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OUR OPPORTUNITY MAKE IT GOOD

Leon Should be at the Mid-Winter Exposition.

The most wonderful attraction or show at the World's Fair at St. Louis was Rolitair's creation. It was patronized by many Floridians who visited the Exposition. Mr. Rolitair, the builder of it, will bring to the Jacksonville Mid-Winter Exposition, which opens January 15 and continues for three months, two of the most remarkable illusions ever built, one of which is known as the Flying Automobile. It was a sensation at the Dreamland Park at Coney Island the entire summer past. Mr. Rolitair will build a building 80 by 100 feet in which to install this illusion.

This is an illustration of the character and extent of the Florida Mid-Winter Exposition, inasmuch as when such shows as Rolitair's, Bostock's, Infant Incubators, are brought here, it means that the show people have great confidence in the Exposition and its drawing power.

Among the two score shows that will be seen at the Florida Mid-Winter Exposition, which opens January 15 in Jacksonville, Bostock's Wild Animal Show ranks above all.

The Bostock Wild Animal Importing Company has had animal shows at all the great expositions of the world. No show was more popular at the Pan-American than Bostock's. For three years in Paris the name of Bostock was on every tongue. His Parisian Wild Animal Arena was remarkable in every way. He has brought his entire collection of animals to Dixieland Park, adjoining the Exposition, and which will be a part of the Exposition for the winter. Over thirty animal acts, four hundred wild animals, an arena 75x150 beautifully lighted and seated will prove an attraction equal to that of any other exposition in the world. This is an illustration of the character of shows that will help make the Mid-Winter Exposition a grand success.

The Infant Incubator institutions at every big exposition in America since the Buffalo Pan-American have been patronized by thousands of visitors. It is the most wonderful exhibit of care and culture of children ever known. In they incubators rest the little babes, and they are carried to life, health and vigor by the tender, loving care of trained nurses and doctors in charge of these incubators. It is a humane exhibit that appeals to all true men and women. The infant incubator is a beautiful structure, and there is a professional lecturer who explains all the care of the little ones.

The bringing to Jacksonville of such great attractions as the Infant Incubators, Rolitair's Illusions, Streets of Cairo, Bostock's Trained Animal Arena, Fair Japan, The German Village, and a score of other well-known exposition shows, stamps the Florida Mid-Winter Exposition as equal in every way to those that have preceded it in the years past throughout the country. The Midway shows alone will be worth traveling to Jacksonville for, if for nothing else.

Of course the prime object of the Exposition is the showing of products of the State of Florida. This will be arranged by means of exhibits made by the enterprising counties and cities of the State.

Very wisely, the price of admission has been placed at 25 cents. The railroads will run the lowest rate known in the tourist season for the past ten years in Florida. Everything points to the great success of the Jacksonville Exposition.

During the Florida Mid-Winter Exposition, which opens in Jacksonville January 15, the management has provided special events and days as per attached list. These days will be given over in charge of committees, and every effort will be made to make them profitable, entertaining and educational. Various counties have special days, and the railroads have made the low rate of one fare plus 25 cents for the round trip, with virtually a three-day limit.

Mr. Charles E. Jones, chairman of the committee on hotels and accommodations, is preparing a tabulated list alphabetically arranged, places where visitors can get room and board, and prices charged for same. Commencing January 15, a Bureau of Information will be opened on Bay Street for this purpose. The Exposition will open at 10 a. m., and remain open until 11:30 at night. It is directly opposite Jacksonville, in South Jacksonville, and the grounds can be seen from any part of the metropolis. There is no doubt as to the success of the Exposition, and attractions will be of unusual character.

Next week the True Democrat will public a program of the special days and events for the full time of the Great Florida Mid-Winter Exposition. Let Leon County get busy to make a proper showing up there.

Broward for Senator.

The Tampa Tribune hears that "positive" Governor Broward will be a candidate before the primaries of next spring for the great office of United States Senator.

