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ORIDAWARD **NEW SETTLERS**

Peninsula State Makes Rapid rogress in its Development

ME OF BIG PROSPECT

rtunities Regarded as Remarkable Climate is Famous-Tide of Imnigration Turns to the Southeast

s its agricultural resources have dormant because of lack of serious t along systematic lines. Until in the last few years agricultural lopment in Florida was merely intal—the push and energy that built he west were lacking. A few men rescribilities in the cheap neglected possibilities in the cheap, neglected s, but many years had to elapse bethe settlers who were pushing west willing to look toward the South. More people are pouring into Florida y than at any previous time in its tate-ment was based on actual facts. "Our main needs are food, clothing, and shelter. Florida produces an abundance of cattle, sheep, hogs, and poultry, while her waters teem with fish, oysters, clams, turtles, and other sea food. The forests abound in wild game, such as qualitative years in the cheap, neglected when was based on actual facts. campaign to turn settlers toward squirrels, rabbits, etc., and Florida is the winter home of the duck. So much for the meat bill. seeker movement was toward the g about the change in the popular butter, and cheese in plenty. Nearly ute toward the south. Publicity and advertising done by railroads edget the movement started. Then a sort of educational campaign,

ts in the north saw the opportunity abundance. hungry; in fact, they were so eager | house. et a plot of Florida soil that they nt 'unsight and unseen.

f you were to try to sell these peono one could get the land away there, and close to the surface, too. them. When they had paid for it, 'The fact is that Florida is a gr low the greater majority of such hasers are not farmers, it is fair to me, and they do not know that there that is good. There is land in ida that is not good for farming of kind, just as is the case in any other e, and there are some who have tht places of this sort.

es to either refund the money paid Miami Herald. all kinds of land, and know what simultaneously. is' suited for. But even though ified with this knowledge, if I were ing passed across it several times. endly word of advice.

First, do not get the idea that sucd, but the thousands of inexperienced were received by Mrs. J. West Roose-ple who have cast their future lot in rida will need to have this truth rida will need to have this truth son in receiving, Mrs. Thompson bed land with little capital, find out by reful investigation just how much have been delightfully entertained aboard the houseboat, on the hurricane deck, during which time refreshments were served. All through the hour, the Royal Palm orchestra, stationed in the

a howling success the first year or two unless you are experienced.

"Lastly, make up your mind exactly what kind of farming you will go in for, and what fruit or crops you want to grow, because Florida is a big state and the climate, shipping seasons and products vary between the extremes from Pensacola to Key West. After you have made up your mind on these points try to get the best land and the best location suitable for your line.

"If one has sufficient means there are improved farms and groves for sale in Florida as well as elsewhere, and the man who does not care to go through the pioneer stage can always find a place ready for immediate occupancy.

"But I would like to add that if peo-ple do exercise good judgment there are splendid opportunities in Florida, for the state has remarkable resources. In far as the interests of settlers are proof of the varied nature and the abundrned, Florida is one of the newest ance of these resources, a man once although historically it is the made the assertion to me that if you Like several other southern could build a high wall around Florida

who has taken an active part in game, such as quail, turkey, deer, snipe,

"Florida grows all of the cereals exand northwest, then the south had ning. During the last two or three there has been a tremendous ingreat variety of fruits, including those se in the movement to all the gulf which can be produced only in the es, especially toward the southeast. Various causes have contributed to and tobacco are there, as well as milk,

"A man can be well clothed, from many newspapers and periodicals head to foot and every article would be ted articles describing the charm of try life and whetted the appetite of le to such an extent that they were proper mood to buy land.

lead to foot and every active would be made from the products of Florida. Cotton, both the upland and the sea island, wool, leather, material for buttons and a number of fibrous plants and proper mood to buy land.

