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Fine line of Fancy Lawns and Dimities at 5, 7 and 10c

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Besides the Usual Complete Stock of the Cheapest

STAPLE AND FANCY GROCERIES

IN TOWN, I HAVE ADDED A SELECT LINE OF

MEN'S PANTS AND UNDERWEAR, Ladies and Children's Shirt Waists.

Big Variety of 5c. and 10c. Goods; also, a large stock of

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LOCAL BREVITIES.

PERSONAL POINTERS FITFULLY PRINTED.

Various Items Garnered From This and Other Fields—What Our People Are Doing.

This is the Glorious Fourth. All aboard for Arcadia. Money to loan. K. B. Harvey, agt. Most of the stores will close today. Brenzel's new Dairy Jersey milk. Punta Gorda will celebrate the Fourth in Arcadia to-day. County commissioners and school board will meet next Tuesday. Miss Pearl Hill has returned from a pleasant visit to Venice. Boring deep wells for the colossal ice plant began this week. For pure milk, sour milk or curd, call at Brenzel's New Dairy.—21f

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Cox are visiting kindred and friends at Madison. The family of Mr. R. B. Armstrong have arrived and have taken rooms at Mrs. Eli Tucker's. Capt. C. A. Smoke registered at the Dade from Sunday till Wednesday. Mr. Ed M. Earnest left for Charleston, S. C., on Wednesday's excursion. Hancock's Liquid Sulphur cures prickly heat in one application, at druggists.—1f

Inez Hudgins, the bright little daughter of Mrs. Bates of Arcadia, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. J. R. Sandlin. A few applications of Hancock's Liquid Sulphur will cure any case of ground itch, at druggists.—da

Mrs. Mary All on and bright little son Coe left Wednesday to spend the summer with relatives and friends in Central Georgia.

Messrs. Robinson & Co., proprietors of the China Store, are agents for Peats' wall papers. You save freight by buying from them. Don't forget that for \$2.00 you can get a half-barrel of the best flour fresh from the mills and every thing else proportionately low from T. O'R. Jameson.—1f

Mr. Wm. Augustus Lewis, the lively and capable salesman of J. R. Elliott's dry goods house, left Tuesday to pay a fortnight's visit to kindred and friends at his home in Marianna.

LOST—Sunday, 22d ult., gold-rimmed spectacles in Morocco case with name Elliott, Seattle. Finder will bring to HERALD office and get reward.

Mr. W. S. Stetson and daughter Miss Willie, left Wednesday evening to visit kindred and friends in Millidgeville, Ga. The former will be absent ten days, the latter two months.

The Punta Gorda Livery Stables, E. A. Seward, manager, is a new enterprise recently established which solicits a share of the public patronage. Good horses and buggies and fair treatment. 17f.

Amongst those who left on Wednesday's excursion were: J. A. Newsome, who goes to Macon, Ga.; John Conolly and Cecil Crossland, to Charleston; Miss Lillie Conolly, to Battle Creek, Mich.; and Miss Madeline Roe, Jacksonville.

Slight injuries often disable a man and cause several days' loss of time and when blood poison develops, sometimes result in the loss of a hand or limb. Chamberlain's Pain Balm is an antiseptic liniment. When applied to cuts, bruises and burns it causes them to heal quickly and without maturation and prevents any danger of blood poisoning. For sale by All Druggists.—1f

Our gay and gallant friend, J. J. Roumillat, having resigned his position with the express company, is now smashing baggage between here and Lakeland. Under his able administration, it is guaranteed that all trunks actually put on the train will be sure to go.

Mr. Val Taylor, a skilled jeweller and optician lately of Beebe, Ark., has opened an office and jewelry repair shop in J. Jack's building on Marian avenue, and solicits the patronage of the public. See his card in this paper. We are glad to know that he intends to locate here permanently, to which end his family will come down as soon as cool weather sets in.

At the present day authorities on skin diseases concede and have demonstrated that skin diseases of every nature are caused by micro-scopic germs, bacilli, bacteria, micrococcys or other forms of animal decomposition. Hancock's Liquid Sulphur arrests animal decomposition in every form, and is an absolute destroyer of all germs in such diseases as eczema salt rheum, tetter, Acne, pimples, ringworm, diphtheria, sore throat and open sores. For sale by all Druggists

Rev. W. L. Mahon of Arcadia spent Tuesday here visiting friends. See change in the advertisement of J. B. Cox.

Dr. Latham went down to Fernandina last Saturday to visit his parents and friends for two weeks.

The Sarasota Times reports that Miss Pearl Hill of this place is visiting in Venice.

For fresh cuts, burns and open sores, use Hancock's Liquid Sulphur, at druggists.—1f

Col. Jno. H. Hancock, able lawyer of Fort Ogden, was greeting his many friends here last Saturday and he incidentally illumined this office with his presence for a short while.

