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Here is a matter for a business man to consider.

Does he want to increase his trade and at the same time help to prove that he is located in a live and growing town?

An advertisement in The News will do both.

A good paper of general circulation, filled with advertisements of local business houses is the best indication of a town's commercial importance.

Will those whose interests are here render the co-operation asked, and prove to the public the spirit of progressiveness which is not only claimed, but really exists in Arcadia?

ADVERTISING THEIR TOWNS.

Lakeland News: There are two towns in the State of Florida whose claims to prosperity made by their home papers we are inclined to believe, while skeptical in regard to many others. These two towns, or rather cities, are Miami and Live Oak. We believe their papers when they claim that their towns are prosperous and the people are progressive, simply because the newspapers themselves bear on their faces the imprint of the progressive spirit of the business men of these communities. The papers teem with advertisements of local merchants, and a glance at these advertisements show that they are carried by enterprising business men who have up-to-date stocks and have modern ideas as to the way to conduct business. The Miami Metropolis and the Live Oak Democrat are the best advertisements these two cities could have. When a man wants to mine a certain metal he goes to some locality where that metal is known to exist; likewise, when he wants to do business, he is apt to go where there is business. A newspaper man boost and blow and lie about his town, but it will be a difficult matter, nevertheless, to convince a discriminating reader that it is published in a live town if it contains a meager quantity of advertising. The local paper reflects the character of the business men of a town as in a looking glass.

THE UTOPIAN DREAM.

In discussing the views of Richard Olney on Mr. Bryan's scheme of railroad rate making, the Times Union says: "The chief objection to the proposed legislation is to be found in another direction. This movement, as a matter of fact, is simply the first step toward the iridescent dream of our super-heated Utopians—the government ownership of all railroads."

How true, and other public utilities well. Yet those who imagine a cure for evils affecting the public body today is to be found in the alleged panacea of government ownership.

which the government exercises a monopoly, and a more grossly mismanaged and tyrannically conducted bureau would be hard to find—the postal service. Ostensibly the people are the masters, but really they are the slaves of the officials appointed to work for the public. If any publisher doubt this assertion, let him become acquainted with the vexations and robbery practised upon him by the postal authorities when he attempts to secure second-rate mail privileges—guaranteed to him by law, but a right abridged and restricted for years by that creature of bureaucracy, whose acts would shame a monarchial government—Edwin C. Madden, third assistant postmaster general.

There is government ownership, and a record of its work is, or should be, plain to every publisher in the land.

Is it then consistent to believe that any other department would be conducted with regard to public right?

"OPEN" COMPETITION.

True Democrat: On August first when a "certified check" was required, Supreme Court report printing was awarded to the Capital Publishing Company at \$1.50 per page. On August second, when no "certified check" was required, the same kind of printing was awarded the St. Augustine Record Company at 72 cents per page. The first arrangement kept out competition and placed the work in chosen hands, while the latter, allowing real competitive bidding, saves to the taxpayers of Florida 78 cents on each page. Besides, all printing that comes from the St. Augustine house is neat and clean and will compare favorably with the best law work done anywhere. Again, the same kind of work, reprinting several volumes of Supreme Court reports, was awarded to the Painter Company, of DeLand, last week at 70 cents a page—a saving of 70 cents a page—under the system of honest, unrestricted competition. They also have a reputation of doing good work. That neither of the lower bidders will net rich at such prices is a fact, but the price to be paid under the "certified check" plan is exorbitant. These comparisons serve to illustrate the quality of friendship for the people possessed by their servant who conceived this certified check plan of competition as applied to State printing contracts.

EXCULPATING EVIDENCE.

During the week the Standard Oil Company again advanced the price of refined oil. Something of the sort might have been expected when it was announced that Mr. John D. Rockefeller had bought a wig.—Savannah News.

We were glad to see the foregoing. Sometime ago, while the Banner was strenuously defending Mr. Rockefeller, the Ocala editor announced that the Standard Company would shortly reduce the price of coal oil two cents a gallon. This and other utterances on the same line caused certain of our esteemed contemporaries to insinuate that Editor Harris was a paid advocate of the great kerosene monopoly. The Star never believe this of Mr. Harris. It simply thought he didn't know what he was talking about, and the foregoing paragraph shows the correctness of the think.—Ocala Star.

The preliminaries to the gubernatorial campaign in Georgia are so warm that it is doubtful if the

candidates will have any character left by the date of the primary.

Dowie's claim of possessing divine healing power was inactive when he was stricken with paralysis.