Another thing that helped to bring the change was that quantities of facture of cloth among the products of priced lands could be bought in large our state. Material for the manufacts. Land companies and real estate ture of glass and paper are found in

started an advertising campaign "The third and last necessity is shel-ter. Florida has several kinds of buildnization work. The advertising in- ing stone, as well as concrete, brick, rated by these people seemed to and wood. Her forests abound with the public in exactly the right both hard and soft woods, in fact for the prospective settlers were everything that is used in building a

"What about nails? Why, bless your heart, didn't you know that we have iron in Florida? Well, we have, and so horse, a cow or even a watch, they much of it that cannon were manufactd want to examine it first, for fear ured here during one of the early wars. e might be something wrong with This is not generally known. because But with land—well, you see, that there are no rolling mills nor iron found-ned to be different. They figured ries in operation, but the material is

"The fact is that Florida is a great received the deed and attended to big rich state, with her 1,200 miles of taxes, no one could steal their land. sea coast, but her bigness does not be-(continued on page 3)

me, and they do not know that there uch poor land in Florida along with BRILLIANT RECEPTION **COLONEL THOMPSON**

Quite the most brilliant function in Because of this tendency, land com-les have a clause in their contracts Club. at the Miami clubhouse, was the wing the purchaser from thirty days reception of the members Monday after-our months time in which to exam-noon to Commodore Robert M. Thomp-not only the work assigned, but to be the purchase. If during that time son, who arrived in Miami Sunday, to ready, if any teacher is absent, to take purchaser examines the land and spend several weeks aboard his palatial his or her place. it is not satisfactory, the seller houseboat, The Everglades, -says the

that in case a buyer does not inspect the club, congregated in front of the pervisors of the various schools will be purchase and later finds his land de-ive he is as much to blame as any-Commodore fired a salute, followed by because he has neglected one of one gun from the clubhouse, which was first principles of any transaction. the signal to dip ensigns and immediately after, dress ship. This part of teen years, have been over almost the program was especially beautiful, parts of the peninsula, have exam- and all yachts seemed to dress ship

A very pretty feature during the firing of salutes was the bombs thrown tart out to buy a site for my home, from the gun aboard The Everglades.

ing indisposed. ch money will be required to provide me and to leave something saved emergencies, because the chances about even that you may not make the season closed.

Were served. All through the hour, the Royal Palm orchestra, stationed in the clubhouse, played appropriate music, and at five o'clock, the festive scene of the season closed.

PROGRAM FOR THE INSTITUTE

Teachers of St. Lucie County Will Assemble Here Next Friday

DEMONSTRATION WORK

Supervisors, Trustees and Patrons Invited to Attend the Sessions-Will Result in Much Improvement in Efficiency.

The following program has been pre-pared for the St. Lucie County Teach-ers' Institute, which convenes in Fort Pierce, Friday and Saturday, March 3-4: FRIDAY SESSION.

8:30-Opening Exercises, Supt. Hodge 8:40-Why We Meet; Supt. Hodge. 8:45-Enrollment of Teachers; Organi-

zation, election of chairman and secretary; appointment of committees on entertainment, resolution and program for country schools.

9:10—Class Exercise in Fourth Grade Spelling—Mary Fair.

9:30—Class Exercise in Fourth Grade Phonics—Lawton Geiger. 9:50—Discussion of foregoing work by

the institute. 10:20--Recess. 10:40-How to Secure Better Results in our Language teaching?—Mrs. Fair

and Mrs. Schofield.

11:10-Discussion by Institute. 11:45-Noon recess. 1:00 - What Constitutes Good Order in the School? How to Secure It? Why Necessary and for What Purpose?

--Prof. Okerlund, Misses Inga Helseth and Ida Vause. 1:30—Discussion by Institute.
2:00—Class Exercise in Sixth Grade
Reading—Miss Pauline Smith.
2:20—Discussion by Misses Emma O.
Helseth, Penelope Geiger, May Pennington, Nellie Schofield and Emma

2:50 -Recess. 3:00-Class Exercise in Seventh Grade Arithmetic-Miss Edna Johns. 3:30-Discussion by Misses Josephine Stinson, Emma Bell, Annie Brown.

