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BEAUTIFUL WEDDING AT BENSONHURST, LONG ISLAND

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A very pretty wedding on June twenty-third was that of Miss Amanda Bell Wright at the residence of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Fletcher Wright, at Bensonhurst, L. I., formerly of Florida, to Mr. Floyd Metcalf of Jacksonville.

Miss Wright, now Mrs. Metcalf, is the granddaughter of the late General Robt. Bullock, C. S. A., and the oldest of a family of three sisters and one brother, the latter being now in Alaska as a prospector and miner.

Miss Wright was married by the Rev. Asa Blackburn of the Church of the Strangers, New York, formerly of Tennessee. She was given away by her father and attended by her beautiful sister, Miss Marie Wright, as maid of honor. Mr. Metcalf's best man was Mr. Chas. Muncaster of Jacksonville.

Wagner's wedding march was superbly executed by the distinguished artist, Angelo Patricolo.

The lovely blonde bride was gowned in white chiffon over white satin; her veil wreathed with lilies of the valley. A magnificent bouquet of white roses was the gift of the groom.

The ceremony was simple and impressive and will always be recalled by the many guests as a most felicitous occasion.

Miss Marie Wright, the maid of honor, a brunette of great beauty, wore a robe of pink chiffon over white satin.

Many southern friends were present, among whom were Mr. and Mrs. Bands and Mr. and Mrs. Whipple of Mobile, Miss Sally Bell Rice of Florida and Miss Mary Wood of Trenton, N. J., both of the last mentioned being relatives of the bride.

The drawing rooms were exquisitely decorated with a profusion of palms and ferns and natural flowers.

After a tempting collation the happy couple left amid a shower of rice and merry sallies of fun and wit, for an extended tour of the sea and mountain resorts of New England until autumn, when they will go south to their beautifully equipped home in Jacksonville, which the groom left completed ere he came north to claim his bride—the sweetheart of his boyhood.

Marriages are said to be made in heaven. Be that as it may, never was a happier union of hearts and hands than that witnessed and this most auspicious occasion.

We must not omit to mention the presents to the bride, which were rich and numerous, attesting to the affection and esteem in which she is held by her many friends both in the north and south.

Both the young bride and groom are well known in Ocala, and the above account of their marriage will be read with interest here. The young bride is a member of one of Florida's most distinguished families, and her mother grew to young womanhood here, and was married in this city.

Friends extend congratulations and best wishes.

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MR. LIGHT HAS A WORD TO SAY

Reddick, Fla., June 26, 1909.
To the Editor Ocala Banner:

I would like to write your paper a few words on the enclosed clipping:

"In spite of Mr. Light's persistent, insistent and consistent capacity as the watch-dog of the Florida treasury so far as legislative expenses were concerned, this session appropriated, in round figures, eighty thousand dollars, which was practically the same amount as was expended in 1905 and 1907; while the time consumed in their discussion and passage amounted to enough to have hired an extra clerk or two."—Pensacola Journal.

If the Pensacola Journal, before publishing the above clipping, had carefully examined the legislative expense account as published in the legislative journals of 1909 and 1907, it would have written, I believe, very differently.

I quote from the journals of the 1909 and 1907 legislatures, and if they are correct, then legislative expenses have certainly been very greatly reduced.

The committee clerks of the 1907 senate numbered 22. The committee clerks of the 1909 senate numbered 8. The committee clerks of the 1907 house numbered 17. The committee clerks of the 1909 house numbered 5. Total committee clerks of both houses in 1907 numbered 39. Total committee clerks of both houses in 1909 numbered 13. Is that a cut or not, and what kind of a cut, in legislative expenses?

The total cost of legislative attaches in 1907 was \$26,000. The total cost of legislative attaches in 1909 was \$19,000. Is that a cut of expenses or not?

This is what Chief Clerk Kellum of the lower house has just written me: "You were always at your post of duty, and ever alert to the interest of the state. It was through your efforts that there were \$4000 saved on clerk hire alone. On all questions between the interest of corporations and the people you were always found on the side of the masses. (Signed) J. G. Kellum."

The first few days of the lower house there were 19 committee clerks employed. They were all discharged and 5 committee clerks were elected by the house. Some of those 19 committee clerks were private secretaries to noted corporation lobbyists, also were engaged in charging members of the house for typewriting bills, etc. Other committee clerks were correspondents for leading papers, etc., while some were the children of members of the house or other political friends, etc., so you see a committee clerk was drawing pay from three different pay-masters.

The five committee clerks copied our bills, did any and all clerical work that they were requested to do, did more clerical work than the 19 original clerks, and besides saved the members of the house at least \$1000 in copying bills, etc.

