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AMONG THE EXCHANGES.

THE CREAM OF THEM SKIMMED BY THE "SCISSORS EDITOR."

Waterworks at Seaford—Letter Boxes in Preston—Night School in Dover—A Novel Tandem—Sporting Note.

Rising Sun Midland Journal.

Senator Crothers will introduce a bill in the Legislature prohibiting the shooting of wild fowl on the Elk river from sink boats or bush-whack boats and to enact a law permitting the shooting of wild fowl on Elk and Bohemia rivers by residents of Cecil county on certain days of each week from Nov. 1 to March 31, provided they secure a license from the Clerk of the Circuit Court.

Dover Delewarian.

A number of our young men and boys, being unable to attend the day school, have employed Dr. E. C. Daly, the principal, to give them the advantage of a night school; it is well attended.

Bel Air Times.

An organization of the Peach Bottom roofing slate manufacturers has been effected, under the name of the Peach Bottom Slate Producers' Association, with officers as follows, viz: President, Howard Proctor: Secretary, John W. Jones; Treasurer, R. L. Jones.

Snow Hill Democratic Messenger.

The Snow Hill Fire Department realized $17 net profits from the entertainment given by Prof. Ridan at Purnell's Hall last Saturday night. While the amount is small it is appreciated by the boys and will help them in providing the necessaries they have thus far inconveniently done without.

Havre de Grace Dem. Ledger.

A "bicycle," with four wheels has made its appearance on the Maryland division of the Pennsylvania railroad. The machine weighs 75 pounds, and is made to accomodate two men and their luggage. The machine moves along noiselessly, as the wheels are covered with rubber.

Middletown Transcript.

Two gentlemen representing Philadelphia capitalists have been in Seaford seeking information from council and laying plans before them for the establishment of a water works plant there- They propose to put in the plant themselves providing the town will give them the privilege of tearing up the streets.

Pocomoke City Ledger Enterprise.

Capt. H. A. DeKay last Tuesday week was granted a patent on the hat box which he invented and is now manufacturing in this city. Captain says he was to two years in perfecting this invention which he has just succeeded in protecting by law.

Dorchester Standard.

The State Eiremen's Association now numbers twenty-seven companies and departments. President W. Irving Mace, of Cambridge, and Secretary John J. Jump, of Cumberland will make a tour of the Eastern Shore and expect to enroll several companies as members. The Legislative committee of the association will meet soon and prepare a bill asking for a State appropriation for beneficial purposes, each year's balance to go to a fund to provide a home for aged and disabled firemen.

Evening Capital.

A prize of $100, with a gold medal, offered by the United States Naval Institute for the best essay presented on any subject pertaining to the naval profession, will be awarded as soon as Assistant Naval Constructor R. P. Hobson, one of the board of control, returns to the Naval Academy. There are several competitors. In addition to the prize the successful competitor will be made a life member of the Institute.

New Castle News.

Mrs. Challenger, secretary of the local branch of the W. C. T. U. states that she has received two hundred copies of the Bible from the Bible Institute Colpartage Association for distribution at the jail.

Every Evening.

The dredge Phoenix of the Charles Warner Co's fleet, which has been at work digging, sank on Goose Neck bar in the Delaware River, and the Delaware Construction Co's dredge Vim were towed to the wharves of the Pusey & Jones Co. Saturday morning for repairs.

Saunders C. Dillon, who is now in the West, has written his father of his experience in riding his wheel from Denver, Col., to Los Angeles, Cal. The letter which was dated on Monday last, stated that he had ridden 48 miles on that day, and 23 miles were through snow from one to four inches deep.

Smyrna Call.

Shortly after 4 o'clock Tuesday morning fire was discovered in the rear of Boyce & Co's. store, in Cheswold. A strong northwest wind was blowing and the flames spread to the dwellings of A. I. Dische and F. F. Moore, also to Mr. Dische's meat shambles.

