

# THE PALATKA DAILY NEWS.

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**Meeting of County Commissioners.**  
Board met at 12:30 July 3, according to motion of meeting June 6, the regular day being a legal holiday.

Present—A. J. Beach, chairman; Commissioners Stevens, Wimberly, Evans and Marshall; Thomas Shelley, Sheriff, and W. F. Forward, Clerk.  
Minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

1. Branch road, leading from the Georgetown and Como road, near residence of J. Hicks, Esq., was granted for a width of twenty feet.

2. The road petitioned for by J. H. Poore and others, in May, was granted, a width of twenty feet.

3. Road in district No. 5, and one from four-mile post on Fruitland and Crescent City road to Crescent City, known as Huntington avenue, and road on the east side of the P. & I. R. R., was granted, for a width of thirty feet.

4. Re-survey of road from Fruitland and Crescent City road to the Lake Como and Crescent City road at Prior's lane, was accepted, as per notes of surveyor.

5. Mr. Huston made a statement in regard to the armory for the military company at Palatka, and it was, on motion, ordered that \$80 be appropriated to pay lease of the rink building for use of the Gem City Guards for armory purposes, at the rate of \$12 per month, from April 27 to September 27, 1884.

Board took recess until 2:30 o'clock.

7. Petition from residents of district No. 5 to discontinue a portion of the road in district No. 5, granted June 6, was laid over, under the rules, for one month.

8. Application W. M. Morgan for the appointment of Hampton Morgan and Cawley C. Morgan as state pupils to the East Florida Seminary, was granted.

Treasurer's account current for the quarter ending June 30 was examined, approved, and ordered filed.

On motion, \$49 was ordered paid W. R. Johnson for building a bridge over Cabbage creek, on the Micanopy road, as per contract awarded February last.

On motion, ordered the Treasurer be and he is authorized to pay in cash from the proper fund warrants drawn or to be drawn to the amount of \$1,000.

Treasurer's report of warrants paid and cancelled for the month of June, amounting to \$159 60, examined, found correct, and ordered filed.

The following bills were approved for Coroner's inquest:

Jurors, E. R. Hall inquest, \$45 00  
Witnesses, 32 20  
Jurors, Nora A. Foster inquest, 15 00

The following bills were allowed and ordered paid:

Benj. Harrison, justice's fees, \$9 95  
Witness fees, justice court, 31 50  
Clark Stevens, County Commissioner's mileage to date, 21 00  
Thomas Shelley, jail expenses, 149 00  
Thomas Shelley, fees inquest Nora A. Foster, 7 80

J. S. de Montmolin, guarding jail 28 00  
Thomas Shelley, sheriff's fees, 12 60  
J. W. Strickland, Superintendent

Public Instruction, 33 33  
W. F. Forward, Clerk Circuit Court, for record book and stationery for Clerk's office, 42 85

No further business, board adjourned.

### PROMINENT PEOPLE.

James G. Blaine has accepted the invitation of Bowdoin college, and will be in attendance on commencement day, July 10. He will be the guest of Gen. Chamberlain.

Miss Fortescue's suit for breach of promise against her faithless lover, Lord Garnoyne, has, according to the London World, been withdrawn. The same authority avers that Earl Cairns, father of the actress as a balm to her wounded heart.

John Glendon, stenographer, recently reported the proceedings of a House of Commons committee five hours a day for forty-one days, the inquiry embracing 25,367 questions and answers, which written out covered 2,365 foolscap pages, and the completed report was pronounced a model, almost a marvel of accuracy.

Jean de Labadie, the Carmelite founder of the religious sect to which the Bayard family in this country belonged, was born in Bordeaux in 1610, entered a Jesuit college and led a religious life, feeding alone on herbs. He was a friend of John Milton, and was visited by William Penn at Herford Abbey and Wield.

The town of Medora, on the Northern Pacific railway, is named after the wife of DeMores, Medora Hoffman, the namesake of her aunt, the famously beautiful Medora Grimes, whose memory is freshened by the reminiscences of the late Sam Ward, who won her for his second wife when she was already the betrothed of a rich young Frenchman. "The Marquise de Mores delights in sharing the wild life of her husband. In St. Paul she is the most richly and tastefully dressed woman you will see. On the plains she rides and shoots faultlessly. Galloping over the prairie, an eagle plume in her hat and a rifle slung from her saddle, she is the picture of wild beauty."

### The Price of Real Estate.

Editor Palatka News.  
I wish to call your attention to a resolution passed by the city council on the 30th day of April last, in reference to the assessment of taxes by our state assessor, for the county of Putnam. These resolutions, are, under our state laws, a misdemeanor covered by our statute, as slander of title in connection with value of property, called real estate. These members of the city council venture to say that real estate holders are asking exorbitant prices, and hindering the growth and prosperity of the city. In reply to this, does the city council know that any undue influence brought to bear either with the tax assessor or with the county commissioners, by outside corporations, is sufficient reason and legal objection in our courts for refusing to pay the state, county and city taxes. Do these ignorant and arrogant councilmen know that the principles of government, even in the most severe monarchical powers of Europe, no such assumption of power. No emperor would dare to put a price on any property of any subject of his kingdom.

