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Base ball is holding its own as the
 popular national game. More than 30,
 000 tickets were sold a few days since
 to a game in Pittsburg, Pa.

The average "People's" man in poli-
 tics is a "People's" man only during
 the campaign. After that he immedi-
 ately becomes a "Pee-Pull's" man.
 —Pensacola News.

The Democrat did not support Albert
 W. Gilchrist for Governor, but not-
 withstanding that fact he is making the
 best Governor the State has had for
 "to these many years," and we are
 mighty glad of it.

Last year Orlando, one of the most
 progressive cities in Florida, spent \$4,
 200 in advertising. They were so well
 pleased with the results that this year
 they will increase the advertising fund
 to \$5,000. That's the way to build a
 city.

The Palatka News is out in a pretty
 new dress and looks as handsome as
 you please. It is one of the brightest and
 best weekly newspapers in the State,
 and is doing valuable work for Palatka,
 one of Florida's growing and prosperous
 cities.

The price is advancing on naval
 stores, lumber, crossties, cotton, hogs,
 cattle and all products of the farms and
 gardens of Florida, and if all signs don't
 fail, within a very few months times
 will be as good or better here than they
 were before the 1907 panic.

The Jacksonville Times-Union wants
 to have an operation performed on
 Jacksonville and her appendix (ville)
 cut off. It is believed that she will
 grow faster and look better as just
 plain Jackson. There are no objection
 from this part of the State.

A Florida man reports that he has a
 mule 25 years old which he has worked
 regularly, and declares that it has never
 manifested the slightest misbehavior
 in its hind-legs. Some of these days,
 this faithful mule will celebrate a birth-
 day by kicking the farm to pieces.
 When he does turn loose, all at once,
 the reverse and accumulated kickability
 of 25 years, we would hate to be in the
 immediate vicinity. —Tampa Tribune.

Water in the Everglades is reported
 higher than it has been for years, and
 in some places in the drainage districts
 where the "drudges" have been at
 work for years, water is said to be
 from 6 to 10 feet deep and still rising.
 After a long continued drought, the
 drainage scheme looked alright, but one
 good old-fashioned rainy season makes
 the whole scheme look impracticable.

State Superintendent Holloway has
 put the superintendents and school
 boards of the various counties of the
 State on notice that in future practi-
 cally all school reports, blanks, certi-
 ficates, and other printing must be fur-
 nished by the boards at their own ex-
 pense. This action on the part of Mr.
 Holloway is made necessary on account
 of the failure of the Legislature to
 make sufficient appropriation for the
 expenses of his department. —Palatka
 Times-Herald.

The Democrat is pleased to note that
 Royal C. Dunn, member of the Florida
 Railroad Commission, is making a
 splendid record as an official. He has
 a head of his own and performs his
 duty without fear or favor, and is true
 to the people of this state in the faith-
 ful performance of his official duties.
 Mr. Dunn for a long time resided in
 our sister city, Madison, where for
 years he was editor and proprietor of
 the Madison Recorder, and during his
 residence at Madison he made many
 friends throughout this section of Flor-
 ida—friends of long years standing—
 who know him to be a true, honorable
 and able gentleman at all times and
 under all circumstances.

The Jasper News declares that print-
 er's ink is a sure cure for ground-itch.
 It is also a cure for business depression,
 commercial "blues," ignorance, preju-
 dice, graft, trickery, deceit and a num-
 ber of other diseases which frequently
 break out in modern communities. —
 Tampa Tribune.

Mr. C. W. Morse, who lost his for-
 tune in the beginning of the 1907 panic,
 has gone to work to rebuild his fortune.
 He was convicted, sent to prison, but
 through the efforts of his wife was re-
 leased from custody on a \$125,000 bond.
 What is better than a good woman,
 who shows her loyalty and love for her
 husband in time of disaster? Mrs.
 Morse sacrificed her jewels and home
 to pay her husband's debts. —Ocala Ban-
 ner.

The price of cotton advanced when
 the government report was made pub-
 lic a few days ago, and since that time
 the weather conditions have been very
 unfavorable and the indications are
 that the crop will be short in many sec-
 tions of the cotton belt. The crop in
 this county has been damaged to some
 extent by the recent heavy rains, but
 notwithstanding that fact, Suwannee
 county will this year produce the largest
 Sea Island cotton crop in the history of
 the county and prices will be good, too.

All the lewd women who have been
 quartered at Gainesville have been
 made to "skip out" from there. Law-
 lessness, rowdiness and frequent firing
 of guns and pistols, and numerous
 scrapes that were never reported to
 police are given as some of the reasons
 for making them leave. We have some
 resorts near this city that must be
 made to "close up shop" or some day
 Live Oak and Suwannee county will
 suffer for allowing bawdy houses to rup
 here in defiance of the laws of God and
 man.

