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DOLLAR A YEAR

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HAPPENINGS ABOUT TOWN.

The losses at the West mill are fully covered by insurance.

Mr. S. W. Teague leaves today on an official visit to Tallahassee.

Miss Rowena Griffin, of Georgia, is in the city the guest of her sister, Mrs. T. D. Lancaster.

Mr. G. E. Hammond, a prosperous farmer of the Blitchton neighborhood, was among the many visitors to Ocala yesterday.

Miss Florrie Crook, of Palatka, will come to Ocala Sunday to be the guest of her sister, Mrs. A. E. Gerig for several weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Munroe left yesterday via S. A. L. for a tour through Mexico for the benefit of Mr. Munroe's health.

Our store will be open every night until 10 o'clock the balance of this year. The Ocala Bazaar, Gadson, Superintendent. 12 15 11

A few articles of embroidery and pyrography suitable for Xmas presents, also materials for doing same can be obtained of Mrs. Quigley at 25 Dougherty street, Ocala. 12 16 6t

Mrs. Newbern, of LeRoy, accompanied by her mother, Mrs. C. Y. Miller, passed through Ocala yesterday en route to Gainesville, where they go to visit friends.

Dr. S. H. Blitch, of Blitchton, was among our numerous visitors yesterday and says that he will begin building that dwelling in Ocala just as soon as he can get around to it.

Miss Johanie Liddon will return home today from a visit to her father and brother at Parrish. Mrs. Mallory Liddon, who went with her, has extended her visit to Tampa and will return Monday.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Jones, just west of Ocala, was made happy several days ago by the arrival of a 10 pound girl. Dr. Jno. M. Thompson was the attendant, and says all are doing well.

We are glad to note that Mrs. Edward Hiller was out driving yesterday for the first time since her serious accident when she was thrown from a carriage while visiting Hon. and Mrs. E. H. Mote at Leesburg four weeks ago.

Mr. J. H. Brinson, principal of the commercial department of the East Florida Seminary at Gainesville and candidate for superintendent of public instruction for this county, is visiting Ocala and shaking hands with his numerous friends.

Mr. Edward Holder had the misfortune to have a valuable dress suit case stolen from him while stopping over in Dunnellon Saturday. The contents are worth several hundred dollars. He has offered \$50 reward for the apprehension of the thief.

We are in receipt of a pleasant letter from Mr. James P. Lavin, formerly immigration inspector stationed at Key West and during which time made several official and social visits to Ocala. Mr. Lavin is now immigration agent at Seattle, Wash.

Rev. L. W. Moore, who has been assigned to Ocala by the late annual conference, as editor of the Florida Christian Advocate, made a favorable reputation wherever the paper was read, and as a pulpit orator has few equals and no superior in the conference. Ocala is to be congratulated.

Miss Sara Harris, of Ocala Fla., who is the guest of friends in this city has been elected as one of six young ladies to represent Florida at the St. Louis Exposition next spring. The contest was participated in by scores of candidates, and the prize was well worth striving for.—Thomasville (Ga.) Enterprise.

A Busy Day in Court.

Yesterday was a busy day in the circuit court.

Israel Brown, an old time colored man, was convicted of selling intoxicating beverages without a license.

The court withheld sentence. Edward Austin, charged with the larceny of a horse, entered a plea of guilty and was sentenced to serve a term of three years at hard labor in the penitentiary.

Rebecca Mixon alias Rebecca Howard was next put upon trial charged with the murder of Willie Butler.

The crime for which this woman is on trial happened in the Spencer quarters some months ago.

A dispute arose over some cents, both parties were under the influence of liquor and the woman, it is supposed (there were no eye witnesses) stabbed him to the heart and in a little while he dropped dead.

The woman was defended by Hon. Raymond B. Ballock, whose reputation as an eloquent and successful criminal lawyer, is becoming very great, and the state was ably represented by Mr. Neil M. Allred.

Both gentlemen made notable speeches.

The following named gentlemen served as jurors, viz:

John T. Crawford, James L. Smoak, Clifford M. Livingston, S. L. Bitting, H. T. Altman, M. F. Dodson, H. C. Raysor, H. G. Dansby, J. L. Parramore and Robert G. Blake.

After being out several hours the jury returned a verdict of "guilty of murder in the first degree with a recommendation to the mercy of the court."

This saves the woman from the death penalty.

City Council Meeting.

The regular bi-monthly meeting of the city council was held last night. Six of the nine aldermen were present.

The most important thing that engaged the attention of the distinguished body was the declaring of the result of the recent municipal election. After carefully inspecting the ballots and detecting no frauds or irregularities the gentlemen already named in these columns were duly declared elected.

The electric light plant, the procuring of electric light poles, a horse for the fire department and other matters were discussed, and several bills and ordinances were referred to the several appropriate committees.

An Oyster Supper.

After the election of officers last night the Masons gave a bounteous oyster supper which was largely attended and greatly enjoyed.

Oysters were served in all styles: raw, stewed, fried, scalloped, roasted, patties; besides, pickles, crackers, coffee, cigars, etc.

The following visitors were noted: A. P. Stucky, Tampa; George Heintz, Blackville, S. C.; S. E. Livingston, North, S. C.; J. J. Watson, Tallahassee; Lowell Goodsell, Springfield, Mo.

The newly elected officers are the following:

J. E. Chace, W. M.; Sidney Hiller, S. W.; J. J. Williams, J. W.; Jake Brown, Sec'y; Frank Watson, Treas.

Students Coming Home to Spend the Holidays.

