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ONE DOLLAR A YEAR

WHITE HOUSE CLOSED TO ALL VISITORS

Until After The Big Event of Saturday.

DECORATORS ARE IN POSSESSION

Mr. and Mrs. Longworth Will Spend a Part of Honeymoon with Henry M. Flagler—Will Visit the Old Georgia Home of the Bullocks.

Washington, Feb. 17.—The White House is closed to the public, and will remain so until Monday, when Miss Alice will have become Mrs. Longworth, and the greatest wedding that was ever celebrated in this country will have become a part of the social history of the White House.

Of course, the lower floor of the White House will remain open, but the "show rooms," where the wedding will take place, and which the tourist comes to see, the East Room, the Red



Main Entrance to the White House.

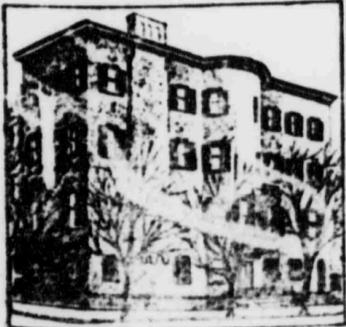
Room, the Blue Room, the state dining room and corridors, are now in the hands of the decorators, and no one will be allowed admittance unless he is a member of the family or among the working corps.

Already the platform has been erected upon which the couple will stand while the wedding ceremony is performed, and before which will pass the procession of guests, who will greet for the first time Mrs. Nicholas Longworth.

The platform is a small affair, and forms a semicircle. The dimensions are eight feet long and three and a half feet wide in the middle and about eighteen inches high. About the entire platform are circular steps leading up, and from the middle the bridal party will proceed to the prie-dieu, upon which they will kneel during a part of the ceremony.

About the platform golden posts have been placed and garlands of flowers and white satin ribbon will be arranged from post to post, leaving a gateway through which the bridal party will pass. The platform is built directly in front of the large window on the east side of the East Room, which faces the entrance to the main corridor, so that as many of the guests as possible may obtain an advantageous view of the ceremony.

It is now definitely known that a part of the short honeymoon will be spent at the magnificent Florida resi-



New Washington Home of the Bride.

dence of Henry M. Flagler, as Mr. Longworth has accepted the invitation of Mr. Flagler and the house is being made ready for the young couple.

The entire wedding journey will be made in the south, with a few days' stop-off at the Roosevelt Virginia home, "Plain Dealing," and a visit to

the old Georgia home of her grandparents, the Bullocks.

As Mr. Longworth is particularly anxious to keep secret the news of just where the honeymoon will be spent, the plans may be slightly altered or reversed in order to elude the public, but whatever the slight variations, Florida and Georgia will be visited.

HE PREFERS HELL TO THE U. S.

Calls American Flag a Dirty and Contemptible Rag.

Macon, Ga., Feb. 17.—Bishop H. M. Turner, negro, of Atlanta, addressing the 500 delegates attending the convention of negroes in this city to discuss racial problems, said:

"I used to love what I thought was the grand old flag, and sing with ecstasy about the Stars and Stripes, but to the negro in this country the American flag is a dirty and contemptible rag. Not a star in it can the negro man claim, for it is no longer the symbol of our manhood, rights and liberty.

"I have heard of both white and black men perpetrating rape upon innocent and angelic women, but no negro in this country has been tried by the courts and found guilty of the heinous crime of rape in fifteen years.

"I know that bloody-handed and drunken mobs have said so, but what Christian people would accept what they say? Yet there are millions of men who pretend to be moral and claim to be sensible in this country who go to these drunken mobs to get information to the conduct of negro men.

"Without multiplying words, I wish to say that hell is an improvement upon the United States when the negro is involved. If a little ignorant and stupid white man, who was never heard of until ten thousands years after the resurrection trump, wishes a little notoriety he begins to belittle and slander the negro and bounds into popularity. And I challenge any one or all of them to meet me in public discussion and I will show that the negro is a far better man than they are."

Outcome Awaited with Anxiety.

Vienna, Feb. 17.—The outcome of Monday's session of the Hungarian diet, when a decree dissolving parliament will be read, is awaited with considerable anxiety in view of the reports that the coalition is determinedly opposed to such a course. The president of the lower house of the Hungarian diet, Herr Julius Justh, declares that in an interview printed in the Die Zeit, of this city, the house will only yield to brute force and that the deputies will not consent to a dissolution until they are driven out of the building by bayonets.

Trying to Locate Robbers.

New York, Feb. 17.—With descriptions furnished of two of the men and of jewelry worth \$10,000 taken, the detective bureau is investigating the robbery of a salesman on the Brooklyn bridge last Saturday evening to make public the facts in the hope of recovery of the gems. It is believed that four men perpetrated the robbery, which took place during the rush hours. It was the familiar pickpocket ruse of "fight" in which the attention of the victim was distracted, and the man with the stolen property escaped.

Shot to Scare.