It was soon evident that the store and dwellings were doomed, and the citizens turned their attention to the large store of W. F. Collins, one of the largest in the town. Only a narrow space separated this commodious building from those now blazing fiercely and the fight to save it was a hard one. Had it been lost, half of the town would have been burned.

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IN BALMY FLORIDA.

GAZETTE'S CORRESPONDENT IN THE LAND OF FLOWERS.

Some Tall Fish Stories—Cattle Exporters in Luck—A Great Hotel—The Grape May Supplant the Orange.

To the Editor of the Gazette:

ONE hundred and ten miles to the south of Tampa I find myself on this hot day in December, in Lee county in South Florida. A bustling city on the banks of the Caloosahatchee river, the outlet of Lake Okeechobee. This is the headquarters for the tarpon fishers and wonderful have the catches been of the "Silver Kings" of the deep. A minister must proceed with caution in repeating fish stories, but many tarpons weighing from 100 to 205 pounds have been caught here, a few fish weighing 300 to 400 pounds. Sawfish have been hooked in the river here 18 miles above the Gulf, weighing 500 pounds, one of 660 pounds quite a fish to land.

The trip from Punta Gorda to this point is very delightful Sailing along the coast inside the reefs, with Pine Island to the left, we pass many beautiful islands where curlews, pelicans, crane and egret nest. Vast schools of fish fin the bay, on them the sharks and porpoise were feeding and the busy fishermen were drying their nets on the white sands. We touched successively at St. James city, Sanibel Isle, where vegetables are now being shipped to New York. One hundred thousand crates of tomatoes are expected; Punta Rassa, where 10,000 cattle have been shipped this year to feed Havana. Vast herds of cattle roam through the Everglades. The price has now advanced and fortunes are being made by the exporters. Thence 18 miles up the Caloosahatchee to this city.

Mr, Hugh O'Neil, the great dry goods merchant of New York, has built a mammoth hotel, which is now open. Embowered in orange groves overlooking the river, it is an ideal site and will be a popular house. The railroad will be extended from Punta Gorda, 25 miles; at present connection is made by boat and daily stage.

Back of Ft. Myers is the ideal hunting ground in the vast Everglade country; wild turkey and deer abound. Birds of endless variety, the wild cat and panther. Here, too, is the home of the Seminole Indian, who, clad in native dress, roams unmolested through the vast domain.

The population is creeping farther and farther up the river, and many are coming in from the north, settling as far inland as Fort Thompson. Near here is Kore Shan, a commune of the socialistic colony of Tead. With all his pretentions he is regarded as an imposter. His cruel treatment of his people has alienated them and caused many to leave. Beautiful are the yards and the well-kept grounds surrounding the homes of this far southern city.

To-day with doors and windows open and a temperature of 78, I look out on orange trees through whose deep green peeps the golden fruit. Great mango and aguacada trees. Roses bloom in profusion; lilies of varied hue. The red hybisens and the yellow alamanda. I walk under the royal ponciana and the date palm with the feathery fronds. The cocoanut and banana trees abound, the latter holding out great clusters of ripening fruits. The tamarind and and paw paw wave in the breeze. The guava and grape fruit grow in abundance.

Marvelous stories are told of the latter, now more popular than the orange. A resident showed me a tree with a bud of one year on which $10 worth of fruit grew this year. Another made a profit of $300 from the fruit of six trees.

The price of real estate has advanced here, there is much business stir and many mechanics have come from distant places. A lofty date palm, planted by General Hancock when in command here, lifts its graceful head on one of the main avenues. The choicest of pineapples and sugar cane are raised here. The former have netted from $600 to $800 an acre. "It is as easy to pick and apple as a crab." Here grows the giant bamboo the useful cassara and the sisal hemp. Lemons are abundant. Two crops of Irish potatoes are raised in one year.

Truck farming is a great industry here. Egg plants, cucumbers, beans, peas, squashes, onions, beets, lettuce, radishes and celery, are sent in midwinter to Northern market.

