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WHAT IS TO BE DONE?

ORANGE GROWERS IN COUNCIL.

The Industry in a Critical Condition—A Meeting Called in Ocala, February 6th.

The prominent growers at the Ocala house gathering Jan. 23 were Gen. Bullock, Judge W. S. Bullock, M. Gillett, F. C. Buffum, Samuel W. Teague, Major Rooks, Geo. Campbell, Major Magruder, W. P. Haisley and R. L. Anderson.

Gen. Bullock presided and Myron Gillett acted as secretary. There was an expression of views on the serious condition of affairs surrounding the orange industry among the leading ones of Florida and the necessity for prompt and immediate action.

To begin the active agitation of the important subject it was determined to call a meeting of the orange growers of the state in Ocala, Tuesday, February 6th, and an invitation extended to Dudley Adams, of Orange county, to address the gathering.

Judge Bullock and R. L. Anderson were requested to draw up a call asking the co-operation of every orange grower in the state and their presence on the occasion, and that the call be ordered printed in every paper in Florida.

The following committee was appointed to prepare a program and the work to be considered and acted on February 6th, consisting of General and Judge Bullock, Major Rooks, F. C. Buffum and Myron Gillett.

Our readers will please take notice that not only the orange growers of the county and state are cordially invited to be present on February 6th, but all persons interested in that and kindred pursuits. We trust that the attendance will be large, for information not generally disseminated and facts not thoroughly understood by our people will be given a thorough ventilation.

CALL FOR A CONVENTION.

At a large and enthusiastic meeting of the orange and lemon growers of Florida, held in Ocala, January 23, 1904, when the present depressed, distressed and threatened situation of the industry was discussed by prominent and leading growers of the state, the undersigned was authorized to call a convention of the lemon and orange growers of the state, which is hereby done, to meet in Ocala, February 6th, 1904, for the purpose of a more effective organization and the perfecting of such plans as may be deemed expedient and necessary to save the industry.

Distinguished talent will meet with us and we earnestly appeal to the growers of the state to give us their presence, sympathy and co-operation, and meet with us. ROBERT BULLOCK, Chairman.

M. E. GILLET, Secretary.

The following petition is being sent to orange growers for their signatures:

To the Senate of the United States:

The orange and lemon growers of Florida, without regard to party or political affiliations, wish to call your attention to the pressing need for a protective tariff for their fruit. There are at present in our state about 6,000 persons who own orange and lemon groves. We have invested in this industry nearly \$30,000,000, and now produce from three to five million boxes of fruit annually. Our fruit begins to come to market in August and the last shipments are made in April. Thus with Florida and California oranges, the market of the United States can be fully supplied the year round. In cultivating more than 40,000 acres of orange and lemon trees, we give employment to a large labor force, paying for ordinary labor, \$1, and for skilled labor from \$2 to \$3 per day, while our Mediterranean competitor pays but a few cents per day. It costs us to produce, gather, pack and freight a box of oranges to New York nearly \$1.50, while the foreigner can pay the present duty and lay down in New York a box of oranges at a cost of \$1.25. Thus, owing to the great difference in the cost of labor, we are undersold in our own market.

In our effort to dispose of our product, we frequently find our markets very much demoralized through the heavy importation of foreign fruit, and in consequence we are obliged to market our fruit at a loss. With the heavy increased production which must come from both oranges and lemons in Florida, California, New Mexico and Arizona, we can fully supply our own home market, and we believe that it should be preserved to us by placing upon all foreign oranges and lemons a duty of \$1 per box.

We therefore pray your honorable body to give us such provisions in the pending tariff bill as will enable us to overcome the difference in the values of labor between the old country and the new, and preserve our industry from destruction. The extraordinary low price of oranges this season has caused a number of our leading orange growers and those interested in the orange business to study the gravity of the situation in all its bearings and have come to the conclusion, irrespective of party, that the orange industry, being different in many particulars from any other industry in this or other states of the Union, must have support and help from the low priced and long hours of labor and cheap freight of the millions of boxes of imported fruit that reaches our shores annually and in most instances causes the low prices received for domestic fruit. When the difference in conditions are carefully noted it will be seen that

foreign fruit is brought here and sold at a price which gives a profit to the foreign grower, yet at the same figure makes a positive loss to the home grower. It is to overcome these differences and place the orange industry on a fairly profitable basis that the meeting was called.

Florida papers please copy.

Candler Obit-Chat.

To the Editor of the Banner.

Prof. J. M. Chaffer is building a cottage on his lot west of town.

Mrs. Hornbrook and Mrs. Bowles, of Easton, Fla., have been visiting friends here.

