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PRIZES AWARDED AT STATE FAIR

MARION COUNTY LEADS WITH LARGEST NUMBER OF POINTS TO HER CREDIT.

The Tampa Tribune of Thursday contained the following relative to the awards at the state fair:

The Judges of the county exhibits at the Florida State Fair yesterday reported their findings to President Brown; and, at a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Fair Association, the various County Fair Commissioners and representatives of the press, the awards of the general county premiums were announced.

Under the rules for awarding these premiums each of the departments of exhibit named as a basis of premium, was recognized as 10 points, the six counties having the largest number of points received the premiums.

The following is the standing of the competing counties as made by the judges, the first six receiving the general county premiums of $2,000 and blue ribbon, $1,000 and red ribbon, $500 and white ribbon $250 and yellow ribbon, $150 and pink ribbon, and $100 and green ribbon:

First, Marion	82
Second, Hillsborough	75
Third, Polk	70
Fourth, Manatee	62½
Fifth, Alachua	52
Sixth, Lee	41
Seventh, Orange	37
Eighth, Osceola	36
Ninth, Pasco	27
Tenth, Citrus	23
Eleventh, Lake	18
Twelfth, Baker	14
Thirteenth, Washington	12
Fourteenth, Gadsden	10

The total number of points accorded each county was the total of the percentage given by the judges in each of the 14 departments of exhibit. In addition to the general county prizes, there were special prizes in each department, which were awarded to the counties as follows:

Winning Counties.

Largest and best display of citrus fruits, including pineapples $500. Lee county.

Largest and best display of agricultural products, $250, Marion county.

Largest and best display of vegetables, $100, Manatee county.

Largest and best display of horticultural exhibit, with cut flowers and bearing fruit trees, $200, Baker county.

Largest and best display of cotton, $100, Alachua county.

Largest and best exhibit of tobacco grown in county $200, Gadsden county.

Largest and best display of preserved products. $50 Lee county.

Largest and best display of mineral products, $100. Marion county.

Largest and best display of native woods, $100 Marion county.

Largest and best display of live stck, $250, Marion county.

Largest and best display of poultry, $200. Hillsborough county.

Largest and best display of manufactured goods, $100. Hillsborough county.

Largest and best educational exhibit, Hillsborough county.

Prevention Better Than Cure.

In these days, when most medical men are on the still hunt for miraculous cures, specifics in one or other form, it is easy to lose sight of, at least to fail to give sufficient attention to, the matter of the cause or causes of disease and of the means of prevention as well as of the really scientific because so often simple measures calculated so to help nature as to enable her to successfully perform a cure.

We all remember how the profession ransacked the entire earth for some medicament that should "cure" scurvy. No better illustration of what good old Dr. Oliver Wendell Holmes declared to be shameful to the profession could be given than the various "treatments" for scurvy till some thoughtful layman discovered the true cause of the disease to be lack of vegetable food. A rational supply of vegetables or fruit and fruit juices and a diminished ration of salt meat sufficed to render all the armies, navies and camp dwellers of the world "immune."—Health Culture.

Siberian Convicts.

Some interesting phases of Siberian life are described in Samuel Turner's book on that country. Of the exiles he writes: "When I told a Siberian friend that I carried a revolver as a protection against wolves I was promptly informed that I had much more reason to fear the human wolves I might encounter, and this, I found, was a general view of the case. About one-third of the criminal exiles escape all control. Armed with a stick, to which is attached a strong piece of cord or catgut, they will approach the unwary traveler from behind, throw the cord round his neck and quietly strangle him by twisting the stick, to rob him at their leisure of whatever he may possess or secure his passport in order to make their escape from the country."

A Siberian Wonder.

The scientists have for years been perplexed over the wonderful frozen well at Yakutsk, Siberia. As long ago as 1828 it was announced that the ground was frozen to an abnormal depth at the place referred to. In the summer of 1829 a Russian merchant set a gang of men to the task of ascertaining the depth of the frozen stratum. They gave up the job after digging some thirty feet in solidly frozen ground. The Russian Academy of Sciences took the matter in hand and between 1838 and 1844 dug to a depth of 382 feet and then abandoned the shaft because the earth was still frozen as hard as a rock. Natural cold could never penetrate to such a depth, and the phenomenon is still unexplained.