4:00- Adjourn until Saturday morning. SATURDAY SESSION.

8:30-Opening Exercises, Roll Call-Prof. Okerlund. 8:40-Class Exercise in Division of

Fractions-Miss Eva Daniels. 9:05—Discussion by Institute. 9:30—Relation of Exercise and Ventilation of the School Room to Health of the Pupils - Misses Pauline Smith and Ida Vause and Mrs. Schofield.

10:00—Discussion by Institute. 10:25 -- Recess. 10:40-How I Teach First Grade Numbers and Reading-Class Exercise-

Miss Flma Geiger. 11:10-Discussion by Institute. 11:45-Noon Recess.

1:00-How to Assign Lessons-Misses Ula Geiger, Frankie Pearce, Emma Havird and Alice Vause.

1:30—Discussion by Institute. 2:00—Instruction to Young Teachers— J. W. Hodge. Questions and answers by teachers and trustees. 2:30—Recess.

2:45 - Report of Program Committee. 3:00 - Report of Resolution Committee. 3:10-Five Minute talks by anyone interested in our schools.

4:00 - Dismission. Every teacher is required to be prompt

These meetings will be held in the Fort Pierce High School building and grant an exchange for other land. Before three-thirty o'clock more than anyone is at liberty and welcome to twenty yachts owned by members of come. It is hoped the trustees and su-

s. Respectfully, J. W. Hodge, Superintendent

THE BAND BENEEITS RAISES A NEAT SUM

The oyster supper and dance given by the management of the Improvement ould not close a deal for land in my county until I had examined it care- and a silk American flag unfolding, and the benefit of the Fort Pierce band, was y, even though I already had some drifted away out of sight. This was most liberally patronized by the citizens of the ground as a result of followed by another bomb, throwing a of the town. Mrs. McCarty, with the Chinese, English and American flag, assistance of a dozen ladies, served a To those who may be thinking of go- and the third was a Chinese fish. The splendid supper. consisting of oysters, to Florida I would like to give a fourth was very beautiful, being a fried or stewed, salads, pickles, coffee, andly word of advice. fourth was very beautiful, described ice cream and cake. In the reception series of pennants, signal codes, etc. ice cream and cake. In the reception series of pennants, signal codes, etc. ice cream and cake. In the reception series of pennants, signal codes, etc. ice cream and cake. In the reception series of pennants, signal codes, etc. ice cream and cake. In the reception series of pennants, signal codes, etc. ice cream and cake. In the reception series of pennants, signal codes, etc. ice cream and cake. In the reception series of pennants, signal codes, etc. ice cream and cake. In the reception series of pennants, signal codes, etc. ice cream and cake. In the reception series of pennants, signal codes, etc. ice cream and cake. In the reception series of pennants, signal codes, etc. ice cream and cake. In the reception series of pennants, signal codes, etc. ice cream and cake. In the reception series of pennants, signal codes, etc. ice cream and cake. In the reception series of pennants is series of pennants and cake it is series of pennants others were slik hags of various nations. Following this display, the members application and hard work. We a combination of climate and soil of the club and their families boarded the beat, but without pert is hard to beat. but without perent, careful work and attention on
part of the farmer they would be
less. Any experienced farmer or
its and an analysis of the Everglades, anchored at the end of the clubhouse pier. They were received to the sum of \$15. The band furnished music throughout the supper, as well as for the dare, which was well attended. The total receipt of the evenson, and as they passed on up to the it grower knows this without being hurricane deck of the Everglades, they ing amounted to \$36.5), to which was but the thousands of inexperienced were received by Mrs. J. West Roose- added \$13.50 by Mrs. McCarty to make

STUART, MARCH 5-15

A special feature of the Bible Confer-ence to be held at Stuart, March 5th to 15th, will be the presence of Dr. J. M. Hall property.

