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PERSONAL POINTERS FITTILY PRINTED.
Various Items Garnered From This and Other Fields—What Our People Are Doing.

New line lace at Earnest's. 13
Miss Nellie Brown is expected home from Demorest, Ga., tomorrow.
Money to loan. K. B. Harvey, agt.
FOUND—Folding store key.—at HERALD office.—17

Mr. Dan Ward left Wednesday to take up his residence in Swansboro, N. C.
A first-rate bowl and pitcher at Wotitzky's for only \$1.00.

See that new line of spring clothing at Earnest's.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. M. Earnest visited friends and relatives in Bartow this week.

We are offering some rare bargains in silk waist patterns.—J. R. Elliott.

Have you tried Japanese Narcissus? Ask for it at Wade's.

Hon. Jno. N. C. Stockton is announced to speak in Arcadia next Wednesday.

A beautiful line of chateleine bags and purses just in.—J. R. Elliott.

Lowney's candies in all their perfection at Wade's Drug Store.

General Gilchrist spent most of the week in Tampa looking after business matters.

Portraits and views of Florida scenery taken in best styles and satisfaction guaranteed.—Harry Goldstein.

If needing anything in the harness line, A. Roe has something good to show you.

Editor N. G. Broome, of the Zolfo Advertiser, brightened Punta Gorda with a visit last Sunday.

Don't forget we can supply your needs in ladies' muslin underwear.—J. R. Elliott.

Keep your horses and cows healthy and your hens laying by giving them Magic Food; for sale by A. Roe. 10

Town taxes are past due. Books will positively close next Tuesday. Pay up at once and save costs.

Spring and summer dress goods, the right kind at the right prices, at Earnest's.

For reliable orange, grapefruit and lemon trees, address Watkins & Son, nurserymen, Nocatee, Fla.—161f.

There will be no services in the Episcopal church next Sunday. Regular services on the following Sunday.

A new line of low-cut shoes in patent leathers and vic kids of the famous Douglas make.—J. R. Elliott.

When in need of any good, reliable fertilizer, call on A. Roe and he will demonstrate to you that the brands he sells are all right. 10

Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Windham are moving into town and will occupy the cottage on Taylor street near Mrs. Swift's.

A new line of lawns, organdies and white mercerized madras, just received.—J. R. Elliott.

All standard varieties of nursery stock for sale by T. J. Watkins & Son, orange growers, Nocatee Fla.—161f

Mrs. Agnes L. Sahlman, of Fernandina, is visiting her brother, Dr. Fred Latham, at the Duane cottage on Marian avenue.

We have bought a large quantity of Cashmere Bouquet soap and are now prepared to offer this popular article at 25c.—B. M. Wade & Co.

The steamer "Gusnie," owned by Capt. James McKay of Tampa, sailed Saturday for Cuba with a cargo of 700 cattle that were furnished by Mears, R. E. Whidden, J. G. King and J. W. Mercer, of Arcadia.

A splendid oil finish portrait of yourself or any member of your family is given free to every customer of the P. G. M. & S. Co. 18

Inspect the bargain-counter of ladies' shoes at Wotitzky's. A \$2.50 pair for \$1.00; \$1.50 pair for 50 to 75 cents.

Mrs. R. B. Smith and baby left Wednesday for Swansboro, N. C., where she will hereafter reside. Her friends here sincerely regret her departure, but wish her health and happiness in her distant home.

See that beautiful line of lawns, organdies and white goods at 5c. yd. Greatest values ever seen.—at Earnest's.—31

Hart's Tardiff and Valencia Late buds on grapefruit stock, clean and free of insects.—T. J. Watkins & Son nurserymen, Nocatee, Fla.—161f.

Messrs. B. M. Wade and D. A. Holecomb attended the great council of Red Men, which was held in Tampa last week. They represented Myakka Tribe No. 25 of this city. Mr. Wade was chosen junior sagamore.

WANTED—A good colored seamstress to help sew in tailor shop. Apply in person or by letter.—W. R. Chisholm, Punta Gorda.—31.