This will hardly be news, if true, although it may be important. The richness of the suggestion is in the idea that Broward will submit to a primary.

He will have to do so to get the nomination, of course.

But, now, really, what a fine time he will have in explaining to the Florida voters the quality of nerve which permits him to violate the primary laws himself, and then appeal to the same law to secure the honor.

Just supposing that he should receive a majority of the votes cast in the primary, and the legislature should refuse to be bound by the action of the primary.

Would he howl? Well, rather. It might be well for the prospective candidate to watch the vote that he will not get in Dade county, if he ventures to run. — Miami Record.

BOARD OF TRADE MEETING.

The Tallahassee Board of Trade will hold a regular meeting at Elks' Hall on Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock, at which time there will be important business taken up, discussed and acted upon and the election of officers. A full attendance of the membership is earnestly desired and all citizens and business men are invited to attend and become members of the Board.

NOTICE!

To the Citizens of Tallahassee: Whereas, The Capital City Light and Fuel Company has agreed to give a discount of 25 per cent. on the accounts of its customers for gas consumed during the months of November and December, 1907, and whereas, the City Council of Tallahassee are of the opinion that a discount of 50 per cent. should be allowed for such period; You are, therefore, respectfully requested not to pay your gas bills for the above months, until further notice from the undersigned.

A. C. SPILLER,
President City Council.
G. E. LEWIS,
Member of City Council.
JOS. A. EDMONDSON,
City Attorney.
Special Committee.
December 31, 1907—45-1t

Rat in Bed with Bridesmaids.

A Port Jarvis, New York, dispatch of 21st, gives out the following amusing account of the fun a rat had with some bridesmaids:

Miss Bessie Bontree, who, with the Misses Agnes Haggerty and Frances Williams, were bridesmaids at the wedding of a Miss Metzger, near Lackawaxen, Pa., Wednesday night, had what she describes as an "awful experience" with a rat, which invaded the bed in which the girls slept.

After the wedding it was found the last train had gone, and they were forced to stay all night at the home of the bride. They were assigned to the "spare room," which contained a big, old-fashioned bed. After they had placed bits of wedding cake beneath their pillows they went to sleep.

About midnight one of the young women, awakened by the noise, aroused the others. It seemed to them that some one was trying to enter the room.

Miss Bessie arose from bed and lighted a tallow dip and saw a rat run across the bed in which she and her companions had been sleeping. The rat jumped upon the washstand and commenced to eat a piece of wedding cake which it had filched from beneath one of the pillows.

Miss Bessie hopped back into bed, and the three frightened young women consulted as to the best course to pursue.

"I'll tell you what to do," said Miss Haggerty. "I'll get a cup of water from the pitcher, you open the door, and maybe when the rat is wet it will run out of the room."

This was done, and when the rat was doused with water it began to scamper about the room, and then the girls with screams of fright, leaped back in bed again, covering their heads.

The commotion awakened the household, and Mr. Metzger and his wife, followed by the family's fox terrier, rushed into the room to discover the cause of the commotion. The dog spied the rat and gave chase.

A circuit of the bed room was made, then the rat jumped on the bed and there the terrier caught it. The rat squeaked, the terrier growled, and the girls screamed in terror.

The dog and the rat landed on the floor, where, with a few shakes, the terrier killed the rodent. The young women have not ceased trembling yet.

The Price of Peace.

The terrible itching and smarting, incident to certain skin diseases, is almost instantly allayed by applying Chamberlain's Salve. Price 25 cents. For sale by Tallahassee Drug Co.

Subscribe to your home newspaper.

OUR VERY YOUNG U. S. SENATOR.

"Native Born and of State's Own Soil."

The St. Augustine Record and the Live Oak Democrat has the following, on the young Floridian, whom Governor Napoleon B. Broward last week turned into a United States Senator:

Not every State can claim a Senator native born and of its own soil; our State is to be congratulated that her Governor has found such an one for a seat in the Federal Council Chamber of this nation, and all of us are glad that this is so.

