Local and Personal Briefs

Attorney Starke S. Marsh this week purchased through Real Estate Agent A. E. Stebbins the B. C. Graham house and lot on church street, where Mr. Marsh and family have been living for the past year.—Manatee Record.

The grounds at the Aquatic Club are open to all, every day in the week, Sundays included. Boats can be rented, refreshments will be served, and the use of the club house can be obtained by all respectable parties.

Gross & Perkins have purchased 60 acres of timber land near Lake Daugharty from R. T. Shields.

Dreka's annual millinery opening—March 17.

Attorney Bert Fish went to Miami Tuesday on professional business.

City Council meets Monday night.

Brill has new Curios, new Stationery, new Hosiery, Orange Blossoms, Orange wood Souvenir Postal Cards, and lots of other curiosities and useful things.

R. C. Bushnell went to St. Augustine Tuesday to attend the Grand Lodge, Knights of Pythias. Mrs. Bushnell accompanied him, and they spent the week there, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Scanlan.

Attorney Starke S. Marsh of this place and J. Craig Phillips of Tampa have formed a co-partnership for the practice of law, under the firm name of Marsh and Phillips. They have offices in Manatee and Tampa.—Manatee Record.

In honoring Dr. B. F. Camp of this place by electing him president of the Board of Trustees of Stetson University, that inititution is itself honored. Dr. Camp is a business man—and just such a business man as is needed for the head of great and important undertakings.—White Springs Herald.

Candidate James E. Alexander attended a political meeting in Sanford Monday night, delivering an address to the assembled multitudes.

A very pleasant tea was given in the parlors of the Presbyterian church Monday afternoon. The rooms were beautifully decorated, and a neat little sum was taken in for church work.

Miss Jennie Murray of Jacksonville was the guest this week of her neice, Mrs. G. A. Dreka.

Miss Sadie Skinner has resigned her position as cashier in the St. Elmo and returned to St. Augustine, where she is holding her old position on the Evening Record.

After long consideration, Charles L. Smith of Daytona has consented to again offer himself as a candidate for re-election as representative. Mr. Smith, who is the daddy of the sidepath law passed by the Legislature three years ago, has served the county two terms in this capacity, and is well and favorably known at Tallahassee as well as among his own people at home. He is a prominent fraternity man—and a strong candidate.

Fresh oysters every day, at Alcott's.

The annual millinery opening of G. A. Dreka & Co. is always an event of great interest to the ladies of DeLand and surrounding country. This year the opening will take place on St. Patrick's day—March 17. THE NEWS is not allowed to tell of the many fine creations to be shown—but this we may say: The ladies will find them in large quantity, in most excellent quality, and at reasonable prices. There are hats that even your worser-half must admire and the bill for which, contrary to the general rule, will bring smiles to his face. Call at Dreka's on the 17th and Miss Peden and her assistants will tell you the rest of this interesting story.

Marsh Bros.—Phone 68—call us up for anything wanted from a first-class market.

One of the largest meteors which has visited this section in several years was seen Monday night about eight o'clock. Starting from a point about thirty degrees above the eastern horizon, it passed directly overhead and descended nearly to the western horizon, leaving behind it a brilliant trail which lasted several seconds after the meteor had vanished. The aerolite did not explode, so far as could be seen, but faded out as it approached the west.

The most popular phone today is No. 33—which connects the outside world with Agent Powe at the depot. The A. C. L. officials were petitioned by DeLand people to install this phone, and very promptly complied with the request.

Mr. E. B. Solomon left yesterday for his home in Dayton, O., and will spend a few days in Jacksonville and Thomasville en route. Mr. Solomon spent several weeks in DeLand, and passed the time very pleasantly in our balmy sunshine. Mrs. Solomon remains here a few weeks more before returning home.

Candidate Alexander has retired from active canvassing for the present, and is now rusticating on his farm at Winnemissett.

Fishing parties to the lakes north of town are again becoming popular, and many fine strings of perch and black bass are being brought home.

Mrs. Corn, the grand-mother of Mrs. R. P. Moore, had the misfortune on Wednesday afternoon to slip on the hard-wood floor and fall, breaking her hip. As Mrs. Corn is ninety-five years old, it was feared that she would never regain consciousness, but after Dr. Baerecke had set the bone, she came to and was soon resting comfortably. At this writing she is doing as well as can be expected, and if her old age is not too much of a handicap, she will get over the fall and shock.

The Stetson Quartette made a surprise call on Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Solomon Tuesday evening and sang several selections as only they can.

Wanted—five or ten acres land near city limits. Old orange grove no objection. Must be very cheap. Inquire at NEWS office.

The ladies of the First M. E. church will serve supper in the church parlor next Tuesday afternoon from 5 to 7. Supper 25c. Everybody come.

Death of Dr. Porter.

Rev. J. C. Porter died at his home in Ocala the first of the week, after years of suffering from consumption. Mr. Porter was one of the best known and most generally respected Baptist ministers in the state. As owner and editor of the Baptist Witness, he made a success of the paper and increased his acquaintances throughout the state. While a great sufferer from disease, and bed-ridden, the past year of his life was embittered by vile, false attacks made on him by one or two of the state papers. His friends now hope that he is in heaven, where his traducers will never bother him again.

Willis—DeLand.

Jasper N. Willis, well known in DeLand, where he attended Stetson University, and on the coast, where he edited the Seabreeze newspaper, was married in Gainesville last week to Miss Ada DeLand. THE NEWS extends congratulations and best wishes.

Burglary in Daytona.

John Smith, a light complexioned negro, is behind the bars of the Volusia county jail on the charge of stealing $90 worth of clothes from a tailoring establishment in Daytona. John was arrested in St. Johns county, just across the line from Volusia, by Sheriff Turner.