Mrs. Mary Benjamin is building a cottage on her orange grove south of town.

Rev. Mr. Stearns is holding a protracted meeting in the Presbyterian church, assisted by Rev. Mr. Van Deventer, of the Methodist church.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith, of Lamar, Mo., arrived Saturday evening on a visit to Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Smith, of this place.

The road from Heather Island to Candler has been completed.

Picking and packing oranges seem to be the order of the day. Frank Moses shipped a car-load Tuesday, and went to his grove across the Ocklawaha river Wednesday to pick his oranges there.

Mrs. Tenney, of Hammock Pond, is visiting relatives here.

A Millions Friends.

A friend in need is a friend indeed, and not less than one million people have found just such a friend in Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption, Coughs, and Colds.—If you have never used this Great Cough Medicine, one trial will convince you that it is a wonderful curative power in all diseases of Throat, Chest and Lungs. Each bottle is guaranteed to do all that is claimed or money refunded. Trial bottles free at J. B. Carlisle Drug Store. Large bottles 50c. and \$1.00.

Paving Their Streets.

Collector Wartmann came down from Citra last evening to aid his son and faithful assistant, Kyle, to rake in the shiekles for state taxes.

Referring to his town he says the city council has struck a rich lead in getting on to the idea of paving their streets, not with rock, gravel, saw-dust or palmetto shucks, but with genuine soft phosphate, which averages way up in the nineties, and is as rich in fertilizing qualities as that used by Mr. Tompkins, which he is mining and selling to his neighbors as a first-class fertilizer.

Well, this soft phosphate is used as street dressing, being put on about four inches deep and twenty feet broad.

The first street to receive this generous and acceptable coating of rich earth is the one leading to the depot west to the piney heights beyond, and the good work will not stop until every important street leading to the prominent groves of the place has been strewn with soft phosphate.

It not only makes the champion road pavement of the country, packing down like cement, and as firm as rock, but at a cost unheard of, only thirteen cents a running foot. Hurrah for Citra and its long level-headed councilman, E. L. Wartmann, who conceived and proposed the work, which is now being so successfully carried out.

The Grip.

An experience with this disease during all its past epidemics, warrants the bold claim that Dr. King's New Discovery will positively cure each and every case if taken in time, and patient takes the ordinary care to avoid exposure. Another thing has been proven, that those who have used Dr. King's New Discovery escape the many troubles after results of this disease. By all means get a bottle and try it. It is guaranteed, and money will be refunded if no good results follow its use. Sold by James B. Carlisle.

A Will Case.

Our readers may remember a very interesting case that came before his honor, Judge Hocker, at the late term of the court which involved a deed and ownership to land.

The parties were from Fort McCoy. The deed was made to Elijah Love, Jr., but the Elijah, Jr., claimed it was intended for him. He lost the case. Since then the senior has died, and the junior will contest the will. The case will come up before Judge Hill in about ten days. It will be interesting matter.

For Sale.

Sixty-five acres of good land, 12 miles from Ocala, 5 acres in orange grove. Will guarantee 250 boxes of oranges this year. Will sell close if sold soon. Also 3 lots in Ocala, by 366 ft. on high ground. To parties wishing to build will sell cheap. Buildings are rapidly extending in direction of lots. For information apply to box 525, Ocala, Fla. 7-21-

CITY MARKET.

Meats, Salt and Fresh Fish of all Kinds and Varieties

Fowl, and Vegetables. As good an assortment for quality and kind and as low prices as can be found in the city. City and country trade invited. Highest cash prices paid for country produce. Call on Geo. COURTNEY, City Mark

IN MEMORIAM.

Mrs. Samantha J. Ogden died January 3rd, 1894.

At a meeting of the Candler Methodist Ladies' Aid Society held January 17th, the following resolutions were adopted:

WHEREAS, God in His divine Providence has seen fit to remove from the scene of this life, and the cares and troubles of this earthly existence, our beloved sister, Samantha J. Ogden, wife of D. B. Ogden, to purer scenes and eternal life with Him above; we feel that this Society has lost an efficient worker; the community a good citizen, and her husband and children a devoted wife and mother.

Resolved, That we bow in humble submission to the Divine will of an all-wise God in this, our great loss, remembering that He doeth all things for the best. That we tender to the bereaved family our heartfelt sympathy in their bereavement.

Resolved, That her name, age and date of death be inscribed in the minute book of this Society on a page reserved for that purpose.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be furnished the family and one to the Ocala Banner for publication.

Mrs. A. D. Moore, Mrs. W. H. DeLong, Mrs. Wm. Wilson, Committee.