Let's all go up to Arcadia to-day and shake hands across the bloody chasm with Hon. Jno. L. Jones. He's an agreeable gentleman, even if he is politically obstreperous.

The Solana Pinerias now present a magnificent sight. Nearly 40,000 pineapples, large, beautiful Cayennes of uniform size and all standing at the same height in a sea of verdure, confront and captivate the beholder. But the spectacle needs to be seen to be appreciated.

Col. Solon B. Turman, candidate for State's attorney, spent last Saturday here looking after his political interests. He made a fine impression upon all whom he met and is quite likely to get a majority of the votes cast in this precinct, if not in the county at large. THE HERALD had a pleasant call from him.

"I am using a box of Chamberlain's Stomach & Liver Tablets and find them the best thing for my stomach I ever used," says T. W. Robinson, Justice of the Peace, Loomis, Mich. These Tablets not only correct disorders of the stomach, but regulate the liver and bowels. They are easy to take and pleasant in effect. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by All Druggists.—1f

Victor Knight, Esq., one of Tampa's bright young attorneys, was a pleasant caller in this office last Saturday. He is out in the field in behalf of Judge Wall's candidacy for the supreme bench and is making himself very agreeable to the friends of both Judge Wall and Judge Hooker.

Mr. Iredell W. Johnson extends his heartfelt thanks to those kind friends and neighbors who so assiduously and generously contributed their time and loving attentions to the comfort and happiness of his beloved wife during her last illness. He can never forget their kindness which he knows was like sweet incense to the heart of his suffering wife.

Mr. E. O. Coram this week opened up a grocery in the store next to J. R. Elliott's in which the Southland stores to keep. He is a very polite and obliging gentleman; and as he has a complete stock of staple and fancy groceries and will sell them at the lowest prices, he justly hopes to have a fair share of the public patronage. Read his advertisement in this paper.

W. H. Lockwood, a darkey who has several times been arrested for handling liquor illegally and who has been under the suspicion of running a blind tiger here for about two years past, was again arrested by Marshall Bowman and on trial last week before Councilman Robt. L. Earnest, acting mayor, was convicted and sentenced to 60 days imprisonment and to pay a fine of \$200. He has appealed to the circuit court. The evidence against him is pretty strong.

Cholera Infantum.

This has long been regarded as one of the most dangerous and fatal diseases to which infants are subject. It can be cured however when properly treated. All that is necessary is to give Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy and castor oil, as directed with each bottle, and a cure is certain. For sale by All Druggists.—1f

Rev. C. B. Stephenson and family left Tuesday evening for Brookers, Bradford county, where they will hereafter reside. Recently Mr. Stephenson spent six weeks up there in religious work and built up a church and he goes there to continue in evangelical labor. During the eight years he and family have lived here they have made many friends and won the esteem of every body. Their departure is generally regretted, but all our people wish them health, prosperity and happiness in their new home.

Very Remarkable Cure of Diarrhoea.

"About six years ago for the first time in my life I had a sudden and severe attack of diarrhoea," says Mrs. Alice Miller, of Morgan, Texas. "I got temporary relief, but it came back again and again, and for six long years I have suffered more misery and agony than I can tell. It was worse than death. My husband spent hundreds of dollars for physicians' prescriptions and treatment without avail. Finally we moved to Bosque county, our present home, and one day I happened to see an advertisement of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy with a testimonial of a man who had been cured by it. The case was so similar to my own that I concluded to try the remedy. The result was wonderful. I could hardly realize that I was well again, or believe it could be so after having suffered so long, but that one bottle of medicine, costing but a few cents, cured me. For sale by All Druggists.

EDITORIAL SURPLUS:

Messrs. King, Langford and Larson will prove excellent county commissioners. Their fine character, well known ability and great popularity ensure their election. Deserving men also are running in Districts 1 and 3, but a second primary is likely to be necessary to decide between them.

No one, we think, will dispute Gen. Giehrst's ability. Added to it is the very important fact, which is generally known, that he is well acquainted with most of the leading men of the State and has their respect and confidence, a circumstance which gives him an influence that is invaluable in securing desired legislation. Those qualifications backed by his experience and practical knowledge of legislative procedure, make Gen. Giehrst the very man we should send to the legislature.

Perry Herald: Editor Jordan of the Punta Gorda HERALD, one of the best newspaper men in all this glorious land, is a candidate for member of school board in Desoto county. In his announcement he says, "If I am wanted on the school board, all right. I will do my best, if elected. But if I am not wanted, it is likewise all right. I have business of my own to attend to." That's the best kind of a platform, and that is the way with newspaper men generally. It is all right whichever way the people vote.

Repression of crime is a matter of immense importance to all peace-loving citizens. The selection of agencies to this end should have our most careful consideration. Amongst these is the office of State's attorney, which should be filled by one who is capable, conscientious, courageous and experienced. These requirements are eminently fulfilled by Col. Solon B. Turman, whose ability was fairly displayed in the conduct of the Strickland murder trial at Arcadia a few months ago. Those who saw and heard him in that case are agreed that he will make an admirable prosecuting attorney.