The recent rains have filled the lakes
 and ponds in and about this city, and
 if something is not done soon, mos-
 quitoes will be very plentiful. It has
 been suggested, and the suggestion is
 a good and timely one, that the city
 buy several barrels of kerosene and
 have a few gallons used on "Lake
 Ridley" and on all the standing water
 in and about the city. Now is the time
 to fight the mosquito, and the health
 officer or whoever is in authority,
 should have this done at once. The
 cost would be trifling.

Suwannee county possesses that
 which is necessary to make it the most
 prosperous section of this grand state.
 All that is needed is for the thousands
 of acres of wild lands to be converted
 into fields of corn, cotton, vegetables,
 etc. There is no better horticultural,
 agricultural or live stock section in the
 whole south, and the climatic condi-
 tions, scenic attractions, mineral springs
 and resorts, hunting and fishing are un-
 surpassed. Improved farms can be
 bought here now at a very reasonable
 price, and good productive wild lands
 can be had from \$2 to \$10 per acre.
 In a very few years this whole county
 will be settled up—nearly every acre
 of land in the county can be cultivat-
 ed—and there will never be another
 opportunity to buy lands for so little
 money. If you ever expect or intend
 to buy land in Suwannee county, now
 is the time.

FARMERS UNION CONVENTION.

The Democrat, on behalf of the citi-
 zens of Live Oak and Suwannee county,
 extend to the members of the Farmers
 Union State Convention, now in session
 in this city, a hearty welcome. We
 are glad to have them with us and
 hope they will enjoy their stay, and
 that the deliberations of this conven-
 tion may prove of benefit to the mem-
 bers of the Union and to all the tillers
 of the soil.

The Farmers' Union is in fact and in
 truth a farmers organization, and the
 delegates and representatives here to-
 day are numbered among the best and
 most prosperous farmers of this State,
 men who are working to bring about
 a better condition of those who till the
 soil and produce the wealth of the
 country. We welcome them here be-
 cause they are representatives of that
 large body of men who are working
 with enthusiasm and zeal on a great
 business problem, and they have among
 them in numbers men of business
 sagacity and ability who will accom-
 plish something; men who are leaders
 in thought along the line of organiza-
 tion and union.

The Farmers' Union is a great,
 growing organization, and Live Oak
 feels honored for having been selected
 as the place for this convention, and
 again, gentlemen, we bid you welcome.

LOOK BEFORE LEAPING.

Various sections of Florida are mak-
 ing efforts to secure settlers and are
 meeting with success. This state is
 now gaining more rapidly than ever be-
 fore from immigration; but the present
 gain will seem insignificant in compari-
 son with the growth of the near future
 if the immigrants who are coming now
 meet with the success they hope for.
 No advertisement of Florida is as effica-
 cious as a letter from a delighted set-
 tler to his old home. Nothing can in-
 jure the state as much as the letter of
 a settler who has been disappointed.

Hon. Frank Clark has sent the Times-
 Union a letter from a citizen of Okla-
 homa who writes that there are a num-
 ber of families in his locality who are
 thinking of settling on some of the
 drained lands of the Everglades. The
 letter is written to Mr. Clark with a
 request for a statement of the real con-
 ditions that prevail there. In reply to
 the letter Mr. Clark writes, in part, as
 follows:

I know very little, of my own per-
 sonal knowledge, with reference to the
 Everglades. I expect to go through a
 portion of the Everglades next Novem-
 ber and then will, of course, be in a
 better position to speak intelligently
 than I am now. I will say this to you,
 however, if you are contemplating buy-
 ing lands in the Everglades with the
 intention of building a home there, I
 would advise you to make a thorough
 personal investigation before doing so.
 If you have quite a number of families
 who contemplates taking this step, it
 occurs to me it would be the part of
 wisdom to send one of your number to
 the Everglades so that he might make
 thorough investigation. I want to say
 to you in this connection, as a citizen
 of Florida, for the twenty-six years, that
 I am thoroughly convinced that a poor
 man can do better here farming than
 he can in any other state in the Union.
 He can make a living in this state and
 acquire a competency with less effort
 and in less time than he can anywhere
 else. While this is true, and while our
 lands are extremely productive, yet we
 have thousands of acres that are not fit
 for cultivation. The state has been
 very much injured by certain unscrupu-
 lous dealers in land misrepresenting
 conditions and locating settlers at un-
 suitable places.

In concluding his letter Mr. Clark ex-
 presses the hope that the party will
 make such an investigation as will in-
 duce them to make their homes in this
 state.

