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OPINIONS vary concerning the value of the new game law. Some have contended that the license feature would keep tourists away, but this has been in a measure disproved by the actual experience of the season in some of the favorite sportsmen's haunts in the state, and many visiting sportsmen have testified that the license is the best feature of the law.

OUR much esteemed contemporary, the Lake City Index, devotes more than half a column of its valuable space in answer to THE NEWS on the subject of publishing the laws, but as all of its argument is based upon wrong premises—that THE NEWS advocates the publication of the laws in every one of the one hundred or more newspapers in the state, which it has never done—there is really little to be said in reply.

THE American Lumberman's monthly table of lumber and timber exports for December shows that Pensacola's foreign exports of sawn timber for that month were 29.98 per cent of the total from all southern ports, as against 29.59 per cent for November, 61.48 per cent for October, 30.62 per cent for September and 51.62 per cent for August. The foreign exports of boards, deals and planks for December from this port were 30.87 per cent of the total from all southern ports, as against 27.72 per cent for November, 33.13 per cent for October, 28.80 per cent for September and 20.73 per cent for August.

"Wanted—A Minority."

Under the above caption the Kissimmee Valley Gazette paints an article that so truthfully portrays the present political situation in Florida, and so accurately expresses views which we have for years entertained, that we take pleasure in transferring it to our columns entire:

No democrat ought to be charged with disloyalty for believing that the present ratio of strength between the democratic and republican parties in this state is a bad thing for Florida. It is a mistake to rejoice over the fact that not a single member of the last legislature was a republican. Experience teaches that the parliamentary form of government is at its best whenever the power is fairly distributed between the opposing parties. A balance of power makes for the best government, and moreover promotes the health of the respective parties. The possession of all the power by one party to the utter exclusion of the other is nothing less than a political misfortune, both for the state and the paramount party. This is apparent in many ways. It leads to factionalism; for where there is no common enemy to fear, the politicians must wrangle with each other. It makes politics a question of men instead of a question of measures; for issues cannot arise where all are of one mind, and if they do spring up they cause party demoralization, as the opposition must come within the party. It breeds animosity and acrimony in the thought and life of the party; for there is no need to waste energy in fighting a dead horse; the freedom from danger does not keep the party on the qui vive, and does not spur to intellectual effort. It is responsible for a general laxity in the administration of public affairs; for there is nothing to fear from criticism that is impotent to punish for negligence or misdeeds.

If the republican were strong enough to form even a respectable minority in the legislature, who can doubt that there would be a speedy determination of such pressing questions of internal improvement as those of local good roads, state roads, state highways, treatment of the rivers, organization of state taxation, reform of the tax system, compulsory education, and other domestic difficulties that are pigeon-holed from year to year by a party read and indifferent by surplus of strength?

No one wishes the republicans to capture Florida, of course; but it is undeniable that they would be in a position to better Florida were they more formidable. We democrats need a thorn in our flesh; some thing more spirituous than a huckleberry under our pillow. To remedy for this state of things is in the hands of the republicans themselves. They can be their own doctors. Let them suppress their selfish bosses and organize on a party basis. In such a cosmopolitan state as Florida they would then find it especially difficult to make themselves a respectable minority. Let them begin to carry the white man's burden instead of adding their weight to the load.

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THE CITY COUNCIL.

Proceedings of Last Night's Regular Meeting.

The regular meeting of the city council was held last night. Present, Mayor Hilliard, Aldermen Baars, Cahn, Christie, Pfeiffer, Hays, Broughton, Gingles, Bazzell, Green and Avery.

After reading and approval of the minutes of the last regular meeting, communications from the mayor were read, one enclosing a communication from the city attorney relative to payment by the state board of health for the quarantine plant, recommended the passage of a resolution urging the state board of health to give immediate attention to the matter, which was received, the resolution unanimously adopted and ordered that the resident agent of the state health board be furnished with a copy thereof.

The mayor recommended that two marines who had been fined \$50 each for being drunk and disorderly and resisting an officer, and who had served out about 27 days of their sentence, be released upon their paying jointly \$60 in cash. The recommendation was approved and it was so ordered.

The mayor stated that during the recent cold weather the city prisoners were sleeping on iron cots without covering and that he had instructed the marshal to expend \$30 for blankets. The action was approved and on motion of Alderman Green an appropriation was made for the board of public safety to pay the same.

