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We will not accept stamps of a larger denomination than 2 cents.

One feature of the President's message was its length, requiring three hours to read it before Congress.

The new residences built in Gainesville the past summer are now all occupied, and still there are people looking for houses to rent.

The South Carolina dispensaries have got to pay a government tax, according to a recent decision of the United States Supreme Court.

Judging from the troubles the starving people are having in England to get bread, it can't be charged that they eat too much over 'ome.

Gen. A. W. Gilchrist will not be a candidate for the Legislature, but he may be in the race for governor. He is a gentleman that would do honor to the office.

If more attention would be given to actual business for Florida, so that we could get the country developed, it would be better for the State. The one way is to build good roads and keep them good.

The message of President Roosevelt has started the ball rolling, and there will be some investigations regarding the disposition of some of the insurance funds, also the press bureau of the Panama canal.

People should avoid peculiar circumstances and keep out of their way as much as possible, for the announcement comes from New York that "a woman died under peculiar circumstances" in that city a few days ago.

Mark Twain is the genius who knows what to do with a story when it gets too complex for him. Norman Hapgood, in Collier's Weekly, quotes him as saying that when he involves the characters in a story so that he sees no way to extricate them from their difficulties, he simply washes his hands of the whole business.

Somebody is whimpering about the outcome of the fight in the Supreme Court, provided it is adverse to the Buckman bill. Don't give up the ship—especially ahead of time. If the court declares the Buckman bill unconstitutional, The News believes Governor Broward will immediately call an extra session of the Legislature, have it cure the defects pointed out by the court and make the law good and strong. The tons of rot that are being published need not frighten the people. The politicians may get on the high horse, but the country is still safe.—Cocoa and Rockledge News.

California oranges are now being shipped to London at a rate of \$1 per 100 pounds, that charge covering both rail and ocean freights, says The Savannah News. The rate across the continent to American cities is \$1.25 per 100 pounds. The California rate to London is said to be much lower than the rate allowed Florida, giving California oranges a decided advantage over Florida in the London market. If the Londoners are wise with respect to the flavor of fruits, they should be willing to pay a great deal more for Florida oranges—the finest in the world. But that is no reason for a fight against Florida.

LAWSON AND THE POLICY HOLDERS.

The Georgia holders of policies in the Mutual Life and New York Life Insurance Companies of New York have arranged to meet in Atlanta on December 12th to elect representatives to attend the next annual meetings of those companies and use their proxies in the way that will seem best at that time for their interests, says The Savannah Morning News.

We have received an anonymous communication asking an opinion as to the advisability of policy holders in the Equitable, Mutual and New York Life sending their proxies to Thos. W. Lawson of Boston—the Lawson who has become well known throughout the country as the writer of certain sensational magazine articles on Frenzied Finance. We seldom take notice of anonymous letters, for the reason that, as a rule, the writers of them have a purpose in view which they do not disclose. In other words, they are not entirely sincere. We have no doubt, however, that there are a good many policy holders in this State who do not know whether or not it would be advisable to go into partnership with Mr. Lawson.

We do not know anything more about Mr. Lawson than what he discloses in his frenzied finance articles, but it seems to us they disclose enough to justify policy holders in sending their proxies to some one who has had much less to do with Wall street than Mr. Lawson, according to his own story has. We do not mean that Mr. Lawson wouldn't do what he thought would be best for the policy holders, but he seems to have a pretty strong feeling against the leading officials of the great life insurance companies and it would be only human nature for him to permit his feelings to influence his judgment.

The wiser plan, it seems to us, would be to send proxies to some such man as Stuyvesant Fish, who is a director in the Mutual. In New York he has the confidence of those who are investigating the companies and also of the companies. There is no doubt that if he should consent to receive proxies, he could be relied upon to do the best that could be done for policy holders. And there are directors of each of the companies who have had no part in the grafting, and who are anxious that the interests of the policy holders shall be properly cared for.

