



News of the Week

Local Weather Report.

| TEMPERATURE: | |
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| Nov. 22.— | 57. 76. |
| " 23.— | 56. 76. |
| " 24.— | 55. 74. |
| " 25.— | 62. 79. |
| " 26.— | 59. 82. |

There will be services at the Presbyterian church to-morrow morning.

Mrs. D. S. Tingley spent Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Burdette at Palatka.

Miss Addie Bailey is spending the week with a party of Palatka friends camping out at Blue Spring.

Alden and Ralph Crosby were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Gowen at Crescent City Wednesday.

Miss Houston spent the Thanksgiving vacation with friends at Pomona. Miss Holcomb went to her Palatka home.

The Editor and his wife were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Richard F. Adams in Palatka for the K. of P. Minstrel Tuesday night.

The annual meeting of the V. I. A. will be held Thursday at 2:30 p. m. at the home of Mrs. M. W. Crosby. A full attendance is desired.

Christmas is coming. Send your friends the Item for a year. The price is \$1.00. If they wouldn't be interested 2c a week, they wouldn't be your friends.

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Beauchain are glad see them here again. Mr. Beauchain expresses himself as being well pleased at the progress his grove has made in the past two years.

Mr. Levi Hall looks as natural as life to his San Mateo friends once more, and he is working over time looking after his grove interests. As usual, he makes the Byrlyn Place his headquarters.

F. M. Leonard & Co., of Boston, write: "Arrivals of oranges still heavy and market weak on everything except really fancy fully colored fruit. Advise going slow until fruit is fully colored. Grapefruit in heavier receipt and tendency is downward."

FOR CHRISTMAS.

If you want something nice to send your friends for Christmas, order of the San Mateo Fruit Company, an ASSORTED BOX, packed one-half best Oranges and the other half about a layer each of Grapefruit, Navels, Tangerines and Satsumas, with Kumquats on the leaf on top. Each variety in a different wrapper with a card distinguishing them. It makes the nicest box of fruit shipped out of Florida. The price is \$5.00. We want your Christmas orders, and can supply any variety of Oranges or Grapefruit from \$2.00 to \$5.00 per box. Can prepay freight or express to any point and have special arrangements on single boxes to points near New York or Boston. Write SAN MATEO FRUIT CO., San Mateo, Florida.

Notice.

There will be a Card Party for the benefit of the V. A. A. at the home of Mrs. M. W. Crosby on Wednesday evening, Dec. 2. Red cross stamps for sealing your Christmas purchases for sale. Admission 25c.

Orange and Grapefruit Wraps.

Received car-load of Orange and Grapefruit Wraps, the best quality, on November 25. Will be pleased to have your orders.

EAST COAST LUMBER & SUP. CO., no28-2 Eau Gallie, Fla.

Order your Wagons, Carriages, Fencing, Farm Machinery, etc., of Florida Purchasing Agency, Palatka, and save 10 to 20%. 46 in. fencing 29c at Palatka. Write for particulars. Agents Cyphers Incubators and supplies.

Miss Marion Russell, of Jacksonville, Miss Ella Fromme and Mr. Hans Mutzenbecker, of Hamburg, Germany, and Mrs. C. S. Gowen, of Crescent City, were a pleasant party making us a visit Tuesday. The party had been Mrs. Gowen's guests at Crescent City and paid us a little visit en route to Jacksonville.

We had the pleasure of a call recently from Mr. Fred. N. Dickey, representing Geo. B. Long & Co., of Buffalo, N. Y. whose ad. appears on page 4. Messrs. Long & Co., have both as to capital and credit, a fine rating, and they claim, with their branches and main office, they can handle all classes or sizes of oranges to good advantage to the shipper. Their Pennsylvania branch takes the smaller sizes nicely, and the fancy fruit is wanted for the Buffalo house. Write the house for stencil and rates on through car shipments.

Messrs. A. W. Davison, M. E. Little, H. Morris and L. S. Ford, from Hardwick, Vt., arrived at the Byrlyn Tuesday afternoon. Messrs. Davison and Morris left Wednesday afternoon for Florahome and will spend some time with relatives there. They expect to return to San Mateo later.

Oranges and grapefruit are certainly moving from the Crescent City section. The boats average about 2,000 boxes per day, and nearly the same quantity is going out by the A. C. L. Ry. Christmas will see the crops nearly cleaned up at Crescent City unless the market busts and the packers let up.

The K. of P. Home Minstrel at Palatka last Tuesday night was a wonderful success. This is a yearly occurrence and gets better every time. The boys played to a house so filled that standing room only could be had. Every reserved seat in the house was sold. The receipts were \$315.00.

F. M. Leonard & Co., of BOSTON, have an ad. on page 4 this week. Messrs. Leonard & Co., need no introduction to shippers in this section of Florida. They are located in the heart of the fruit dittrict, opposite old Fanueil Hall Market, at 52 Clinton St., and should be able to get top prices. When you have anything going to Boston give F. M. Leonard & Co. a trial. Send for a stencil if you haven't one.

20,000 Acres Virgin Pine, cut 40 Boxes to the Acre, 25,000 Feet Lumber, for Cash, Quick Sale, at \$3.00 per Acre. This land is in St. Lucie County, on railroad. REAL ESTATE AGENCY, San Mateo, Fla. tf.

This is the time to fertilize orange trees. Potato-growers are getting land ready to plant. They are looking about for seed potatoes which are higher than usual this season. They are getting their fertilizer, and in a 15-mile circle from this point many more acres will be planted this season than last. Growers read the ad. of Wilson & Toomer Fertilizer Co.

R. Daetwyler & Co., Philadelphia, as a reminder that they are still doing business at the same old stand, call growers' attention to the fact that it might pay them to give Philadelphia and incidentally Daetwyler & Co., some shipments of oranges and grapefruit. Their card is on page 3. They have an office at Orlando this season. Mr. M. J. Daetwyler is the resident manager, and their representative, Mr. W. A. Dade, well known all over the State, is also making the Florida office of the firm his headquarters.

For Sale.

Twenty-one foot launch, 4 h. p. engine, reversing gear, brass propeller and steering-wheel. Can be seen at wharf, San Mateo. \$100 takes it. Address, ITEM, San Mateo.



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