OPEN MARKET FOR NAVAL STORES

ATLANTIC COAST LINE PURCHASES PROPERTY FOR THIS PURPOSE AT JACKSONVILLE.

The Atlantic Coast Line, which has made improvements during the past two years aggregating hundreds of thousands of dollars in the East End, says the Jacksonville Metropolis, has now acquired all the properties of the Southern Warehouse Company, which means all the terminals of the Naval Stores Export Company. The property, which cost the Atlantic Coast Line $100,000, comprises fifteen acres of land along the west bank of the St. Johns river, and is from the old A. S. Welch property to Deer Creek, and along Deer Creek to Talleyrand avenue to a point just north of the northeastend of the present bridge across Deer Creek on Talleyrand avenue. At this point the boundary line bends southerly at an angle of 83 degrees 20 minutes east, and runs along the center of the present channel of Deer Creek for a distance of 500 feet. Here the line turns southerly at an angle of 67 degrees east, to the St. Johns river, and thence runs southerly, following the west bank of the river to the place of beginning. The land lies in section 48, township 2 south, range 27 east, and is described as containing 15 acres familiar to the residents of the city as the old "McGuire mill tract," lying to the northeast of the city, recently purchased by the Naval Stores Export Company.

The deed is signed on behalf of the party of the first part by Mr. J. H. Burroughs, president of the Southern Warehouse Company, and on behalf of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Company by Mr. G. C. Johnson as its secretary. The Coast Line was represented by Mr. G. C. Wade and the Southern Warehouse Company by Mr. W. F. Coachman. The railroad was further represented by the Hon. John E. Hartridge as counsel, and Mr. W. G. Toomer, formerly of Waycross, Ga., but now of Jacksonville, appeared as counsel for the Warehouse Company.

An Open Market.

Hon. J. E. Hartridge, in speaking of the deal, says it means that an open market will be maintained. It means that anyone can store turpentine in these warehouses, no matter how small the amount that he may offer. Of course, there will be a warehouse storing charge demanded, but the market, upon payment of that charge, is to be open to all and in no wise limited nor closed.

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At the Ambassador's Reception

By A. M. DAVIES OGDEN

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Young Leighton went listlessly up the steps of the embassy. It had been an extremely hot July day even for Paris, and Leighton felt tired and dispirited. But all good Americans must go to their ambassador's reception. Besides, there was a girl. Yet Leighton's step did not quicken at the thought. His pace, if anything, slackened. She was a nice girl—oh, yes—and pretty and rich. Nevertheless—

The rooms were crowded with the usual mob of Americans, traveling and resident, mingled among a few French people. Leighton, watching idly for a moment, caught sight of Miss Harris wedged across the drawing room and worked his way to her. At his suggestion of the conservatory she looked keenly at him and seemed to hesitate. Then she smiled.

"Why, it might be cooler," she assented. "You know the way?"

But once away from the crowd, amid the luxuriant green of the palms where a little rippling fountain lent a note of freshness to the heated atmosphere, young Leighton fell silent. As the girl chatted gayly on, apparently unheedful of his quietude, Leighton studied her carefully. She was slight and trim, perfect in detail from the tiny patent leather ties to the huge, rose crowned hat tilted so becomingly on the wavy hair. Yes, she was undeniably attractive. Yet once more Leighton sighed. Perhaps it was the sight of so many of his country people together, but undoubtedly Leighton was conscious of a vague nostalgia. Would he ever see America again?

He was a tall, clean cut young fellow, with pleasant hazel eyes, but round his mouth had deepened lines which betrayed that existence was proving none too kind. Five years ago he had arrived at the Beaux Arts eager, hopeful, ambitious. He had worked hard, he had struggled patiently, yet somehow success did not seem to come, and now a terrible doubt was beginning to torment the young fellow. Had he mistaken his vocation?

From the beginning his father had been averse to these artistic projects. "There is a place for you in the bank whenever you choose to come home and take it," he had said, "but no money of mine shall go for foolishness and Frenchmen." Young Leighton, at first too confident to dream of failure and later too proud to admit the fact, had fought along striving to the best of his ability. How could he give up and go home? And, then, just a month ago he had met Miss Harris.