Bluefield, W. Va., Feb. 17.—"I shot just for fun and to scare the train men." These were the words addressed by Nora Taylor, 12 years old, to the officers who arrested her at Nemours, W. Va., for firing the shot that killed Brakeman Winfield Compton while he stood on a car of his train and signaled the engineer to go ahead.

Varnish Blaze at Cleveland.

Cleveland, O., Feb. 17.—Fire has destroyed a four-story building of the Golden Varnish company. Loss \$100,000. Several tanks of varnish exploded, and a number of firemen barely escaped after being hemmed in by the burning fluid.

Back From Nicaragua.

New York, Feb. 17.—W. C. Alberts, the American who was imprisoned in Nicaragua charged with insulting President Zelaya, and who was recently pardoned, arrived on the steamer Panama from Colou-

NATIONAL WINTER BIBLE CONFERENCE

More Eminent Divines Have Arrived to Assist in Meetings.

STUART'S FAREWELL ADDRESS

Large Attendance to Hear Rev. J. L. Patton on "Japan," Saturday Afternoon—Large Audience Greeted Rev. George Stuart on Saturday Night.

The Saturday afternoon meeting at the Tabernacle was largely attended and the usual preliminary exercises were of much interest, being followed by an able lecture by Rev. J. L. Patton on "Japan." Dr. Patton has only recently returned from that country, where he spent many years in the mission field, and being a careful observer, acquired a fund of facts and figures which are of much interest to all, as he shows the wonderful progress that country is making. His address was highly entertaining as well as very instructive.

Evening Session.

The people began to assemble in large numbers shortly after 7 o'clock in the evening, and the attendance was very large for a Saturday night audience.

After the usual song service and devotional exercises, the Rev. George R. Stuart, the eminent evangelist, gave his famous lecture, "The Devil As a Bird Catcher." This address is considered by many to be his best effort, and although it is a different matter to tell which is best, where all are so good, the general opinion was that in this one he is unusually brilliant. Those who heard it pronounce Dr. Stuart a master speaker.

CAPTAIN JOHNSTON DEAD.

Passed Away at Home of His Son in Daytona Monday—Pioneer Citizen.

Information has reached this city of the death of Capt. J. F. P. Johnston of this city, who passed away at the home of his son, C. E. Johnston, at Daytona Monday of pneumonia, after an illness of seventeen days.

Deceased was one of the pioneer citizens of this county and was widely known throughout this section, where he had many friends. About two months ago he went to Daytona on a visit, but was taken ill and despite the loving care of his wife and other relatives and the constant care of a physician he succumbed.

Deceased was 71 years of age and a native of South Carolina, having been born in Lancaster. His was a life full of interest, having been a veteran of two wars. He came to Florida in early manhood and in the Seminole War fought with distinction.

At the time of his death Captain Johnston was surrounded by his wife and two sons, C. E. and James P. Johnston.

The funeral was conducted Tuesday, the interment being in Pinewood cemetery, Daytona. The services were conducted by Rev. J. E. Miekler, pastor of the First Methodist Church, South, of Daytona.

Friends of the bereaved family in this section will extend sympathy.

Few men in this county were more widely known than Captain Johnston, and few were more familiar upon the streets of Gainesville for so many years. He will be greatly missed here.

Want Distributing Agencies.

New York, Feb. 17.—Inquiries have been received in this city by cable by a number of well known champagne houses requesting details of a proposed distributing agency designed to control the distribution of champagne in this country. No details were given, and the trade here are much interested in the question.

St. Louis Has \$75,000 Fire.

St. Louis, Feb. 17.—A building located in the wholesale district and occupied by Epstein & Whiger, notions; the Monarch Waist company, and several smaller concerns, have been destroyed by fire. Loss is estimated to be about \$75,000.

NEWBERRY NUGGETS.

Enjoyed a Fox Hunt—A Very Pleasant Social Event—Personals.

Newberry, February 16.—A party of sportsmen headed by G. W. Livingston had an exciting fox chase Wednesday morning and brought the swift little animal to show they were successful.

St. Valentine's Day was greatly enjoyed by our people and many comical as well as handsome Valentines were exchanged.

One of the pleasant entertainments of the season was at the home of the Misses Guy Wednesday night. The young people got together and the party was in the nature of a surprise. The evening was spent in playing games and all had a nice time. Among those present were Misses Cylla Kennedy, Ada Pearce, Mollie Swindle, Sarah Williams, Lizzie Smith and Fanny Lee Hodge; Messrs. McGregor, Moynahan, Zipper, Burk, Ellis and Wetherington.

Dr. McLeod is erecting a neat office next to May's Racket Store.

Miss Laura Guy spent Tuesday in Alachua.

CARLOAD OF HOGS.

C. M. McKinney Brought Them to Market for Fagan & Co.

It is rather an uncommon thing to see a solid carload of hogs brought to the Gainesville market, but such was the case Friday, when C. M. McKinney of Graham, one of the most successful and energetic farmers in the county, shipped a consignment to Fagan & Co., the marketmen.