Mr. Clark shows an intelligent regard
 for the interests of the state when he
 advises prospective settlers to look be-
 fore buying. They could safely come
 to Florida with the certainty of finding
 abundance of land offering ideal condi-
 tions for settlement. No man, how-
 ever, should pay out his money and get
 his deeds without seeing what he is
 paying for or getting information about
 it from some one with whom he is per-
 sonally acquainted.

A settler who comes after taking
 these precautions is sure to be pleased
 if he is at all reasonable. He becomes
 an immigration agent for Florida, for
 his satisfaction draws many of his
 friends and acquaintances to the state,
 but the man who buys a "gold brick"
 acts as a lighthouse to warn people to
 keep away. We believe there is no
 state in the Union where there are as
 many good bargains as can be found in
 Florida, but there are "gold bricks"
 here, and those who have them wish to
 sell them. It is good business as well
 as good conscience not to overpaint our
 advantages, and to warn prospective
 settlers that while the best can be
 found in Florida, good business sense
 is needed here as elsewhere in making
 selections. —Times-Union.

DIXIE.

Several days ago the editor of The
 Cincinnati Times-Star received from a
 reader the following significant request:
 "Will you please state why 'Dixie,'
 when played by a band, always gets
 more applause than anything else?" —
 Covington.

The answer which the editor returned
 to this question is so significant of the
 change of sentiment which is taking
 place in the popular mind at the North
 toward the famous air and so full of
 courteous compliment to the South that
 we can do less than publish in full the
 reply of this broad-minded Northern
 newspaper;

The remarkable enthusiasm which
 Dixie nearly always arouses in a crowd
 of twentieth-century Americans, north
 as well as south of Mason and Dixon's
 line, has been noticed by the average
 American. In most cases, perhaps, he
 does not take the trouble to figure out
 the reason for this popularity, but he
 is fully aware that it exists.

"Why is it that 'Dixie,' when played
 by a band, always gets more applause

than anything else?" Probably there
 are several reasons. Certainly the snap
 and "catchiness" of the tune does not
 altogether explain "Dixie's" popu-
 larity, altho doubtless it has much to do
 with it.

The enthusiasm for "Dixie" proba-
 bly has in it something of a tribute,
 half unconscious, but still a tribute, to
 the gallant losing fight of the South
 during the Civil war. Fact or fiction,
 moreover, has given the South an air
 of romance that appeals to the man in
 the street. One of our friends was
 mean enough, when the popularity of
 "Dixie" was under discussion a few
 days ago, to suggest that a Northern
 belief in the "aristocracy" of the South
 has something to do with the popularity
 of "Dixie." When the tune is played,
 according to the pessimist, some people
 in the average Northern audience al-
 ways applaud in the hope that the
 idea that in their veins run the best
 blood of Virginia or the Carolinas.

Perhaps again the popularity of
 "Dixie" in the North is in part a trib-
 ute from the vanishing Anglo-Saxon of
 the Northern states to the still domi-
 nant Anglo-Saxon of the South. There
 is no purer Anglo-Saxon people in the
 world today than the whites in the
 Southern states of the Union. Lee's
 army of Northern, Virginia was more
 purely Anglo-Saxon than the army
 which Marlboro commanded at Blen-
 heim; than Wellington's "thin red
 line" at Waterloo, or than the troops
 which followed Roberts and Kitchener
 in South Africa. In the North and
 East the Anglo-Saxon is being swal-
 lowed up in the rush of newcomers
 from the Old World. He has objected
 mildly, if at all, to the process—but

that at heart he does not like it, prob-
 ably shown, vaguely, indirectly but
 clearly, in the applause for "Dixie."
 No American of the North objects to
 the popularity of "Dixie." The "blue
 shirt" long since lost its popularity
 north of the Ohio. In fact, the South-
 erner enjoys a prestige of his own in
 the North. "Dixie" itself is an im-
 pressive, but more American than
 the music of "The Star-Spangled Ban-
 ner" or "America." It has earned
 part of its popularity, and the rest
 comes from causes to which no believe
 in the Union can make rational objec-
 tion. —Atlanta Georgian.

The report that glanders has been
 raging among horses in certain parts
 of Marion county is no doubt true, there-
 fore it would be well for the farmer,
 horse dealers and livery stable men to
 take all possible precaution to prevent
 the spread of the disease from that
 section of the State. Horses from that
 part of the State should not be placed
 in barns or stalls or allowed to be fed
 upon your premises. The disease can
 be prevented from spreading to this
 county if a little good judgment will be
 used. A few days ago a number of
 valuable horses were killed in Ocala by
 order of State board of health, and
 only a few months ago a large number
 had to be killed in Jacksonville that
 were afflicted with glanders. It is not
 safe to buy or trade for horses from
 sections of the State where this dis-
 ease is known to exist. "An ounce of
 prevention is worth a pound of cure."

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