Some very valuable qualities can come to a Senator only by service; in a young Senator there is always an opportunity that a State may have years of such service as only special fitness joined to this particular fitness can give — Florida has now the man and before him stretches the opportunity. It is possible that our new Senator has half a century of service before him and long before that time has elapsed his native abilities, his acquired fitness and the people's knowledge of him may place his name high on the scroll carrying the record for those who make history.

Senator Bryan sees his opportunity and knows himself equal to it when he tells us:

"I wish the untaged and untried Democracy to know that I am going to devote every power and energy of body, mind and soul to making them the best Senator any State ever had."

If there be a tagged or terrified Democracy in Florida, it has no part or parcel in Senator Bryan, but it will be pleased to know without a shadow of doubt that Florida is now to have a Senator equal to Webster, to Clay, to Calhoun, to Andrew Jackson; if so of course equal to Chatham, to Gladstone, to Cicero and Demosthenes. On an occasion somewhat similar, the divine Portia consecrates herself to her husband as Senator Bryan gives himself to the people of Florida but in a somewhat different spirit for she said she was "unlessoned, unschooled, unpracticed."

"Happy in this she is not yet so old, But she may turn; happier than this, She is not bred so dull but she can learn, Happiest of all, is, that her gentle spirit Commits itself to yours to be directed."

Nothing of the Florida spirit in our new Senator — rather, we opine, will he direct us than we direct him. Let it be so. Not even the whole Democracy of Florida could desire to "direct" him who is to become the "best Senator any State ever had" — a description inconsistent with anything less than true greatness and towering ability.

We congratulate our new Senator and we congratulate Florida. Long may both live to show the world the best and the greatest Senator till the lapse of years smoothes away all prejudices and gives to America the best and the greatest President possible — to the world the model of all executives. — St. Augustine Record.

It remained for our brilliant young friend, William J. Bryan, of Jacksonville, to achieve the unique distinction of getting as a Christmas gift a seat in the United States Senate, tendered him by his loyal friend, Napoleon Bonaparte Broward, Governor of Florida. We have no objection to make and we offer our hearty congratulations to the lucky young man, who will no doubt keep his head and do himself and his State credit while he remains in the Senate Chamber. But we beg him to remember that the great office to which he has been appointed is the property of the people of Florida, and they haven't yet made him a present of it, nor even intimated that they intended to do so. He holds it merely for the time being by virtue of a law which makes it the duty of the Governor to temporarily fill the vacancy caused by the death of Senator Mallory, and, as was right and proper, that official has bestowed the brief honor upon a capable and worthy friend to whom he was heavily indebted for his own political success. But there is a number of other eminent citizens of Florida who want the office, and they want it badly, and they have said so plainly. Their claims, from any and every point of view, are quite as valid as those of Mr. Bryan, and the latter gentleman will have to get out of that elegant seat in the Senate Chamber, come back to the hammocks of Florida and put up such a night as he never yet dreamed of before he can call himself a United States Senator with a title from the people. The men who will oppose him for that office are not quitters and they understand perfectly well that the action of Governor Broward has not given Mr. Bryan even a color of title to the place for the elective term, and has only put him in to supply a temporary vacancy. His Senatorial spurs are yet to be won. — Live Oak Democrat.

In his appointment of W. J. Bryan as United States Senator, Governor Broward has done what a great many

General Ellis Announces

Attorney General William H. Ellis will be a candidate to succeed himself in the next primaries. Mr. Ellis has made a good record, carrying into the office indomitable energy as well as a thorough knowledge of the law. There should be no partisan politics in the office of attorney general and Mr. Ellis has permitted none during his term of office. He has been fair, impartial, yet active in all the cases that have required his attention, and the interests of the state have been well protected by him.