The students who will spend the holidays at home are the following:

Misses Bessie Porter, Stetson University, DeLand; Edna Dozier, Converse, S. C.; Hazel Hiller, N. Y.; Sallie Camp, Hollins Institute Roanoke, Va.; Mary and Rebecca Anderson, Randolph Macon, Lynchburg, Va.; Shellie Souther, Wesleyan Macon, Ga.; Pansy Souther, Osco and Guy Zewadski, Bruce Meffert, Hampton Chambers, East Florida Seminary, Gainesville.

For Sale.

Thirty five acres rich hammock land near Ocala. Twenty acres under fence and ready for immediate cultivation. Good for trucking of all kinds. Apply at this office. 10 14

The Passing of "Soup Bones."

The fancy cross bred steer, Soup Bones, exhibited on the streets yesterday, was sold by the Chamblis & Co. Stock Farm, to the Florida Meat Packing Company, and will be butchered at once and put in cold storage, to be sold by this enterprising institution, to its customers for Christmas beef. This steer is out of a high grade Shorthorn cow by a registered Hereford bull; was two years old on December 2nd, and weighed yesterday, on McIver & McKay's scales, 1300 pounds. This fine animal is the first baby beef to be finished and butchered in Florida. He was bred in Indian Territory. Mr. Kaiser, the expert butcher for the packing company was amazed when he went to the Palmetto Park Stock Farm, as he said no such animal had met his eye since leaving Kentucky and the big western slaughter houses. The quality of this meat is that usually served at the best city clubs. The Windsor Hotel, in Jacksonville, the best patronized hotel in Florida, has sent in a large order, and will serve this meat to its crowds of guests on Christmas day. The time will come when Florida beef will fill the best demands, and as the honor roll of the users grow, at the head of the list will stand the Florida Meat Packing Company and the Windsor Hotel, of Jacksonville.

A Big Sale.

Mr. J. M. Benton, who has been occupying the McConnell house on Camp Heights for the past three years, yesterday concluded the negotiations for the purchase of the beautiful four and a half acre lot owned at different times first by Mr. James A. Harris, Mr. Albertus Vogt, and the late Mr. Brumby McConnell, and lastly by Mrs. Cox.

It is the most beautiful lot in the city and was the one selected for the location of the state capital had Ocala been fortunate enough in capturing that prize.

Mr. Benton will divide this property into half acre building lots and will dispose of all but one and that one he will reserve for his own use and will immediately erect upon it a fine dwelling.

A Card of Thanks.

To the Editor of the Ocala Banner.

Will you be so kind as to allow me space in your valuable paper, to express my gratitude to Messrs. O. W. and F. O. Reagan, the employees of the Spoke and Rim Factory, the W. O. W. and all other friends, for their kindness to me in my recent illness.

Respectfully,

W. I. KNOX.

Ocala, Fla., Dec. 14th, 1903.

Heavily Fined.

C. S. Brown, white, of Silver Spring, was tried before Judge Bullock Wednesday morning for selling whisky without a license and was found guilty.

The court sentenced him to pay a fine of \$500 and costs, or in default of which to be imprisoned one year in the county jail.

Public Notice.

The public is hereby warned that I will pay no orders given on me from any person whomsoever unless such person has written authority from me authorizing them to make such orders. Ocala, Fla., Dec. 1, 1903.

12 4 4t C. J. JOHNS.

For Sale at a Bargain.

House and lot of E. C. Hood in third ward now occupied by E. W. Davis, for sale at a bargain, for cash. Apply to R. G. Wright, Oxford, Fla. 12 1 1m daw

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Twenty acres rich hammock land, near town, under good fence, ready for immediate cultivation. Good onion, cabbage and potato land. Apply at this office. 10 14

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A Big Tobacco Deal.

Abe Brown and Bro., Ocala's enterprising wholesale merchants, purchased today from the R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Company, of Winston-Salem, N. C., a solid car load of tobacco—twenty thousand pounds—aggregating about eight thousand dollars, the cargo consisting of Schnapps, Sweepstakes, Brown's Mule, and Our Advertiser's smoking and chewing, also Reynolds eight ounce for Sunday chewing.

The Reynolds Tobacco Company is one of the oldest tobacco houses in the south and the brands are the best sellers on the market and are largely preferred by both dealers and consumers.

The Influence of the Newspaper—A Sample Letter.

Henry, Marshall Co., Ill., Dec. 14.

To the Editor of the Ocala Banner. Will you kindly send me a sample of the Ocala Banner (daily and weekly.) We are thinking of moving south and believe there is no better way to learn what a community is socially, religiously, financially and educationally, than through the paper published there. Thanking you in advance for your favor, I am,

Yours respectfully,

MRS. MELVINA BAGULEY.

On Their Way to Lakeland.

Mr. E. W. Drake and family, numbering eight—the same number that were saved in the ark—passed through Ocala in covered wagons yesterday from middle Georgia en route to Lakeland where they will make a fortune in growing oranges.

We hope like Noah they will find a land of plenty and will grow up a posterity that will call them blessed.

While unloading wood for this office yesterday a colored man had the misfortune to run a nail through his foot, another colored man standing near by acted as surgeon and extracted it. Instead of resorting to ordinary remedies, the man took the nail and securely put it in his pocket and when asked what he intended to do with it, said he was going to nail it into the first red oak tree that he passed and that then the wound would immediately heal. The other colored man assented to the proposition and said it was certainly a sure cure.

From now until 1904 we will keep open until 10 o'clock at night. The Ocala Bazaar, Gadson, Supt.

Hon. Z. C. Chambliss, of Ocala, a prominent citizen of the Brick City and member of the firm of Munroe & Chambliss, bankers, was a visitor to Gainesville yesterday. Mr. Chambliss says commercially Ocala is in fine condition, and that trade is better than it has been for many years.—Gainesville Sun.

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