Charged With Embezzlement.

Jim Smith, the negro assistant driver at the DeLand depot, was arrested on Saturday on the charge of embezzling funds belonging to the Standard Oil Company. He is out on bond and will be tried later.

Prisoners at Work.

Six county prisoners, assisted by hired labor, are at work on the Daytona-DeLand road at Tiger Bay, raising the grade and otherwise improving the road.

Bishop Wilson of Baltimore.

On Wednesday evening, the 16th, Bishop Alpheus W. Wilson, D. D., senior acting bishop of the M. E. church, South, is expected to preach in the Southern Methodist church of this city. The pastors and congregations of the various churches of DeLand, together with strangers and friends, are cordially invited to hear him. He has traveled in China, Japan, Corea, Mexico and Brazil, and though a man of great learning, his chief distinction is that he loves to preach the "Gospel of the Kingdom." His present superintendency includes the Florida Annual Conference which was held in December at Lake City. He has recently returned from Cuba.

College Play Postponed.

The College play has been postponed until the 18th inst, to allow more time for rehearsals. This play, "Prince Otto," will be one of the best ever given by University talent, which is saying a good deal.

Failed to Show Up.

The congressional candidates failed to show up in DeLand yesterday, tho' a number of persons came to town to hear them, some from quite a distance. The candidates announce that they will be here on the 21st.

Call up Phone 68 and get your fresh meats delivered at your door. Marsh Bros.

The Stetson Quartette has been engaged to sing at an entertainment in Orange City to-night for the benefit of the Village Improvement Society. Quite a number of young people from DeLand will accompany them to participate in the dance which will follow the entertainment.

Mr. Zack Mitchell of Versailles, Ky., who has been spending the winter at New Smyrna, is the guest of Mrs. E. T. Gross. He is delighted with DeLand and is already much improved in health by his stay here.

Strayed, on February 29, small black cow, brass knobs on horns; small bell attached to chain on neck; ear marks, crop upper and underbit and crop underbit, circle Q and X. Liberal reward for information or her return. H. C. Haven.

A full supper will be served in the annex of the M. E. church next Tuesday from 5 to 7 p.m.; price 25c. All are cordially invited.

Beginning the first of the week, a Pullman sleeper will be run into DeLand every day, and will be taken to the junction every night about 10 o'clock and left there to connect with the night train north.

The Florida State College baseball team will come to DeLand to play Stetson Tuesday afternoon. The Tallahassee school sends out a fine team, and a great game is promised.

Extra copies of this issue will be sent to any address on receipt of 5c in silver or stamps; six copies for 25c.

Mrs. Gross entertained quite a number of friends at her home on New York avenue Tuesday evening at a progressive euchre party. At the end of twenty games the prizes were awarded and delicious refreshments served.

Stetson University Brief News Notes

Miss Edith Merry was the hostess Friday evening at a charming little party given at the Blue Lake club house. As the weather was a little inclement supper was served inside the house, which was made very cheerful by a big fire in the fireplace. After supper the piano and other musical instruments were kept busy, and the room rang with college songs and cheers for the hostess until only two soon the bus arrived to carry the party back to town. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Sears; Misses Ashley, Ingals, Louise and Ivy Brown, Emery, Spaulding; Messrs. Buck, Walker, Oates, Wickersham, Lyons, Cheeseboro and Colton.

Miss Bessie Porter was suddenly called home on Saturday by a telegram announcing the illness of her father. Before she could reach home, however, Mr. Porter had died, having been in a more critical condition than was supposed. Mr. Porter had been ill some time and his friends really did not expect him to get better, yet the blow was no less sudden nor will his loss be less felt. He has been for some time field agent of the university, and in this capacity has done good work in getting students. As students we wish to extend our hearty sympathy to his bereaved family, and to express our appreciation of the good and lasting work Mr. Porter has done in this state.

Miss Caroline Gregg of Cincinnati, who was professor of short-hand here last year, arrived in DeLand on Saturday with her name changed to Mrs. Murray, and with her husband spent Sunday at the College Arms. Mr. Murray is a prominent business man of Daytona, and the newly married couple will make that city their home.

Owing to the fact that the seniors ate too much at the banquet Friday night, and thus were not able to appear Saturday morning, the ball game between the two law classes had to be postponed. Several unkind persons have insinuated that the seniors had no intention of playing and were only bluffing, but we feel that this is doing them an injustice and that they will come out and play even if they have no chance of winning.

Miss Edith Merry was the guest of Miss Catharine Cochran at dinner at the College Arms Sunday evening.

Miss Pearl Spaulding is now a resident of Chaudoin Hall.

The college play, "Prince Otto," for the benefit of the Athletic Association, will be given in the auditorium next Friday night. Those taking part have been rehearsing every day, and from the ability of the performers this number will probably be the best of the course.

Tendencies of the Time.

Personal luxury—vulgar, ostentatious, unaesthetic—is rampant. Our men wear diamonds, sapphires, rubies in their ties, in their sleeve links, in their gold cigarette cases, in their matchboxes. Brutal ostentation is near to being the good form of today. Our women clothe themselves with reckless profusion. Life is murdered in every quarter of the globe to provide them with furs, with feathers, with the hundred and one gewgaws that have come to be considered essential.—Today.

Roman Baths.

Every Roman had the use of the public baths on payment of about half a farthing. These were not such structures as we call public baths, but superb buildings lined with Egyptian granite and Nubian marble. Warm water was poured into the capacious basins through wide mouths of bright and massive silver. The most magnificent baths were those of Caracalla, which had seats of marble for more than 1,000 people, and those of Diocletian, which had seats for 3,000 people.