There is no talk of any opposition to Mr. Ellis's reelection and the indications are that the Democrats of Florida are so well pleased with the services he has rendered that they are content to let him serve another term.

Mr. Ellis is a young man of pleasing personality. His friends throughout the state have already begun an active campaign in his behalf, despite the fact that he has no opposition, and they are urging the voters to show their appreciation of efficient work by giving him their united support. — Times-Union.

In compliance with Section 2719 of the General Statutes of Florida, the following Statement of the Condition of the State Savings Bank of Tallahassee, Florida, at the close of business, December 31st, 1907, is published in the Weekly True Democrat, a newspaper published in the City of Tallahassee, County of Leon, Florida:

RESOURCES.	
Cash on hand	\$ 32,000 00
Due from National Banks	38,570 11
Loans and Discounts	329,056 18
Bonds, County and Railroad	23,000 00
Real Estate	8,694 17
Over Drafts	10 76
Total	\$ 422,331 21
LIABILITIES.	
Capital Stock paid in	\$ 20,000 00
Surplus	10,000 00
Undivided Profits	16,781 89
Deposits	375,549 32
Total	\$ 422,331 21

I, B. C. Whitfield, Cashier of the above named Bank, do solemnly swear that the above Statement is true, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
B. C. WHITFIELD, Cashier.

STATE OF FLORIDA,
County of Leon.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 2d day of January, 1908.

W. S. QUARTERMAN,
Notary Public.

Seaboard Changes Schedule.

Of the service coming West and leading to New Orleans. The following will be of interest to Tallahasseeans.

The Seaboard will continue to operate, daily, through sleeping car service between Jacksonville and New Orleans, leaving Jacksonville at 7:50 a. m., and arriving at Jacksonville at 7:40 p. m.

With this change of schedule Seaboard train No. 79 for Tallahassee, Pensacola and intermediate points, will leave Jacksonville at 4:45 p. m., instead of 4 p. m., as at present.

The management of the Seaboard is anticipating a heavy winter travel to Florida, and have arranged one of the fullest and most complete services ever inaugurated by them or any other competing line to and between Florida points.

The regular monthly meeting of the Woman's Home Mission Society will be held at the parsonage next Tuesday, January 7th, 1908, at 3:30 p. m. Will have the mite box opening at this meeting. Members will please bring their mite boxes; meet promptly at the appointed hour.

The regular meeting of Thomas B. Lamar Camp Confederate Veterans, will be held next Wednesday and a full attendance is desired.

people thought he would do, but which, at the same time, the Tribune can see no reason for. Nor does it think the action consonant with the best interests of Florida. Mr. Bryan is a good looking and well spoken young gentleman, but just on what occasions he has ever shown his ability to fill a seat in the wisest and most dignified representative body in the world, we confess quite puzzle us. For a young man to step from an insignificant county solicitorship into the robes of a Federal Senator is as astounding as it is unparalleled in the history of the United States, so far as our recollection serves. If Mr. Bryan has given any symptoms of being worthy of this distinction, we are utterly at a loss to know it — it must be a weighty secret hid in the Governor's brain.

Both Mr. Lamar and Mr. Fletcher, each of whom is a candidate for the office, are men of more recognized ability than Mr. Bryan. Mr. Lamar, besides, has been well schooled in the lower house of the national legislature. And both of these gentlemen have been friends of the Governor for years. Then why should he have turned them both down to select their political inferior for so exalted and important an office? Verily, the ways of the politician are deep and cavernous and by no means guided, as a rule, by the high sense of duty to the people in the administration of their offices.

Florida is a developing state that needs men of brain and force of character in Washington to look after its interests, and these interests are imperiled by just such ill-judged performances as this most recent one by the Governor. — Tampa Tribune.

REV. DR. CARTER PASSED AWAY

The Rector of St. John's Was Buried on Tuesday, the 31st.

