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## RANDOM SHOTS IN THE SOUTH.

### The Gateway to Florida—Reckless Waste of Pine Timber—The Beautiful St. Johns River.

No. 4.

We ride for miles through forests of pine nearly all of which has been tapped for turpentine and then left to die either from fire or decay. It is simply a reckless waste and the owners will realizet his fact when it is too late. Turpentine by the barrel is to be seen on all sides and trees are regarded as useful only in proportion to their yield of the resinous substance.

It was while passing through Georgia that we met a gentleman from Connecticut who was journeying to the South to look after ten acres of oranges for which he had paid $10,000 and on which he had erected a home costing as much. He cordially invited us to visit him but we had to decline because his home lay too far inland and because he wanted us to "campout," cook for ourselves, etc. It was about this time, too, that Lewin had met Miss Lida, a fair young lady in red from northern Pennsylvania whose route lay in another direction—the same that we had chosen!

We enter Jacksonville about dusk on Saturday and are surprised at the get-up and hustle of the people. It was a veritable Broadway or Lexington street, the difference being in the color of the shoppers—colored. It is a lively city that is an agreeable combination of the enterprise usually associated with the North, and of the Southern type of people. It reminded us very much of High street on a Saturday night and the merchants, most of them from the North, were doing a thriving business. The merry-go-round was busy as usual, and various shows in the open air drawing crowds.

It was a sad scene that greeted our eyes when we awoke Sunday morning, for we saw the havoc that had been wrought by the great conflagration of but ten months before. Twenty-five hundred buildings were razed to the ground, but already the town is rising finer than before, and though its wealth of live oaks and palms and the Southern foliage that was through almost all its street has been sadly reduced, there is promise of a revival of this feature of the city's attractiveness. There have been up to this time 1700 permits to rebuild and the new buildings are far superior to the burned ones. The citizens are making some interesting experiments in moving larger trees from the forests, and promise a better shade. We ask an old colored man where we will find a church and to our inquiry the good old fellow replied: "There's a shack over there and another one is around the corner. You know boss the fire played smash with churches and de white people has to worship in whot we call shacks." We followed his directions and soon found a "shack" that occupied the site of the handsome Trinity M. E. church. The good-sized congregation were seated camp-meeting style while the choir and preacher occupied the stage. We were glad to learn that a large sum was in hand to rebuild. The ladies wore summer dresses and a fan and umbrella became necessary.

The ostrich farm here, which we visited, is a new enterprise of the South, and its pretty fields with the great ungainly birds stalking about their pens. As we have heretofore written at length of the California ostrich we will not dwell upon the Florida bird. The owner of the Southern farm, however, has a bird which he harnesses to a sulky and which can trot a mile in less than three minutes.

We cannot close this letter without mentioning our visit to "Riverside," the home of Rev. J. E. Wilson, formerly of Chesterville. We found the popular pastor and two healthy boys occupying a cozy home in this delightful suburb or part of Jacksonville, and adjoining to his elegant church. He is in a fine locality and there was every evidence of success and thrift. He did not hesitate, however, to say that he longed very often for old Kent and was even then planning a vacation trip to us. His church had granted him a vacation of a month which he expected to spend in Kent and elsewhere in the North. He expressed his pleasure in reading the NEWS and evidently read carefully the Chesterville items for we found him well posted.

Next week we hope to carry our readers up the St. John's river to Palatka.

F. G. U.


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**Wanted to Get Home.**—Last week officer Hudson received this telegram from the police department of Cumberland, "Is Walter Bantam wanted for getting clothes from T. S. Bordley under false pretenses?" Mr. Hudson consulted Mr. Bordley who stated that while Walter owed him for clothes, he could not say that he had gotten them under false pretenses. Therefore Mr. Hudson replied. "no." Next came a letter from Bantam to officer Cooper begging the officer to send a summons there for him as he would be of use in convicting the parties who stole chairs from cashiers Russell and Copper. This plea to get home failed to receive any answer from officer Cooper, and Walter was left among the hills of Western Maryland. The Chestertown native upon receipt of this answer saw no chance of getting back home on a writ, therefore started on his own account, and by some means reached home last week. It was surely a novel way he had of trying to get back to town.

**Thief Shot.**— Special from Elkton dated Sunday, April 20th says: For several months past the farmers of the First district of this county have been greatly annoyed by chicken thieves. Many of the farmers have been trying to catch the intruders. Henry Boulden, a prosperous farmer, residing near Cecilton, was successful this morning about 4 o'clock. He heard a noise in his roost and got his double-barreled shot gun and hastily started in the direction of his henhouse. When he was within about 30 yards of it he saw a negro coming out carrying several chickens, and without waiting, he fired part of the load, it taking effect in the man's body. The negro started to run when the farmer fired the second time. This time most of the load struck the fleeing man in the back and legs and he fell to the ground. Farmer Boulden brought the thief to the Elkton jail this afternoon, and Dr. John H. Jamar picked the shot from the wounded man, who proved to be Marshall Francis. Francis formerly worked for Boulden, and was on the farm early last evening, and Mr. Boulden drove him off the place. Later he returned, and was driven off the second time.


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COMMISSIONERS' NOTICE.

OFFICE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS for KENT COUNTY, APRIL 15th, 1902.

Notice is hereby given to the taxpayers of Kent county that the County Commissioners will sit at their office in the Court House Chestertown, on Tuesday April 22nd, 1902, and every Tuesday thereafter until the 20th of May for the purpose of hearing and granting appeals for transfers and releases of taxable property, and for the transaction of other public business. On and after May 20th, no transfer or releases will be granted from the assessment for 1902.

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Apr. 19. H. THEO. JEWEL, Clerk.


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