Miami's Board of Trade is consider-ing the purchase of the famous Halcyon now has on the ground in the neighbor-(continued on page 3)

Gray, dean of the Moody Institute, Chicago.

The Rev. James M. Gray, D. D. is a noted speaker and bible teacher. At an early period in his ministry he became especially interested in the study of the Bible, in the exposition of which along popular and deeply spiritual lines he is recognized throughout our country and Canada and across the sea, as one peculiarly gifted of God. For years his services have been in such demand at our largest Bible conferences and conventions, that engagements are made with him twelve months in ad-

But perhaps the greatest work he has been used of God to accomplish is the inauguration and maintenance of inter-denominational Bible classes in different parts of the country, phenomenal in size and in the interest and enthusiasm of their membership. It has more, men and women meeting together in these classes from week to week, studying the Bible under what has become known as Dr. Gray's synthetic

One secret of Dr. Gray's influence is the smoothness which he has been able to work with all the different denominations, not arousing antagonism but healing differences and attracting peonet overrun with prospectors, and they are not only prospecting, but are buying up

ple on the same general platform.

Rev. A. H. Plumb, D. D., president of the Congregational Club, of Boston,

Our lands and making homes for them selves and children for years to come.

"The wonderful resources of Florida says: "In my ministry of over thirtyfive years, I have known very few men whom I have regarded with more esteem for clear biblical and theological knowledge and true evangelical spirit than Rev. James M. Gray, D. D. I have never heard from him in any circumstance, or on any occasion, one word which I could wish were different. He which is ready for shipment.

"Ever since I have been in the State, "Ever since I have been in the State, in public utterance, his words being well considered, fine, "forcible." and

most convincing.

Dr. Gray is the author of several books on Biblical themes which are being used among Christians of all denominations. One thousand copies of a work of his on "Biblical Introduction and Christian Evidences" were recently purchased by a committee of a certain denomination and distributed gratuitation was so much written about in the tously to every active minister on their Miami Metropolis which I sent you—

thousands of other ians of all denominations, attended the these twenty acres. If it grows down Union Bible Conference this past sea- in Dade as it did in my yard, the twenty son. During the eleven days of its acres ought to plant not less than two session, Dr. Gray was heard on an hundred acres next year, and perhaps average of once a day or twice as often largely in excess of that. as any other speaker on the program.

Dr. Gray's Bible expositions are deep without being obscure; scholarly, but not pedantic; thorough, but suggestive rather than exhaustive, eminently practical, and also deeply spiritual. They entertain and interest, but edify still more. He repeats bravely the re-bukes of Scripture against any form of spite and with pity more than with court-the Word of God.

THE RONEY BOYS 3RD LYCEUM ATTRACTION

The Roney Boys, the third Lyceum attraction at the Improvement Club hall, is billed to appear the evening of Wednesday, March 8th.

This company is one of the best touring the country this season, and will be a treat to music lovers. The following historical sketch of the company will be of interest:

"Henry B. Roney, originator, trainer and manager of "Roney's Boys," needs no introduction. As vice-president for Illinois of the Music Teachers' National choirs and twelve hundred vested choristers), and as trainer of a large which I have been engaged for several number of the most noted boy solo singers of the period, he has established a standard of merit which has become so proverbial as to inspire public con-Upon his work as musical director of the National Peace Jubilee, Chicago, in October, 1898, which enlisted the services of sixty-three Chicago church choirs and an "artists' chorus." composed of twenty professional male and female quartets, he was personally warmly congratulated by President The fame of the "Roney McKinley. The fame of the "Roney Concerts" now covers the entire United States. The same unyielding high scientious attention to details which Church, Chicago a national reputation during the ten years—1887 to 1897 - it "The Fellsmere Farms Company lands was under Mr. Roney's direction as or- are principally located in this, St. Lucie, Gunsaulus'), have stamped their impress upon all of the "Roney Concerts" and territory and the Canadian prov-

Tickets will be on sale at the St. Lucie Drug Store early next week.