Yours truly,
L. S. LIGHT.

MOORE'S MODERN METHODS

Everyone has heard of Moore's modern methods of bookkeeping and loose leaf ledger system. So great has been the demand for these perfect ledgers that the Ocala Banner has decided to keep a full line of these goods, and anyone wishing ledgers, record sheets, contracts, account books, and everything for the office of the business man, should call at the Banner office and get the best.

METHODIST PREACHER BEING SUED BY DAUGHTER-IN-LAW

What promises to be one of the most interesting suits ever brought in this state has just been filed by Attorney J. J. Lunsford of this city, in the circuit court of Hillsborough county. The plaintiff is Mrs. Dahlia Bigham, by her next friend, Jose Silva, her father, she being a minor, and the defendant is Rev. James W. Bigham, pastor of the First Methodist church of Jacksonville, one of the most prominent ministers in the south.

The suit is for alienation of the affections of James Bigham, son of Rev. J. W. Bigham, and the husband of Mrs. Dahlia Bigham, the complainant. The damages are assessed at \$20,000.

Mrs. Bigham is now in Tampa, and has been for some time, living with her father, Jose Silva. She met young Bigham in this city, while the latter was employed at a soda fountain, and they were much together. Miss Silva was generally pronounced the prettiest young woman in Tampa, and it was not a surprise when it was learned that she and Bigham had eloped to Jacksonville, where they were united in marriage by Rev. Mr. Bigham, the father of the young man.

Short Honeymoon

Their married life was short. The complaint in the suit just filed alleges various acts of alienation on the part of the father, and asserts that the present whereabouts of young Bigham are unknown to his wife, and that such knowledge is withheld from her by the minister. Other allegations have to do with alleged treatment accorded Mrs. Bigham when she visited Jacksonville and sought to resume marital relations with her young husband.

Since returning to Tampa a child has been born to Mrs. Bigham. The young mother claims damages from the father, asserting that he has been entirely or largely responsible for the separation of the young couple and for the present absence of his son from his proper sphere as husband and father.

The suit is brought in this county, and the Jacksonville minister will have to defend it in the circuit court here. Mr. Bigham is a leading figure in his church and denomination and a prominent worker in the Anti-Saloon League. In the last state campaign, he took a very active part in behalf of state prohibition, espousing the cause of Jno. N. C. Stockton against Gen. Albert W. Gilchrist, and he was severely criticized for participating so thoroughly in factional politics.—Tampa Tribune.

Mrs. Bigham is well known in this city, having spent several months here last year with Ocala friends. The Rev. Mr. Bigham is also well known here and the outcome of the case will be watched with interest.

MACHINERY FOR ICE PLANT NEARLY READY

The new machinery recently installed by the Ocala Ice & Packing Company will be ready for use in a few days, and will give the plant a total capacity of forty-three tons of ice per day.

The new machinery is the latest and best on the market, and this company was forced to increase the capacity of their plant in order to adequately conduct their large business.

The moment human lips imprison truth it becomes a lie.

WHY JEWISH NAMES WERE NOT THERE

I had occasion not long ago to look over some divorce statistics, and one significant fact stood out very prominently—the almost entire absence of Jewish names. "Why is this, I wonder?" a friend asked.

It is not so strange when we remember a few salient facts that are, however, all too little known. When a Jew becomes engaged to be married, for instance, he sends out cards announcing the fact; often he pays for an announcement in the newspapers. He makes his engagement known, with the result that few Jewish engagements are broken. And if we will notice the courting of a young Jew we will find that he is not allowed the run of all the Jewish homes in his neighborhood where young Jewesses

live. He is not engaged to half a dozen Jewesses before he is twenty-one.

Courtship and marriage are sacred and ancient customs among the Jews; not taken lightly; not entered into promiscuously. And a strict adherence to this custom leads to one or two results that stand out very prominently in any investigations of Jewish womanhood; that there exists a higher standard of purity and virtue among Jewish women than among the women of any other race; that there are fewer Jewish women on the streets than of any other race; that there are fewer divorces among the Jews than with any other race. In all the investigations made by this magazine into the fearful results of the parental policy of silence with children on the question of their physical selves we invariably encountered but one condition among Jewish parents; they had

dealt frankly and honestly with their children. There is a world of food for thought and study in those incontrovertible facts about the Jews and their wise handling of their young on the marriage question. It is all done quietly, but with such marvelous effectiveness that some day when the divorce figures are analyzed it will amaze the American people to discover how infinitesimal a part the Jew has contributed to the American divorce problem.—Ladies' Home Journal.

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