Mt. Dora Chautauqua, and a very prominent member of the musical profession in the North-west, came over on last Tuesday for a day's visit with her cousins, Mr. and Mrs. T. N. Howard, at J. S. Capen's. Her opinion is that Winter Park is the garden spot of Florida and she is right.

Among prominent people at the Seminole are Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Knowles, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Hutchins, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Russell, Mrs. Sawyer, Mr. Hobart and family, Mr. Edwards and family of Boston, Mr. H. Sanford of New York, Mrs. H. B. Plant, Mrs. J. E. Ingraham, Mr. McHalpin and family, L. O. Garrett and family, Col. and Mrs. Franklin Fairbanks, L. A. Chase, Mr. and Mrs. Paine, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Chute and Gen. Geo. Thomas of U. S. army.

Winter Park is indebted to Mr. Enos Ayres for a nice article in the *Chicago Herald* and to Mr. T. N. Howard for a long, ably written article in the *Boston Boot and Shoe Recorder*. These two articles probably reached the eyes of 50,000 people as the *Herald* is, perhaps, the most prominent society paper in Chicago, and the *Recorder* reaches almost the entire list of boot, shoe and leather manufacturers and dealers in the United States, besides many in foreign countries.

A very merry party went to Orlando on the 4:15 p. m. train on the O. & W. P. R. R., by the invitation of Mr. F.

B. Knowles to meet Messrs. Hutchins, Fairbanks, Russell and party on their return from Ocala and Silver Springs. Bent's celebrated orchestra went along and enlivened the occasion with sweet music. The train was composed of a combination car, a passenger coach and an observation car. It was conducted by Mr. Anderson and engineered by Mr. King, who held the reins over the "daisy" engine, F. B. Knowles, No. 1. The guests of the Seminole were all invited and a merrier party never left the Park. Arrived at Orlando, some of the party went on a tour of observation around town, some stayed on the train and listened to the music. Soon the T. O. & A. train rolled in and amid shouts and greetings the party from "abroad" boarded the train and started on the return trip, which was safely, smoothly and pleasantly made, and the party disbanded at the hotel entrance with three rousing cheers and a tiger for F. B. Knowles. The party is indebted to Mr. Chase and Mrs. Hutchins for a supply of peanuts, and to Mr. Chute for a big pan full of luscious mulberries.

It is just one hundred years since the introduction of Methodism into New England. Jesse Lee had the distinction of having been the first circuit preacher, and a bronze equestrian statue on the site of the old apple tree at Norwalk, where he held his first meeting, is proposed.

The bee keepers of the East Coast anticipate a good honey crop this season, as the mangrove, which affords the main bee pasture in that section, has nearly recovered from the effects of the big freeze in 1886.—*Florida Dispatch*.

#### Church Services.

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**The Nicaragua Canal.**

It is now said that operations on the proposed Nicaragua Canal will probably be begun this month by sending a dredging plant to Greytown. The harbor of this town, which is to be the terminus of the canal, is constantly liable to be filled up by sand moving westwardly, through the action of shore currents. It is proposed to construct a pier of brush and piles, which will allow the harbor to be opened to vessels of 15 or 18 feet draft. The work of permanent improvement to 30 feet draft will not be begun until the building of a railroad inland. This road will bring rock taken from the great rock-cut, and which will be used for the sides of the canal through the marsh-lands, and for the construction of a permanent pier at Greytown.—*Philadelphia American.*

Plants grow as long as they live, and live much longer than animals. A Baobab tree in Senegal, about 100 yards in circumference, was reckoned by Adanson to be over 5,000 years old. An oak in Dorsetshire, England, is thought to be 2,000 years old. As the Baobab is now known to be a fast growing tree, doubt has been thrown on the accuracy of Adanson's estimate. Baron Humboldt thought the dragon tree of Teneriffe the oldest tree, but Asa Gray, in Johnson's Cyclopaedia, gives precedence in tree longevity to the Mexican taxodium or bald cypress, a very slow growing tree.

Among other valuable and curious finds on the lands bordering on Bayou Chico is a fine mineral paint of various hues, from bright vermilion to stone gray and slate color, with intermediate tints. This has the appearance of clay, but can be washed clean from any earthy matter, or humus, and mixes readily with either water or oil (better with the latter when calcined and ground), and has remarkable lasting qualities.

Efforts are being made to have Sanford a selling point for oranges next winter. Nearly one-third of the crop of Florida passes through this town. Some parties propose an auction house here, others a fruit exchange.—*Sanford Mascotte.*

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