RIPE TOMATOES suitable for canning, pickling, etc., for sale at 75 cents per 3-peck crate f. o. b. Pineland, Fla.—McAdow & Johnston, Boca Grande, Fla.—141f

The Student Help Fair is to be held in Jacksonville May 30, 31, and June 1. All who take advantage of the very cheap rates during those three days should take in the Fair, which promises to be most interesting.

If you wish to be dressed in the neatest, latest fashion, have your clothes made to order by the Royal Tailors, for whom R. C. Blount is agent.

Lonson Whitten and Earnest Tillis went up to Bartow last Friday to see a negro hung, but as the hanging was postponed, they did the next best thing and courted several of the pretty girls for whom Bartow is famous.

If you have not already secured your spring hat, do so at once. Have one made to suit you by Miss Ballard, the up-to-date milliner at Earnest's.

Mr. and Mrs. Greer, of Dennison, Tex., arrived Tuesday and will settle here. The latter is a niece of Mrs. Wm. Crouch and a daughter of Mr. Wm. Rusk, of Solana. We trust the couple will be pleased with Punta Gorda.

The best premium yet offered for cash trade is an oil portrait of the finest quality, which is given free to the customers of the P. G. M. & S. Co.—18.

Mr. J. E. Lonberger is putting his schooner, the "Gusnie L.," in order for a trip to Panama. He has ordered a fine gasoline engine for her and, as soon as it is installed, he will set sail for the Isthmus, going via Key West and Havana.

Best varieties of orange trees budded on sour, lemon and grapefruit stock, guaranteed free of insects, for sale by Watkins & Son, nurserymen, Nocatee, Fla.—161f.

Mr. Jan. A. Hendry, of Arcadia, candidate for county treasurer, was interviewing Punta Gorda voters, Wednesday. He says his prospects are very encouraging and he feels sure of winning on June 7th. He is a good, deserving and competent gentleman.

The best means to obtain a clear, soft complexion is by using Pompeian Massage Cream and Soap. Try them once and you will never use anything else. We recommend them very highly.—B. M. Wade & Co.

Mr. Jos. H. Brown, of Zolfo, candidate for superintendent of public instruction, spent Tuesday here mingling with the voters. He says his prospects are cheering and he feels sure of winning on June 7th. He is a live, progressive, capable gentleman.

Plenty of testimonials to prove that the best and cheapest remedy for lice, mites, fleas and other insect pests of poultry, is the C. A. Wood Preserving paint (Carbolium)—America; for sale by A. Roe.—12

The contract for carrying the mail by boat from here to Fort Myers, including service to all points on the intervening islands, has been let to Capt. K. B. Harvey, who will begin the service July 1st. The present schedule will be continued until further notice.

Other people may be richer, other stores larger, but none have better purer or more reliable drugs and medicines or treat customers more politely than W. A. Roberts.

Mr. E. B. Hucceby, the progressive fruit grower of Cleveland, has the sincere thanks of the whole family of THE HERALD man for a basket of delicious peaches from his own orchard. These, with home-made Jersey milk, made a dish good enough for a king.

The best dressed men—those who look neatest and whose clothes last longest and look neat until worn out, are those who have their suits made to order by the best tailors, who are represented by R. C. Blount, agent.

E. Ward, an industrious colored citizen who lives in the eastern part of the town, brought in Tuesday a superb specimen of the Cuban Quebr watermelon that was grown in his home garden. It weighed 63 pounds and the vine on which it grew had been worked only once and fertilized but once.

An offering at a sacrifice for cash all my household and kitchen furniture. Call at residence opposite Jess Sandlin's, see the furniture and get prices.—Raymond B. Smith.—211f

We are closing out some of our men's straw hats. Will sell 25c hats at 15c, 50c hats at 25c. \$1. to \$1.50 hats at 50c. These are rare bargains.—J. R. Elliott.