Raise guinea chickens, declares the New York Packer, which says there is great demand for these fowls, which are sold under the guise of prairie chickens. Worth investigation by Floridians, as they can be easily reared in this State.

"Brethren of the press, if you have not received a copy of Governor Broward's message, bound in boards, write to him for one. He has them for distribution, and every newspaper man and printer in Florida should get and keep a copy of it," is the admonition of the True Democrat. Edition de luxe, no doubt.

It is easy to find an excuse for running for office. A man named Shanibarger announces himself as a candidate for the Legislature from Orange county on the platform of "government ownership of public franchises" because he read in the New York Packer that the railroads discriminated against the Florida grower of pineapples in favor of the Cuban. As a matter of fact the alleged discrimination does not exist, because after a long fight by the East Coast Railway, connecting lines have been forced to place the Florida grower on equal footing with the Cuban except at Eastern points where steamer competition prevents.

Horrors, the New York Packer is out of range when it says: "One feature of the Tampa, Florida, fair will be the Trail. It will equal the Pike in length and the Midway in breadth."

Editor Walpole, of the Manatee Record, expresses the following idea of the executive office: "Funny, isn't it, that there has been so much talk about the next governor, and not one word yet said about the private secretary. Certainly the boys don't mean to overlook this important position."

Here is a practical suggestion from the Apalachicola Times: "The Times fails to see by what reasoning Florida's legislators persists in giving to the State department the bulk of all monies collected for occupational taxes. The cities and towns should have every cent of this money to help pay the expenses of city government. They are entitled to it by reason of right and justice."

"Dr. Porter complains that parties in Pensacola give the health authorities trouble by refusing to comply with orders issued by the aforesaid health authorities. Such things are regrettable but Dr. Porter is not the first public official to meet with opposition in matters looking only to the public good, and he will not be the last."—says the Apalachicola Times. No, he will not be the last, unfortunately, because it is doubtful if harmful stupidity can ever be eradicated.

New Furniture Catalogue.

Angle and Wilson, the large furniture dealers of Bartow, will have ready for delivery October 1st, their mammoth catalogue, descriptive of the goods they handle. You can get one by addressing them a postal card. They handle all kinds of furniture, matting, window shades, etc., and have decided to knock the bottom out of prices. They also take care of matters pertaining to undertaking in all parts of South Florida. We take pleasure in recommending them to our readers. Angle & Wilson pay the freight on all goods bought of them. 9-22-4wk

A Daredevil Ride.

Often ends in a sad accident. To heal accidental injuries, use Bucklen's Arnica Salve. "A deep wound in my foot, from an accident," writes Theodore Schuele, of Columbus, O., "caused me great pain. Physicians were helpless, but Bucklen's Arnica Salve quickly healed it." Soothes and heals burns like magic. See at Ed Greene's druggist.

Notice Application to Sell Land.

Notice is hereby given that on the 4th day of November, 1905, at 10 o'clock, forenoon, I will apply to the County Judge of Desoto county, Florida, at his office in the city of Arcadia, Florida, for an order authorizing me as the administratrix of the estate of H. J. Pritette, deceased, to sell the following described land lying and being in Desoto county, Florida, to-wit:

Section of ne 1/4, Sec 20, Township 25 South, Range 24 East. 1/2 of ne 1/4 and 1/2 of nw 1/4, Sec 17, Township 29 South, Range 24, East.

Section 24 and 4 acres in the ne corner of ne 1/4 of nw 1/4 of sec 14, Sec 18, Tp 20 South, Range 24 East.

To pay debts due and past due against said estate. This the 30th day of September, 1905.

Mrs. D. A. X. PRITETTE, Administratrix.

A POOR FILTER.

Why One Central American Town Had Bad Drinking Water. Here is an incident that illustrates the unexpected difficulties which enterprise has sometimes to face in certain regions of Central America: From a certain large lake an important town drew its supply of water. By means of powerful steam driven pumps the water was drawn from the lake through a strong iron pipe, which, after running some eighty or ninety yards into the lake from the shore, ended in an upward turn, a short arm bent at right angles to the pipe and rising to within a few feet of the surface. Suddenly an epidemic visited the town in question. The company's reputation being threatened, it was decided to straightway pull up the pipes and expose the main pipes and conduits. The entire system was laid bare, from the outskirts of the town to the very shores of the lake, but the minutest examination failed to reveal any suspicious feature. Then, almost at their wits' end, for the epidemic was raging as badly as ever, the officials entered upon the last lap and turned their attention to the submerged portions of the conduit, and here it was they found the cause. A huge alligator had been drawn toward the mouth of the main by the very strong influx, and, being unable to release itself from the suction, had remained there until it died, and thus, for goodness knows how long, all the water consumed in the town had first filtered through the decomposed carcass of the alligator.