In our dispatches yesterday the statement was made by the chairman of the Armstrong Investigating Committee that policy holders would make a mistake by surrendering their policies. The companies are all sound financially. The grafting to which they have been subjected has made scarcely any impression upon them. Besides, the legislation that the Armstrong Committee will recommend will so safeguard the interests of policy holders that, in future, the amount of graft will be very small. There is no particular reason at present why policy holders should be uneasy. If they are going to take part in the annual elections of their respective companies they should endeavor to select as directors men whom they have reason to believe have no axes to grind and no enemies to punish, so far as life insurance companies are concerned, and who can be depended upon to interest themselves in the business of the company with which they are connected to the extent of not sanctioning any wrong doing of any sort.

CARE OF WOODLOTS.

Many farmers in Florida are beginning to look to the saving of woodlots, which will soon be almost invaluable in many portions of the State.

There is a right way to do everything, and the care of the woodlot is not an exception to the rule. The right way, moreover, is often quite simple, the good results which follow being out of all proportion to the time or labor expended. Too many woodlots are simply neglected, and by far the greater number of them are raised for want of foresight or a true appreciation of their value.

The first principles of right woodlot forestry may be summarized in a brief list of don'ts, by which every woodlot owner may profit with very little trouble.

Don't dispose of your woodlot. You need it for your own use. It can be made to give you fuel, posts, poles, fence rails, even such timber, boards and shingles as will keep the farmstead and barn in repair. With a little encouragement its value for home supply will increase year by year. While you use it, it will renew itself, and the price of its products are certainly not decreasing.

Don't turn your woodlot into a pasture.

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Tree seedlings are quickly bruised and crushed by the trampling of live stock. Hungry cattle browse upon them. The soil becomes packed hard and unable to retain moisture so much needed for the encouragement of young growth.

Don't thin your woodlots too heavily. If you do, large openings are made through which the sunlight streams in, drying the soil and encouraging the growth of grass, which should never be suffered to replace the spongy humus that forms the natural top layer of soil in a healthy forest. A crown canopy, formed by the leaves and branches, should always shade the forest floor. Too much light encourages the formation of branching short-stemmed trees.

Don't burn over the woodlot. It has been pointed out that the woodlot is not fit for pasture purposes, but even if it were, the burning over of the soil would still do irreparable damage to young growth, consume the litter which ought to rot into humus, and destroy the very conditions which nature seeks to establish and preserve.

Florida syrup is becoming so popular that there is a demand for it in every household. Those who looked upon it some time ago as an ordinary adjunct to the common cooking, now regard it as almost indispensable for making delicate pastry. It is fast taking the place of all other syrups and is a healthy article for use for the family.

ONE OF THE HANDSOMEST.

The Levy Times-Democrat, published by Oliver J. Farmer of Bronson, is not anything if not truthful, and when it publishes the following we feel certain that our worthy brother believes what he says:

"The Industrial Edition of The Gainesville Sun is one of the handsomest publications ever issued in Florida, and shows up the resources of Alachua county in most attractive style. We congratulate The Sun."

We have many other equally favorable notices from our good brothers of the press, who know the labor such a work requires, and the edition has met with such popular favor from every quarter that we have decided to make it an annual feature, and will next year try to excel the present issue.

The killing of Deputy Sheriff E. E. Johns of Nassau county is no doubt the result of an old grudge held against that officer by men who feared and hated him as an officer. He was a terror to evil-doers and was an important witness in a case in the United States court at Jacksonville. The assassins should be hunted down and punished to the full extent of the law.

The price of cotton has caused the growers to wear a broad smile, which won't come off until they go to buy some cotton goods sometime next spring. They will then find out who pays the freight.

Senator Mitchell of Oregon died at 11:45 a. m. on Friday. He was said to be very much troubled over the land frauds cases, which no doubt hastened his death, which occurred in a hospital at Portland.

A man in Atlanta who was looking for the "champagne" headquarters, was referred to the Piedmont Hotel bar. He didn't know that a Boston man was now in charge.

The Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company will decide on Wednesday next whether it will increase the capital stock from one to thirty million or not.

The big four of the Senate are Dewey, Smoot, Burton and Mitchell. They will be great gallery attractions, provided their dates are not cancelled by the courts.

The Panama canal has eleven millions as a starter with which to go ahead with the work. It may be sufficient to keep up the work of the press agent.

Live Oak has got started and there is no telling where they will stop. A skyscraper for an office building is the latest project.

"Everybody Works But Father" is the title of a new song that is up for popular favor, but mother fails to see the joke.

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