Beggs' Little Giant Pills Relieve Headache, Constipation and Indigestion. Try them. Sold and warranted by J. B. Carlisle, Ocala.

Blaine's Handy Manual of Useful Information.

There has just been published in Chicago a most valuable book with the above title, compiled by Prof. Wm. H. Blaine, of Lancaster University. Its 500 pages are full of just what its name implies—useful information—and we fully advise all our readers to send for a copy of it. It is a compendium of things worth knowing, things difficult to remember, and tables of reference of great value to everybody. That it has never before been our good fortune to possess in such compact shape. Our wonder is how it can be published at so low a price as is asked for it. It is handsomely bound in flexible cloth covers, and will be sent to any address, post-paid, on receipt of 25 cents in postage stamps, by the publishers.

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The Honduras Colony.

At the meeting of the "Honduras Immigration and Improvement Colony" lately held, this name and a constitution, and by-laws were adopted. The present officers are: President, S. L. Bittling, vice-president, S. P. Anthony; secretary, R. R. Snowden; assistant secretary, R. M. Williams; treasurer, G. W. Cleveland. Board of directors: G. W. Cleveland, R. M. Williams, R. R. Snowden, S. P. Anthony, S. L. Bittling, J. H. Curry and John H. Mann.

A committee of three members will be sent to Honduras to get all possible information relative to the character of the country and best terms upon which grants of land can be secured and to secure said grants conditioned upon approval by the members after returning and make their report to them.

All this movement is almost entirely spontaneous. There is no "working it up." We invite all desirable persons interested to join us in getting information, as that is the whole import of our work now. So far all information received from different sources is flattering.

Soft Fertilizer.

Mr. Henry Rice, one of the officers of the Standard Phosphate Co., at Kendrick, who make a specialty of preparing soft phosphate for fertilizing purposes, made the Banner a call this morning and said the company is very busy filling orders.

He said last evening's mail brought them orders for 350 tons, which he says is a fair sample of their mail orders daily. The Banner is pleased to hear that soft phosphates are commending themselves to orange and vegetable growers.

Chronic Catarrh Cured.

After suffering severely from chronic catarrh, and almost losing my voice from the effects of the disease, I resorted to Radam's Microbe Killer, and found relief.

MISS CORA MAY, Dowagiac, Mich.

A NEW REAL ESTATE FIRM.

Money in Sight For Investors. Horace P. Eagleton, dealer in all kinds of improved real estate in Marion, Lake and the other counties of the state. Call on or write to HORACE P. EAGLETON, Room Motes Block, Leesburg, Fla. d 11-6

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Steam Well Borers.

The undersigned parties are prepared on short notice to drill all kinds of wells, guarantee their work and time required to complete same. Apply to J. D. ALLEN, Wm. McKay, Orlando, Fla. 9-29-03.

Hand-Made Sour Mash.

I beg leave to announce that I have been appointed by Mr. I. W. Harper, the famous distiller, of Nelson county, Ky., agent for his superb Hand Made Sour Mash Whiskey. This announcement is of importance to every one, for it insures to them the future of the purest, most delicate and celebrated whiskeys in the world, and those who will take the trouble hereafter to demand the "I. W. HARPER WHISKY" need have no fear that its moderate use will injure either health or disposition.

W. J. McGRATH, Ocala, Fla. 9-29-03

Supply the missing word in the following sentence:

In society the all absorbing topic in England during the quarter was the Prince of Wales and the affair.

ONE FOURTH of the subscription receipts of those entering this contest will be divided among those who supply the correct word in the blank in the above sentence. Thus, if there are \$5,000, one-fourth would be \$1,250. If ten supply the correct word each would receive \$125, if 100, each \$12.50, &c.

Both of the above contests free and in addition to two papers for the price of one.

The Weekly Constitution has a circulation of 150,000, and is the people's paper. It favors Tariff Reform, an individual income tax, and the expansion of the currency to a degree sufficient to meet the legitimate business demands of the country.

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Notice of Annual Meeting.

Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Anglo-Florida Phosphate Company has been adjourned to meet at the Ocala House on Wednesday, February 14, 1904 at the hour of seven p. m. for the purpose of electing directors, altering by-laws and transacting such other business as may naturally come before the stockholders' annual meeting, where all stockholders are requested to be present in person or by proxy.

EPHRAIM BANNING, S. M. MEER, President, Secretary.

For Sale at a Bargain.

A six room house with kitchen attached; the house is in good order; one-half acre ground; bearing orange trees, good elms, etc. The house is in Citra, next to the biggest orange groves in the world, which offer good opportunities for labor. Apply at this office.