The southern end of Florida has practically the climate of Cuba. Hence what grows in Cuba can be raised here at home in peace under our dear old flag. Here is the beautiful winter home of Thomas A. Edison, the electrician. An electric plant is about to be introduced. The United States census of 1890 officially established the fact that Lee county, supposed to be a reeking swamp, was the healthiest county in the United States.

Have spoken almost daily in one of the churches here.

Wonderful are the climate and resources of Florida. Greetings to friends.

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Washington Intelligence.

President McKinley's Cuban policy has not been changed one iota by the democratic hubbub in the House last week. He stands now just where he has stood from the beginning, and when he makes a move it will be because of happenings in Cuba and not because of howling among democrats. For weeks this government has been ready to move at the proper time—when it shall in the eyes of the civilized world be justified in moving to bring about peace in Cuba. It will not delay because of lying Spanish news from Cuba any more than it will hurry because of democratic ranting. The republicans in Congress are supporting this policy solidly and are likely to continue to do so, notwithstanding democratic prophecy to the contrary.

The republicans of the House are as solidly behind the administration on the Hawaiian question as upon the Cuban question. This was shown when Chairman Hitt, of the Committee on Foreign Affairs, moved to table a resolution calling upon the President for his authority for negotiating a treaty for the annexation of Hawaii in which it is agreed to pay the Hawaiian public debt of $4,000,000 out of the U. S. Treasury. The democrats tried their best to prevent the resolution being laid on the table, but Mr. Hitt's motion was supported by the republicans and was carried. There are no new developments in connection with the consideration of the annexation treaty by the Senate.

It is Mr. Justice McKenna now, the late Attorney General's nomination to the bench of the Supreme Court having been confirmed by the Senate without a roll call. Gov. Griggs, of New Jersey, who will, as soon as his nomination is confirmed by the Senate, assume the portfolio of Attorney General in the Cabinet, has been extending his already large acquaintance among public men during a visit to Washington; consequently the President is receiving more praise than ever for the selection of so able a man as Gov. Griggs to succeed Justice McKenna.

Representative Dalzell, of Pa., hit the Southern democrats who are trying to get a bill appropriating $288,000 to cover alleged damages in consequence of the war to the BookPublishing Company of the Southern Methodist Church substituted for the Senate bill giving that Company the right to refer its claims to the Court of Claims, a heavy blow when he recalled to their memories that an unanswerable report had been made against their claims twenty-five years ago, when they were before the House, by a sub committee composed of Secretary Wilson, of the Department of Agriculture, republican, and Hon. W. R. Morrison, democrat, both then members of the House. Mr. Dalzell said the claim was at that time thrown out as unworthy of the attention of patriotic representatives, sent to Washington not to loot but to guard the Treasury.

There is some misapprehension even in Congress of the nature of the old Stanley Matthews resolution, expressing the opinion that the government has the option of paying its bonds in silver, which was recently re-offered by Senator Teller, and which is now under consideration, and will this week be adobted by the silver majority in the Senate, and there is probably much more throughout the country. It is now, just as it was twenty years ago, when it was adopted by both branches of Congress, merely a concurrent resolution, not requiring the President's signature and not binding upon anybody, even when adopted by both Senate and House. In fact, such resolutions are nothing more than the opinions of those who vote for them. It will be remembered that Mr. Cleveland ignored one or two resolutions of this nature, declaring the opinion of Congress as to what he should do on the Cuban question. In this case the resolution will not get far enough to need ignoring, as, owing to its failure to be acted upon by the House, it will never be officially brought to the attention of President McKinley.

It is understood that the President has decided upon what modifications of the civil service rules he will make, and the order may be issued any day. The modification, according to this information, is along the lines of the recommendations made in the recent communications of members of the Cabinet to the Senate.

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Office of Secretary of State.

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The Governor will take up said case for final decision on or after Monday, the 7th day of February, 1898, until which time protests against such pardon will be heard, and the papers filed open to inspection, at the discretion of the Governor.

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