Lake City Reporter, May 20:—The installation service of Rev. C. H. Ferran as pastor of the Presbyterian church of this city took place on Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock. Rev. Kelgwin preached the installation sermon, Rev. Thom. P. Hay, of Gainesville, delivered the charge to the pastor, and Rev. L. R. Sims, of Palatka, delivered the charge to the congregation.

One hundred handsome summer and fall suits, clean and winsome as a new dollar and warranted to brighten the appearance of defeated politicians and their sympathizers, were received at Wotitzky's this week and are being sold at defeated politicians' prices.—191f.

A party of fourteen, mostly fishing people, left here Wednesday evening for their former homes in Swansboro and Morehead City, N. C., some to spend the summer, others to remain permanently. Amongst them were: Mrs. Dan Ward and two children, Mrs. Henry Willis, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Hall, Miss Lula Phillips, Walter Willis, Watt Lawrence, Andrew Weeks, Deek Phillips and Charles Chadwick.

Go to the China Store and see that new, large and pretty assortment of crockery, glassware, blue and white enamel ware, summer toys, lamp shades, bric-a-brac, fine toilet soaps, elegant perfumes; also, flower pots, garden trowels and many other useful and pretty articles, all offered at the most reasonable prices.—20.

Joe Peoples, who is under sentence for stealing cattle and who has been in hiding for some time past, was arrested on the big prairie by Sheriff Fielder last Saturday and lodged in jail at Arcadia. Joe says that Mr. A. C. Freeman signed his petition for pardon; but, if you had forged a man's name to a paper, you would insist that he signed it himself, wouldn't you? Joe is a shrewd duck.

One of the greatest blessings a modest man can wish for is a good reliable set of bowels. If you are not the happy possessor of such an outfit you can greatly improve the efficiency of those you have by the judicious use of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. They are pleasant to take and agreeable in effect. For sale by all druggists.

HIGH SCHOOL COMMENCEMENT.
A school exhibit will be given in the Trinka building, opposite the bank, on Friday afternoon, May 27. This exhibit will consist of specimen work from every grade. All who are interested will be cordially welcomed.

At the city hall on Tuesday evening, May 31, at 8 o'clock, the intermediate and grammar grades will hold their closing exercises. On Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock, June 1, the primary department will hold its closing exercises. Certificates of promotion will be awarded at this time.

On Wednesday evening, June 1, at 8 o'clock, will be held the exercises of the first annual commencement of the High school. At this time certificates of promotion will also be awarded to those finishing the grammar school course.

An admission fee of 10 cents will be charged at the evening sessions in order to defray expenses.

EPWORTH LEAGUE RALLY.
The Epworth League of DeSoto county is planning for a rally at Fort Ogden June 2 and 3. An interesting and helpful program is being prepared, and those who are so fortunate as to be present at this rally will receive great help in carrying on the work of the league in the congregations with which they are connected.

Delegates are expected from Arcadia, Brownville, Nocatee, Wauchula, Zolfo, Punta Gorda and Charlotte Harbor, and the league at Fort Ogden is anticipating great profit from this meeting.

A cordial invitation is extended members of the Epworth League to be present at this rally.

\$18.70 to Nashville, Tenn. and Return via Atlantic Coast Line.

On account of the United Confederate Veterans Reunion, Nashville, Tenn., June 16, the Atlantic Coast Line will sell tickets from Punta Gorda, Fla., and return June 15 to 15 inclusive, at \$18.70. Tickets will be in final limit to leave Nashville on June 18, 1904, but by depositing ticket with special agent at Nashville, and upon payment of fee of 50 cents, extension will be granted to July 10, 1904. For further information see agents or communicate with T. C. WHITE, D. P. A., Tampa, Fla.

Missionary Society Meeting.
The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Florida Conference, M. E. C. S., will hold its annual meeting in Bartow May 26-29. A number of prominent visitors and missionaries will be present and add to the interest of the occasion. Every auxiliary in the State is urged to send one or more delegates. Ministers and others interested are cordially invited and all are requested to obtain from station agent a certificate showing that they paid full fare going and thus secure the reduction on return ticket.

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