On Saturday morning, the 28th inst., at 1:15 o'clock, the aged Dr. W. H. Carter, Rector of St. John's Episcopal Church in this city, passed over into the Great Beyond. Quietly, and without suffering, he fell asleep, welcoming the approaching transition as a passage into a life far higher and more joyous than any he could hope to know here.

Dr. Carter was born in Brooklyn, N. Y., on the 27th day of October, 1829. His collegiate education was received at Yale University, and the earlier years of his ministry were spent in the North, but since June, 1879, he has been in charge of the church in Tallahassee. He was a man of brilliant intellect and earnest thought, and stood in the foremost rank of the Florida clergy. He held the important post of Arch-Deacon of Northern Florida for many years, and frequently represented Florida in the General Conventions of his church. His sermons, always beautifully and forcefully written, held, as their dominant thought, love and charity for all men.

During his long pastorate here of 28 years, Dr. Carter's life was an object lesson of cheerful and patient serenity. Full of energy and possessed of a marvellous will-power he seldom allowed his physical condition, which was often very feeble, to interfere with the performance of his clerical duties, and his wish was that death might find him "in harness." In the midst of their grief his people are glad that he had his desire not to be laid aside as useless. His illness was practically painless, and only of about ten days' duration, his last appearance at a public service being on Sunday, the 15th inst. Of him it might have been written: "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord; that they may rest from their labors; and their works do follow them."

For three days, within the chancel, and facing the altar before which he had for so many years served as a "priest to the most High God," the quiet body lay in dreamless sleep. Scores of his sorrowing people went to bid him a last farewell, and left comforted because of the look of perfect peace which their loved pastor wore.

On Tuesday evening they laid him away in the Episcopal Cemetery, after the usual service at the church. Bishop Weed conducted the service, and the choir sang several of the old hymns that the Doctor had once loved. "Asleep in Jesus," "Nearer My God to Thee" and "The Son of God Goes Forth to War" were the numbers chosen for the church service, and others, equally appropriate and beautiful, were sung at the grave.

Dr. Carter's daughter, Mrs. Harris, of Daytona, and his two sons, Wm. W. and Arthur H. Carter, were present at his burial. Mrs. Harris was also with him a week before his death.

The pall-bearers were: Of the Masons—Messrs. H. O. Wood, R. W. Cobb, B. C. Bondurant, J. C. Luning, W. N. Sheats and Alec H. Williams. Of the Church Vestry—Messrs. J. B. Whitfield, L. A. Perkins, C. B. Gwynn, W. H. Markham, W. O. Ames, Charles Munroe, D. B. Meginni s and T. H. Randolph.

Undertaker W. D. Pratorious had charge of the funeral arrangements.

Christian Science Institute.

A dispatch from Boston on December 25th gives out the following:

A Christian Science Institution, to cost at least \$1,000,000, and to be devoted especially to helping the poor, is the latest project of the Christian Science movement, as announced through the Christian Science Sentinel, the weekly organ of the denomination.

On December 14th Mrs. Eddy wrote to Archibald McLellan, editor of the publication:

"I desire to commence immediately to found a Christian Science Institution for the special benefit of the poor and the general good of all mankind. The founding and endowment of this institution will cost at least \$1,000,000. Please come to me at your earliest opportunity and I will give you further details."

In obedience to the summons Mr. McLellan went to Concord, N. H., Mrs. Eddy's home.

Leaders of the church in this city say they know nothing of the details. One of them suggested that Mrs. Eddy probably has in mind an institution something like the Associated Charities.

George W. Child is now occupying his handsome and comfortable cottage on North Monroe street.

Frederick Hocker, who attends the Donald Fraser school at Decatur, Ga., is at Tallahassee to spend Christmas with his father, Judge William Hocker. He will spend a few days of this vacation in this city as the guest of Norton Davis. — Ocala Banner.

WANTED! By an honest, intelligent, industrious young man, at once, any kind of honorable work. Am willing to work. Address willing, care True Democrat. 45-1t