These hogs were not of the ordinary piney-woods type, but of a breed much larger and finer, and all were in excellent condition.

Mr. McKinney not only grows a diversified crop of everything necessary to a good living on the farm, but owns large numbers of hogs, cattle, goats, sheep, etc., from which he realizes nicely. Alachua county needs more like him.

A FERTILE SECTION.

Superintendent Cutler is Well Pleased With Fairfield Country.

Superintendent J. B. Cutler of the Gainesville and Gulf Railway, who has just returned from a trip through the territory south of Gainesville, is well pleased and declares that the country, especially around Fairfield and Micnopy, is the most fertile and best adapted to the growing of vegetables in the State. "I have seen a great deal of fine land," he said, "but this is about the richest I ever saw."

Mr. Cutler states that the movement of lettuce, beets, cabbage and other products is quite heavy from that section now. This is especially true of lettuce, which is very fine, and which in some instances is bringing as high as \$6 per basket in the Northern markets.

Death of Mr. Holder.

J. B. Holder, seventy-eight years of age, died at his home near Hague a day or two recently, and was interred in Antioch cemetery, a large crowd of sorrowing friends and relatives following the remains to their last resting place.

Deceased was a pioneer citizen of the county, having resided in the vicinity of Hague for nearly half a century. He is survived by a widow, four daughters and three sons.

Notice.

There will be a municipal meeting held at Johnson's Hall Monday, Feb. 19, 1906, at 7:30 p. m., for the purpose of advising all voters to prepare themselves to take part in the coming election. S. B. WILLIS, Chairman. A. D. SKIVEN, Secretary.

Jury Indicts Two.

Savannah, Ga., Feb. 17.—The grand jury, after examining forty-nine witnesses to the general shooting affray that occurred last Friday in front of the new city hall, in which two men were killed and three were wounded, returned indictments for murder against Tim McBride, for killing "Babe" Dyer, and against "Sap" Dyer for killing Policeman Patrick Kearney.

STONEWALL CAMP ELECTS OFFICERS

Judge Davis Commander and Captain McGrew Adjutant.

MEETING FULL OF INTEREST

Was Well Attended, Veterans From All Sections of the County Being Present—Commander Serving Second Time; Adjutant Fourth.

The annual meeting of Stonewall Camp No. 1488, United Confederate Veterans, was held in the court house Saturday afternoon, Commander F. T. Baker presiding; Adjutant, John C. McGrew.

There were present about twenty members of the Camp, which was convened for the purpose of electing officers for the coming year, and for the transaction of any other business which might come before the meeting. Inasmuch as it was seen that there would be considerable interest in the election, all those who could possibly do so attended.

After meeting had been called to order Adjutant McGrew read his report of the condition of the Camp, which was approved.

Upon the announcement that the election of officers would be in order, stirring talks were made by Comrades Horatio Davis, F. T. Baker, Thos. Venable, James Doig and W. M. Blitch.

Nominations were made and the following were elected for the year:

Horatio Davis, commander; John C. McGrew, adjutant. Other officers will be appointed by the commander at the proper time.

The meeting was full of interest and those who attended were glad they were present.

Two new names were added to the roll-call. They were T. M. Venable, who served in Company A, Fifth Georgia Reserves, and J. O. McCann, who enlisted at first with the Sixth Florida Battalion and was later transferred to Company B, Ninth Florida Regiment, Army of Virginia.

Upon assuming the duties of Commander of the Camp, Judge Davis will enter upon a second term, having preceded Commander Baker. Adjutant McGrew was elected for the fourth term, which is quite a compliment as to his popularity and efficiency.

All business having been transacted, the Camp adjourned until the first Tuesday in March.

TRIES TO OSLERIZE HIMSELF.

T. C. Lasseter Attempts to Take His Own Life.

Columbus, Ga., Feb. 17.—T. C. Lasseter, aged 65 years, tried to put the Oslery theory in working operation at his room in the Jacques building on Thursday when he swallowed three ounces of laudanum. He left in his room a farewell note in which he said "I am now ready to die. I have a little laudanum which I am going to take. This world has no work for the old man."

Lasseter was found a few minutes after he took the drug by John Jackson, his roommate. After working several hours, doctors brought him around, and he will recover.

The old man had a close call, and had to be beat unmercifully with straps and towels to save his life. The suicidal attempt was premeditated, as he slipped to his wife in Augusta all his personal effects, including his clothing, except that on his back. Lasseter has been selling jewelry over the city. He is a confederate veteran, and drew \$60 pension money just a few days ago.

Blaze in Sioux City.

Sioux City, Iowa, Feb. 17.—Six business concerns in the Cohen-Magouss block and adjoining buildings have been damaged by fire to the extent of \$75,000.

Mrs. Perdue is Acquitted.

Richmond, Mo., Feb. 17.—The jury in the case of Mrs. Emma Perdue, charged with the murder of her husband, returned a verdict of not guilty.