HUMANITY'S HUNGERS.

What They Are and the Ages at Which They First Appear.

Professor Earl Barnes is authority for the following list of "human hungers" and the ages at which they can first be noticed:

- Hunger for food and drink—infancy. Hunger for action—infancy. Hunger for knowledge—infancy. Hunger for companionship—six weeks. Hunger for property—two years. Hunger for self aggrandizement—five years. Hunger for beauty—two years. Hunger for reasoning—seven years. Hunger for worship—thirteen years. Hunger for righteousness—fifteen years.

The natural desire for food and drink is strongest, said the professor, at birth. After twenty the appetite should, if not misused, become less and less till at seventy a man or woman ought to require only one small meal a day.

The "hunger" for property is very strong at about fifteen—the "collecting" age, when boys will amass anything, from stamps to beetles. When all other "hungers" fall the "property hunger" still exists, and a man is most likely to be a miser when he is nearest his grave.

The "hunger" for beauty—that is, the real "beauty hunger," which means the admiration of art for art's sake—is the most uncommon of all.—London Express.

The Defects of Memory.

With the mass of men it is unquestionable that one fact drives out another, and it is doubtful if the most learned person carries in his mind more details of knowledge when fifty years old than he carried at twenty. It is only that he carries different things. The great lawyer, for instance, obliged to retain in his memory all the minutiae of the most complex case, with the facility of hopeless defect should one fact drop out of place in the chart of his mental voyage, may very likely have to enter on another case by wholly forgetting the first one. He can no more carry it all with him than he can carry the knowledge by which he perhaps graduated summa cum laude from college ten years before—as, for instance, chemistry or the differential calculus.—Atlantic.

The Umbrella.

An umbrella is a "little shade." Cotgrave in 1611 defined an "umbrello" as "a (fashion of) round and broad fanne, wherwith the Indians (and from them our great ones) preserve themselves from the heat of a scorching sunbe." To Ben Jonson and Beaumont and Fletcher likewise the "umbrella" was a sunshade. According to Florio (1598) an umbrella was "a little round thing that women bare in their hands to shadow them; also, a broadbrim hat to keep off heat and rayne; also, a kind of round thing like a round skreen that gentlemen use in Italy in time of summer."

Cheated Death.

Kidney trouble often ends fatally, but by choosing the right medicine E. H. Wolfe, of Best Grove, Iowa, cheated death. He says: "Two years ago I had Kidney Trouble which caused me great pain, suffering and anxiety, but I took Electric Bitters which effected a complete cure. I have also found them of great benefit in general debility and nerve trouble, and keep them constantly on hand since, as I find they have no equal." Ed Greene, druggist, guarantees them at 60c.

BALLARD'S SNOW LINIMENT. A SURE CURE FOR RHEUMATISM, CUTS, SPRAINS, WOUNDS, OLD SORES, CORNS, BURNS, GALLS, BRUISES, CONTRACTED MUSCLES, LAME BACK, STIFF JOINTS, FROSTED FEET, BURNS, SCALDS, ETC. AN ANTISEPTIC that stops Irritation, subdues Inflammation and drives out Pain. PENETRATES the Pores, loosens the Fibrous Tissues, promotes a free circulation of the Blood, giving the Muscles natural elasticity. CURED OF PARALYSIS. W. S. Bailey, P. O. True, Texas, writes: "My wife had been suffering five years with paralysis in her arm, when I was persuaded to use Ballard's Snow Liniment, which effected a complete cure. I have also used it for old sores, frost bites and skin eruptions. It does the work." BEST LINIMENT ON EARTH. ONCE TRIED, ALWAYS USED. REFUSE ALL SUBSTITUTES. THREE SIZES: 25c, 50c and \$1.00. BALLARD SNOW LINIMENT CO. ST. LOUIS, U. S. A. SOLD AND RECOMMENDED BY Ed Green, Druggist, Arcadia, Fla.

SEE THE Arcadia Hardware Co. for special prices on Barbed Wire, Wire Fencing, Cane Mills.

Fall Winds. Misfit Suits makes all Backs Akin. If you wish to keep your back from aching call on me for your Fall or Winter SUIT. No Fit, No Pay, Pay Less, Dress Better. PERRY C. BROWN.

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