There is nothing so sacred to man in a republican government or in any other government, as his right to his own property and his right to its ownership and its value. If the assessor of the county makes a mistake on his assessment, which every one is liable to do, is it a right of a city council to meddle with it? These resolutions are an insult to the intelligence and integrity of the board of county commissioners who are selected by the people of the county at large, to do justice to all parties, particularly in reference to taxes.

It is presumed that real estate, in its tax valuation, is placed on the tax book according to its income. Wild lands in some cases may be valued for sale at \$1.25 per acre, but when sold and improved the assessor returns it to suit the income. This resolution of council comes under what is called the Agrarian laws of Rome in ancient times, when it was decreed that every man should have a share in all the real estate of the country. The fool family have left a great many heirs of their estate in this country and others, and in many instances, they get a little brief authority which turns their heads and leads them into violation of constitutional and rational government, simply, from pardonable ignorance and imperfect education in relation to honorable principles of social life and equality of rights. If the tax assessor of this county is incompetent for his position, then the people of the county should say so, but it is not the business of the city council to insult his capacity. If the county commissioners of this county are not capable of doing the business before the state law does not provide for any member of any corporation to dictate as to what they should do in any respect.

In this resolution, it is stated that "different parties" owning unimproved real estate are refusing to sell the same or are asking what would seem to be an unreasonable exorbitant price. It is presumed that this resolution comes from a city eye-glass speculator, who wears leather spectacles, with a one hole grindstone in front of him, thinking that he is the first big frog in the puddle and boasting that he has ousted republican toads for better or worse.

In the last election for councilmen, it was supposed that a reform party would, if elected, show a legislative ability in the administrative necessity of the city, but instead of this, adverse to republican common sense power, ignorant or not, we are fronted with a dictatorial resolution utterly at variance with constitutional liberty.

In solution of this particular extravaganza, we sum up a remarkable outlet and detective insolence of what is called the young democratic policy, which has caused a failure in more particulars than any one wishes to state in a conservative democratic organization.

### ESTATE REAL.

**No Dispute About His Record.**  
New York Sun.

There is no pretense anywhere that any charge affecting Mr. Blaine's character is the outcome of political feeling, of campaign excitement, or of partisan malice.

Mr. Blaine goes before the country squarely on his record. There is no concealment, no evasion about it whatever. It is as bad as it can be, and his supporters meet it without reserve. He is dishonest; he has himself, on the floor of the house, read aloud the written proofs of his dishonesty. It is his boast that he has always been frank and open upon this subject.

On this basis the republican party has accepted him. He is the proper exponent of its morality, and with the completest and fullest knowledge of him it proposes to put him at the head of the nation.

**Look Out for Him.**  
Chicago Times (Ind.).

The doorknobs of the Democratic National Convention will please look out for a man with a bad eye and a stout club under his arm. His name is Butler—Benjamin Franklin Butler—and he wants to get in for the purpose of kicking up a row.

### Blaine's Religion.

Some of the republican journals opposed to Blaine are worrying themselves and their readers about his religion. We do not suppose that Blaine is troubled with any great amount of religion, but whether he is or not, the subject is not a proper one for political discussion. He has a right to his faith and practice, and men will judge him rather by his daily walk than by his professions.

The latest thing we have seen on this point is from the Rev. James H. Eool, pastor of the Congregational church of Augusta, Maine. He says:

Mr. Blaine's father was a Presbyterian and his mother a Catholic; that Mr. Blaine "is not a Catholic, but a straight New England orthodox Congregationalist." The reverend gentleman further says that Mr. Blaine "has never been a Catholic" since coming to man's estate, and adds: "If as a little child he took his mother's hand and walked with her to church, why there is a good Protestant day of judgment coming which will no doubt purify as by fire the touch of that mother's hand."

If Mr. Blaine does not take an early opportunity to repudiate the language and sentiment of this "bloodhound of Zion," which reflects upon his dead mother, he ought not to receive the vote of any man with an honest soul, no matter he belongs to any religious denomination or not. If Blaine believes this of his mother, all the political and personal sins charged against him by his most malignant enemy, sink into insignificance.

### Rarely to be Found.

N. Y. Evening Post (Rep.).  
An Irish republican has always been almost as much an anomaly on election day as a colored democrat, and we do not believe that the vigorous American policy cry will make any exception to the rule this year.

Prof. David Jordan, late of the Indiana State University, has accepted a call to catalogue the American fishes in the British Museum.

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**ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.**  
ALL CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF A. S. H. DEMONT must be presented as prescribed by law or this notice will be pleaded in bar. And all parties concerned will take notice that six months from the date hereof I will ask for my final discharge from such administration before the county judge of Putnam county, Florida.  
C. A. KNOXSTON,  
Administrator.

**ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.**  
HAVING BEEN DULY QUALIFIED AS Administrator of the estate of Joseph H. Mann, I hereby require all claims and demands against said estate to be presented as prescribed by law, or this notice will be pleaded in bar and all debtors are warned to make immediate settlement to the undersigned.  
A. W. MANN, Administrator.

### PROFESSIONAL CARDS.

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