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The regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the Chicago-Florida Phosphate Company will be held at 12 o'clock noon, Wednesday, February 14th, 1904, at the office of the company in Ocala, Florida, for the transaction of such business as may be presented, and for the election of directors to serve the ensuing year. All stockholders are requested to be present.

H. S. MERRITT, Secretary.

Will Build.

Prof. C. H. Colby has let the contract to build a neat, easy cottage on a lot recently purchased from Mrs. Fov. The lot faces east and joins Mr. Hugh E. Miller's residence on the north. It will cost \$1,500, and Mr. E. H. Likowski will erect it.

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Offers 15,000 one and two year budded orange, lemon and grape fruit trees for sale at prices to suit the times. Call on or address GEO. E. CAMERON, Lake Weir, Fla.

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A farm of 280 acres located on Ocklawaha river, ten miles from Ocala and four miles from Silver Springs, comprising shell and chocolate hammock with first-class productive pine land, high, dry and healthy, natural drainage to river; about 100 acres cleared and well fenced. Nice frame house 30x36x6, 13 stories, ceiling and painted throughout, also dining room, kitchen and pantry, 17x35, packing house, sheds, stables, barn, henry, etc. No. 1 well of water, bearing grove of eight acres. A creek runs through part of the land on which there is a wild orange grove and chalybeate springs. The finest cattle and sheep range in the county adjoins this property. Large crops of corn, oats, rice, sugar-cane, potatoes and cabbage have been grown on it. The timbered portion consists of pine, hickory, white and willow oak, red cedar, magnolia, ash, bay and sweetgum. The above property is now offered at one-half its value. Apply to owner.

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LOOK! READ! LOOK!

Startling News for Everybody.

Stock and fixtures have to go within a very short time and the Model Clothing Co., of Ocala, will shortly be a thing of the past. We have decided to give up business and offer our entire stock of Clothing, Gents' Furnishings, Trunks and Valises at such prices for the next twenty days that will surprise and startle the trade, as we don't care to move the stock, and prefer giving the people the benefit. Everybody knows we have new goods, not shelf worn, moth-eaten, nor have we auction goods. We manufacture our own goods, and can assert that we can save you 50 per cent. and more on all your purchases, as we don't care to take a new lease on our store. An enormous assortment of tailor-made clothing, in cutaways, sack, double-breasted, Prince Albert suits in domestic and foreign fabrics of the latest styles, and are able to suit the most fastidious taste, but to show you that we are determined this stock must be closed we quote a few prices: Suits actually worth and sold everywhere for \$10.00 sell for \$6.75; Dress Suits worth \$14.00 sell for \$8.75; Dress Suits worth \$18.50 only \$7.75; fine Cords and Suits sold everywhere for \$20.00 and \$22.00 go for \$10.00; Pants as low as \$5.00; boy suits worth \$2.50, for only 90 cents; Overcoats, good value for \$10.00, we will sell for \$4.00; Dress shirts for 40 cents, which cost anywhere else \$1.00; latest styles in neckwear of all descriptions. Trunks and Valises must go like everything else in the store and we will make prices that will surprise everybody. We propose to sell all our goods within a very short time; rather sacrifice it in selling cheap than pay freight. No use complaining of hard times when you can buy goods at your own price. This is a chance which only comes once in a life time, but you must come at once, while assortment and sizes are complete. Merchants will do well to call on us and take advantage of this extraordinary big sale, as this stock and fixtures must be positively closed and at once.

Our goods are all marked in plain figures and positively no deviation in prices, only one price for all, and goods warranted as represented or money refunded. Come early and convince yourself that this gigantic sale means what we say.

Parties indebted to us will please call and settle, as we are winding up the business.

MODEL CLOTHING CO.

Under Opera House, Ocala, Fla.

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19 blocks in the city of Ocala, also 720 acres of fine hammock and mixed lands, known as the Jno. E. Williams' plantation. About 400 acres of same cleared and suitable for cultivation of tobacco, sugar cane, corn, oats, etc.; will also make good stock farm. Dwelling of nine rooms, store-house, smoke-house, barn and stables and several fine sites for building, two good springs and good deposit of phosphate. Said lands nine miles south of Ocala and two miles from Santa Station, on F. & P. R. R. Also 86 acres fronting on beautiful Lake Weir; 35 acres cleared and under wire fence; 11 acres in orange grove, 5 acres in bearing. Dwelling and barn on same with front view of five miles. The lake-abundant in fish, the black bass or trout predominating. Fine sailing, etc. For information apply to or address, E. T. WILLIAMS, Box 883, Ocala, Fla.

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