ASSESSOR NOT TO BLAME.

Regarding the report that Tax Assessor Cooper has raised the value of property and thereby caused an increase in taxes, it should be said that the books, which any one may examine, show that the report is utterly incorrect. The increase arises from the special levy of ten mills for road purposes.

Assessor Cooper, however, did raise the assessments on select tracts of unimproved lands belonging to the big land companies. These were first assessed at 25c. an acre. Mr. Cooper advanced this to \$1.25 an acre, which is the same as the rate on similar lands belonging to private citizens. He did not think that an individual should be assessed higher than a rich corporation; accordingly, he raised the value of corporation lands to correspond with that of lands belonging to private citizens, but he let the assessments of individual property remain unchanged.

WENT TO HER REWARD.

After a long illness from consumption, which she bore with true Christian fortitude, Mrs. Iredell W. Johnson peacefully passed her heavenly reward at 7:45 last Sunday morning, and was laid to rest at noon the following day.

The funeral services, which were conducted by Rev. J. E. McIntosh of the Baptist church, were largely attended by sorrowing friends and acquaintances.

Mrs. Johnson was formerly Miss Shellie Farmer. She was born in Wilson, N. C., Sep. 2nd, 1865, and was therefore nearly 37 years old when she died. On Dec. 8th, 1886, she was married to Mr. Johnson and the union proved a very happy one. To them were born five children, two of whom preceded their mother to the brighter world.

Shortly after her marriage, she became a member of the Primitive Baptist church and remained a consistent, exemplary Christian to the end. In August, 1889, she and her husband removed from Wilson to Punta Gorda, and have lived here ever since.

She was a model wife and mother, ever thoughtful of the comfort and happiness of her husband and children. In these relations she fulfilled every duty, so endeavoring herself to love ones as to render the parting with her extremely hard to be borne.

When her health and strength permitted, her unselfish and devoted Christian character was shown in her ministrations to the sick and afflicted. It was one of her greatest pleasures to alleviate any suffering coming to her attention. Thus she tried to make the world better and brighter from her having lived in it.

Verily, a good woman, a noble, pure spirit has gone from amongst us. Bright be her memory!

Her disconsolate husband and bereaved children have the heartfelt sympathy of the whole community.

The melon and cantaloupe truckers over Middle and South Florida are making lots of money this year from the big crops they have grown.

Cut this out and take it to any drug store and get a box of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. The best physic. They also correct disorders of the stomach. Price 25 cents.—1f

Special train for Arcadia leaves at 7:30 this morning. One fare (\$1.00) for round-trip.

Worms!

For 20 Years Has Led all Worm Remedies.

Prepared by JAMES F. BALLARD, St. Louis.

For sale by the DeSoto Drug Co.

REDUCED SALE

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MILLINERY

We have 75 to 100 trimmed hats that must go Regardless of Cost Now is the time to get a nice hat for half price,

New line of lawns etc Just received at greatly reduced. . . .

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Come in and take a look.

Respectfully,
J. R. ELLIOTT.

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Good Health Demands

Wholesome Food,

SUCH AS YOU CAN ALWAYS FIND AT THE

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Everything in the Grocery line, including Fresh Meats, of all kinds, Fruits, Vegetables, Eggs, and Chickens. Rock bottom prices throughout. Prompt Free Delivery.

Seward's.

Whole wheat and Graham flour at SEWARD'S.

Before painting or re-painting your house get Seward's prices on paints, oils and Atlantic lead. New stock of ready mixed paints received this week.

Seward's hardware department may not be the most complete in the United States, but when it comes to prices, he'll startle creation. Ship chandlery, building material, tools, implements, etc., at honest prices.

Seward will positively save you 25 to 50 per cent on footwear. This is what scores of new customers tell us, and they speak the truth. Honest goods at live and let live prices is our motto. A new stock of good, durable shoes just opened.

Go to Seward's for fresh, first-class groceries at the lowest possible prices.

Remember, that R. K. Seward is agent for both Mapes' and Wilson & Loomis's fertilizers—best manufactured. Seward's gents' furnishing department is recognized by all thinking people as a money-saving annex. Here you get regular 50-cent articles for a quarter.

Seward will supply you with anything from a needle to a brick house, at the lowest prices. Remember this.

Seward's.

Everybody is Interested

In getting the BEST goods at the LOWEST prices. That is what we are doing—getting the best of everything at lowest cost and giving

Our Customers the Benefit

of the LOW PRICES we get ourselves. Accordingly when in need of Dry Goods, and Groceries, Shoes, Hats, Gents' Furnishings, or anything else in the nature of FAMILY, FARM or BOAT SUPPLIES, you will find it to your interest to call on

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Punta Gorda, Florida.

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For 20 Years Has Led all Worm Remedies.

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