The resignation of T. E. Welles as a member of the board of public safety was, on motion of Alderman Cahn, accepted.

Alderman Hays agreed to withhold his resignation as chairman of the harbor and sanitary committee until the next meeting, to see if the ordinance to be introduced by Alderman Green gave him the authority he desired in order to do efficient work in that capacity.

On motion of Alderman Christie, J. George White was unanimously elected a member of the board of public safety to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of T. E. Welles.

Chairman Green of the finance committee reported that on the opinion of the city attorney, which was read, that the city could not legally withhold the \$51.00 balance of salary and \$42.25 in the suspense fund to the credit of ex City Marshal Ed A. Wallace, those amounts had been paid.

Also, that the account of the Pany Jail Co. for \$2,065 for steel cells, etc., had been paid.

Also, that the finance committee was ready at any time to meet the board of public works relative to the ditches and drains that needed repairing and the mayor was requested to see that a joint meeting be called for that purpose.

Alderman Green also gave notice that the contract with the Pensacola Gas Co. for lighting the city streets would expire Jan. 1, 1901, and suggested that the board of public works be reminded of this fact; that it might be advantageous to the city to advertise for bid for lighting the city streets.

On the recommendation of Chairman Hays \$275 was appropriated to pay the city attorney for extra services in representing the city before the water front commission in October, November, December and January.

Alderman Broughton of the committee on water and gas, to whom had been referred the complaint as to the quality of city gas, reported, enclosing a communication from Superintendent C. F. Zerk of the Gas Co., stating that the city gas is of 25 candle power standard, that it is tested three times a day by a competent person and that the average for 1899 was 25.44 standard; that the most approved methods were used to insure its purity; that the price charged was 30 per cent less than their charter permitted them to charge, and that the candle power was higher for the price than the gas in any other city in the South.

Alderman Avery as a member of the committee said they were not experts and that the only thing they could do was to ask the superintendent of the Gas Co. for a statement which they had done. If furnished with sufficient funds, the committee might employ an expert to see if that report was correct.

Alderman Green wanted to know if the city did not have a machine for testing gas.

The clerk stated that there was such a machine in the comptroller's office but it was not in working order and had not been for years.

On motion of Alderman Green the report was received and filed and the committee was instructed to ascertain where a machine for testing gas could be obtained and what it would cost.

Alderman Baars was granted further time in which to report on the six ordinances.

Alderman Green was granted further time in which to report on the Kirk claim.

A communication from the board of public works relative to the claim against the state board of health for the city's share of the quarantine plant, was filed.

The ordinance making the salary of the tax collector \$1,020 a year was read the second time.

Alderman Green gave notice that he would introduce at the next meeting an ordinance to govern the



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building of telephone plants and to regulate the service of the same.

A transfer of the liquor license of J. Hauteman & Co. to Frank Boevieh was granted.

A petition of residents along the cemetery and west end branch of electric line asking that the company be required to run cars as required by their charter was referred to the mayor.

On motion of Alderman Cahn, the codification of the city ordinances was indefinitely postponed.

A communication relative to appointing delegates to the Milwaukee Mining congress was filed.

The council then adjourned.

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Did a Wholesale Business. An Englishman looking from the north went into the Chatham hotel, in Paris, recently and cautiously asked the price of a whisky.

"One franc, sir," replied the bartender.

"And a whisky and soda?"

"One franc, sir. All drinks are the same price."

The Englishman sat down and, to his astonishment, found that the place was run on American lines and that the customers helped themselves at their own discretion. He polished that bottle of whisky till it was nearly empty. As he went out he paid down his franc, but the manager called him back and said, "You have forgotten your change."

"I thought that the drink was a franc?"

"That is so, sir," was the reply. "That is the retail price, but there is a reduction when you buy wholesale." And he handed back 5 sous.—London Chronicle.

A Valuable Face. Jewett-Cutter has a terribly endearing appearance. He is not possessed of what would be classed a full countenance.

Waxen—On the contrary, his is a regular lathered face. But then he isn't allowed of that. He neither prides himself upon it and for good reason. A kiss was thrown over his head by a cowboy out on the plains, but his face was so sharp that it cut the rope and so saved his life.—Boston Transcript.

Lucky For Him He's the Boss. Salesman—What's the boss so mad about this morning?

Confidential Clerk—He overslept himself.