OPPORTUNITY ASSUGARBELT

Climate and Soil Make Staple a Money Crop for this County

IS NOT AN EXPERIMENT

Letter Written to Louisiana Relatives Proclaims Advantages of St. Lucie County as a Great Future Sugar Producer

The following letter, written by B. not been uncommon to see from one thousand to two thousand, and, even more, men and women meeting together

F. Hardesty, of Sebastian, to his neice and nephew in Louisiana, will be of general interest to our readers and the prospectors in this section:

'Since I received your last letter, I have sent you several newspapers from come known as Dr. Gray's synthetic method. If there were twice as many days in the week, Dr. Gray could have a large and enthusiastic class every day of the week.

One secret of Dr. Gray's influence is not only prospecting, but are buying up our lands and making homes for them-

"The wonderful resources of Florida are only just now beginning to be com-prehended; and commencing to be taken advantage of. Land developing companies are in operation all over Florida. I have been working for one of these companies since last August, until last Friday, when I had to stop to look out for the disposing of my crop of fruit,

I have been looking for the time when some person or persons of large means would recognize the truth of what a government surveyor said nearly twenty years ago: 'That South Florida ought to and could produce the sugar for the whole United States. At last, I am about to see it done. A company of large capital has bought 10,000 acres of and they have sent to Cuba for seed Not less than 2,000 ministers to say cane to plant twenty acres, and next

"In 1907, on the 4th day of June, I

took a stock of ribbon cane to the of-fice of THE ST. LUCIE COUNTY TRIBUNE, published in Fort Pierce. This stock was from a bunch of cane that I had planted three years before, and it had never had any fertilizer or cultivation and had to fight for its life with surrounding guava trees and a bunch of sin; but does so from duty rather than hickory that came up by it. The stock came up the first week in January, and pleasure. He respects others' opinions notwithstanding the unfavorable surbut subjects them all to the criterion roundings, on the 4th day of June when and makes them all bow to the best cut, it measured over five feet for the mill! Had I fertilized and cultivated it as we do in Louisiana, in those five months it would doubtless have cut fifteen feet for the mill. Last year I cut a stock of cane from the same bunch and grown under the same conditions, that in less than a years growth measured about eleven feet. The two crops of sugar that I boiled for the Ferris Company, at Barbreck Mills in 1892-3. would not have averaged more than five or six feet for the mill, and those were favorable years for cane in Louisiana. "I have no doubt that the Huyler-

Comfort Company in Dade county would be glad to get people from Louisiana, who understand cane culture and the manufacture of sugar; and make good terms with them to come and engage in the business under arrangement with them. Of course, I cannot say that Association, choir master of the Chicago such will be the case, but it is only Diocesan Choir Association (thirty-two reasonable to suppose that it would be. "The Fellsmere Farms Company, with

months, I have no doubt will follow suit with the Huyler-Comfort Company, of Dade. I do not see how they can resist it. Sugar is destined to be the staple fidence in whatever talent he introduces crop of South Florida. Oranges, pineapples, grapefruit and winter crops of vegetables will continue to be raised here on a large scale, but the day of sugar is at hand. Why, just think of it, cane does not have to be planted oftener than once in five to seven years! That alone is profit for the cultivator, that ought to satisfy the most exacting. When the sure returns from sugar culture here is once realized, the stampede for it will equal the days of "49" in the rush to the gold fields of California. I long to, and firmly believe that in spite gave to the choir of Grace Episcopal of my advancing years, I will live to see the day when this dream is realized.

ganist and choirmaster, and later, in county, and embraces almost every va-Plymouth Congregational Church (Dr. riety of soil known to Florida. Their lands begin about three miles from Sebastian. I understand that their tract during and since that time. His field contains about 175,000 acres. People of operation now covers every state are already coming in numbers to inspect the lands, and some purchases are being made, though the company is not yet ready to market the land. Like the everglade land, a large quantity of it has to be drained; and to show their Miami's Board of Trade is consider- faith in their investment, the company