She was stopping awhile in Paris, living with a rich old aunt and possessed of the reputation of being herself extremely wealthy. Apparently she had at once taken a fancy to Leighton. She asked him to call. The day after he had left a card at the Ritz came an invitation for dinner, and henceforth nearly every day saw the young people together on some pretext or other. Leighton let himself drift. He liked her, liked her immensely. To her very finger tips the girl was sensitively alive to the beautiful, her perceptions were delicate and fine, her tastes cultivated. Leighton realized fully her charm, and yet he still hesitated to put the decisive question. Her voice broke suddenly across his reverie.

"You are not listening at all," she remonstrated gayly, yet with a certain strained note below her mirth, which Leighton in his abstraction missed.

"Why this wool gathering tendency today?" Leighton laughed.

"I was thinking how like a rose you looked against all this green in that pretty pink frock," he answered. Miss Harris frowned a little.

"I do not care for compliments," she uttered dryly. "Pray let me tell you again that I am leaving Paris tomorrow."

"Leaving Paris!" echoed Leighton. "Why"—

"We go to Lucerne for awhile," stated Miss Harris. "It is far too warm in Paris now."

"Lucerne!" repeated Leighton again rather blankly. He could never afford to follow her there. If he were going to ask her it must be done now. His mouth tightened. The girl, whose eyes had scrutinized his face with a certain eager intensity, interposed before he could speak.

"I am going to Lucerne to join a friend," she began rapidly, as though there were something which must be met and faced now. "I want to get there before she leaves, as I have just heard that she is sailing next week. We have always been great chums, this girl and I; had no secrets from each other and that sort of thing."

"Yes," said Leighton absently. He was wondering how it would seem to work in the bank. Was it fair to a girl to marry her for her money? After all, dad was a good sort. If he could only make up his mind to renounce art, to confess his failure to dad! But at the thought his throat contracted. Give in; admit that he was no good! He bent forward.

"Listen," he began unsteadily. "I"—But the girl was still chattering on.

"You see, she cannot come to Paris," she pursued. "Her mother has an idea that Ruth is interested in some young man here, and she would not hear of it when I suggested their coming to me; consequently I must go to them. And that is why I am departing so unexpectedly."

Leighton clinched his hand nervously.

"Ruth," he hesitated, coloring faintly, "I used to know a Ruth. It is a pretty name. And—and you say that she is interested in some one here," trying desperately to speak with impersonal calmness. Miss Harris nodded.

"Yes," she responded quietly, "I believe he—he asked her to marry him once. But she refused him, not knowing how much she cared. And—and then he went away. She did not know where to write, you see. He had quarreled with his father, and so"—

She stopped, for Leighton, uttering a low cry, had caught her fingers in his.

"You knew," he managed brokenly. "You knew—all the time"—

For answer Miss Harris thrust a hand into her pocket and produced a letter. This she opened at a certain page and without a word passed it to the young man. Leighton's breath tightened to a gasp.

"Marie, oh, Marie, if you meet him send him back to me!" he read. The words, blurred by the mist that dimmed his gaze, danced wildly before him. Ruth, little Ruth! Outside the window a splendid American flag trailed lazily in the faint breeze, and with a sudden great heart throb Leighton's spirit leaped to answer the call of home. Yes, he would go home, he would take the place in the bank. He would work, slave, force success. And he would tell dad—dear old dad—that to be a plain, everyday American citizen was good enough for him. And then perhaps some day— His face fairly glorified by its new radiance; he turned to the girl beside him.

"How good you have been!" he exclaimed ardently. "How can I ever thank you? I shall start at once. There is a steamer leaving Cherbourg tomorrow. And—and if you see Ruth"—faltering.

"I shall tell her that she will see you in New York," promised the girl. "Goodby, then," as their hands met in a farewell clasp. "Goodby. And—I am glad."

But as she watched the tall figure cross the wide room, the bored look now quite gone from face and bearing, the girl's smile faded, a sudden wistfulness shadowed her sweet eyes, while her lips quivered.

"And—and I thought that he really cared—for me," she grieved. "Ah," with a sudden expectancy, "is he going to turn? No? Will he not even wave a goodby?"

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