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HOME NEWS NOTES

Local forecast for Pensacola and vicinity: Fair, with cold wave to-night and Friday; southeast shifting to high northwest winds. Maximum temperature yesterday, 66 degrees; minimum in last 24 hours 58 degrees.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS—Regular meeting of Rathbone Lodge No. 30, K. of P., to-night at 7:30 o'clock; work in the first rank; all members and visitors urged to attend.

MARINE WAYS—The schooners Davy Crockett and Maud Spruill hauled out on the marine ways today for overhauling, and the brig Alice Bradshaw was launched.

GEN. GORDON'S LECTURE—Gen. John B. Gordon will deliver his lecture, "The Last Days of the Confederacy," at the opera house on the evening of Feb. 19. Don't miss it.

BAD SIDEWALKS—All citizens are requested to notify City Marshal Wilde of any sidewalk they know of being in bad condition and he will at once see that it is put in good repair.

A QUICK TRIP—The fishing smack Benj. F. Sutter, Captain Mechetti, arrived this morning from the Campeche snapper banks with 2,000 snappers, making the trip in fifty-six hours.

MILITARY BALL—Don't miss the dance and medal drill of the Chipley Light Infantry to-night at the armory. The floor is in fine condition and good music will be provided.

ARTISTIC WORK—The side of Peter Bell's popular saloon is being artistically decorated by an elaborate picture of a lion and an infant, the work of that expert, Theodore Weber.

WILL APPEAL—J. C. Kirby, the furniture collector convicted in the criminal court for trespassing because of entering the house of a delinquent debtor to seize a lot of furniture after being warned not to do so, will take an appeal to the supreme court.

FINE CHICKENS—On roosts over the stalls in the car with the fine Tennessee horses that arrived this morning for the Pensacola Livery Stables were a lot of high bred chickens of various breeds which Mr. John G. Wood ordered for himself and friends. They are beauties.

INTERESTING READING—Outing for February contains a series of articles upon divers open air sports pursued in the South, and especially in Florida, while the North is swathed in snow and ice-bound. Yachting in southern waters, tarpon-fishing, golf, shooting and other sports are represented by excellent articles, by experts, beautifully illustrated.

WHY JONES LEFT HOME—The Woodward-Warren company presented that laughable farce "Why Jones Left Home" at the opera house last night to a crowded house. Mr. Guy Woodward, assisted by his lively corps, kept the audience with a broad grin on their faces the whole evening. The specialties, including some very fine classical music, were excellent. "The Midnight Masquerade" will be the bill for to-night and the house will undoubtedly be filled.

LADY WALKER—The marriage of Miss Nellie Hall Walker to Mr. Henry Statmore Laird took place at Christ church at 8 o'clock last night. Rev. Percival H. Whaley officiating. The attendants were Miss Pearl Walker and Mr. Frank Laird. The ceremony was performed beneath an exquisite floral bell. After the ceremony a wedding supper was served at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Walker. Mr. and Mrs. Laird left this morning for their home at Vernon, Fla.

CHOCTAWHATCHIE SHAD—Local fishermen had on the streets this morning specimens of fine, fat full-grown shad, caught near the mouth of Choctawhatchie river. They are doubtless the progeny of spawn and fry placed in these waters about four years ago by the representatives of the U. S. Fish commission, and their presence opens a bright future prospect for the enjoyment of this famous and excellent fish by our people, and a corresponding additional benefit to the fishermen who cater to their wants and tastes.

THE CARRABELLE FIRE—Capt. E. E. Sander received a letter from Mr. R. J. Gill of Carrabelle this morning giving him a full account of the big fire at that place February 6th at 5 o'clock p. m. The following places were destroyed by fire in less time than 1 1/2 hours: Franklin County Lumber Co., postoffice, customhouse, meat and fish market, railroad depot with telegraph and postoffice, also the wharf under the depot building. The Gulf Naval Stores Co's warehouse was saved by cutting the wharf.

A PUBLISHERS' UNION—The frequent occurrence of instances of bad debts made by the publishers of newspaper suggests the organization of publishers' protective unions, similar to that recently organized by the retail merchants, the purpose being to keep a permanent record of the characteristics of all patrons so that in dealing with them each member of the organization may be forewarned against those who promise and do not pay promptly. The members of the merchants' union report great benefit already received from their organization, and no good reason appears to exist why publishers should not be similarly benefited.

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