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BREWER A CANDIDATE

Thomas Brewer, candidate for Representative of Dade County, was born in Kentucky February 22, 1865 (Washington's birthday), came to Florida in 1885 and lived one year around DeLand. Moved then to Sumter county and settled at Okahumpka near Leesburg and was engaged in the mercantile business at that point for 16 years.

When Lake County was formed, he took an active part in the organization of county affairs.

He was always active in Democratic principles and was a delegate to every Democratic convention Lake county ever had except one, and during that time was a delegate from that county to every Democratic state convention, and at the last state convention he helped to perpetuate the primary system that we all enjoy now.

He was appointed postmaster under Cleveland's administration and served four years.

He served three terms as county commissioner in Lake county, having been appointed once and elected twice. His good work while in that office is plainly in evidence there to-day. He moved to Dade county in 1906 and settled on a homestead (then in almost a wilderness without roads) in the Red Land section near the town of Homestead. He is now county commissioner from that district and has built good roads everywhere all through it, and now his district, while only six years old, compares favorably in good roads with any district in Florida.

After the death of the late Hon. B. E. McLin, commissioner of agriculture, he was urged to make the race for that important office by friends who have known him longest.

He is favorably and personally known by prominent Democrats in every county in Florida and no doubt would have passed a good vote if he had consented to make the race.

Having withdrawn from the race for sheriff, he is now a candidate for member of the house of representatives, and if elected he will work for the state to build a better road and rock road to encompass Florida, and anything else that will be of benefit to Dade county.

The results accomplished in the Everglades by drawing along the Miami canal is a good sample of what can be done on the marl prairie east of us. If vegetables can be produced at all under present conditions, there can scarcely be any limit to what may be done under proper drainage. With several canals, at least one deep enough to give the growers' produce an outlet to the Bay, and a proper system of laterals and grades would add untold wealth to this section of the country.

If any further example of the care that a citizen should manifest in electing a man to a responsible position were needed, we certainly have it in our congressman. The injury done to the State of Florida is incalculable. Not only has the Everglade land been grossly misrepresented, but all other property, especially in the southern portion of the state, has been made to suffer. If millions, perhaps hundreds of millions, of dollars' worth of property can be easily destroyed by one individual, it is time we did something to call off men who fail to represent fairly their constituents.

Of course we are not in favor of maintaining a "lame duck" asylum, but far better to add an inmate to such institution than permit him to do us so much injury in the position he now holds.

NEW RECRUITS WANTED

The saloon system is the recruiting station of the Whiskey Trust and Brewery Combine. Under the law of life, the men already enlisted in the army of drink will be dead within the limit of twenty years. The slogan of the saloon is, "New recruits! New recruits!" As a hundred thousand men drop out of the ranks, a hundred thousand new recruits are made. Never a maimed and bruised and dying man falls out of the ranks, that the saloon is not ready with a new recruit, and from this vast, ever-increasing army, the masters of the liquor interests are yearly drawing a thousand million dollars in toll.—Hon. Seaborn Wright.

WHERE WE ARE

Homestead, Fla., is a thriving town on the Florida East Coast Railway, only a few miles from the extreme southern border. Fifteen months ago it had little more than the railroad station. Now it has six general stores, two hotels, one restaurant, three blacksmith shops, one bicycle repair shop, lumber yard, four packing houses, and work on a new bank building has just begun, and all the water from here to Key West will be supplied by the F. E. C. wells here. Also, we must not fail to mention the latest addition to her enterprises, the South Florida Banner. More buildings are to be erected in the near future. Among its resources are several thousand acres of good marl prairie land to the east, and the now world-famous Red Lands to the west, and a few miles farther beyond that the Everglade, which we expect to see developed soon. Prospects are also good for its becoming a prominent railroad center. Our most valued resources are in the class of people who have come here to live. Men and women of almost every walk of life who have seen visions of this country's future greatness have cast their lot here and are building homes on a solid foundation. Just keep your eye on us and see what we will do in another twelve months.

THE FLORIDA FREEZE

We have had several clippings sent us from papers in the north, more particularly from Michigan, in which the statement is made that it is general knowledge that Florida experienced a freeze that damaged the fruit on the trees, says the Florida Grower, March 9. They go on to state that the Dairy and Food Commissioners of Michigan have had a tip that the Florida Citrus Exchange has been sending frosted fruit to the north.

The above statement is libelous and the Florida Citrus Exchange may take some action against the papers carrying the same. The Florida Citrus Exchange did receive a telegram from the Michigan Dairy and Food Commissioner, warning them not to ship frosted fruit into that state, as it would be seized and condemned. Mr. Temple immediately wired back that he was delighted to hear it, that he hoped that all frosted fruit, whether from California or Florida, or whether frozen on the trees or in transit, would be seized and condemned.

It is a matter of common knowledge that not even the tender leaves of the citrus trees of Florida were hurt this year. It is also common knowledge that California has had the worst freeze in her history. It shows a lamentable ignorance on the part of the State Dairy and Food Commissioner, and also on the part of the Michigan papers, to place any credit in stories of a freeze in Florida. As the Florida Citrus Exchange now controls practically all the citrus fruit left in Florida, it is easy to figure out that some active enemy of the organization is doing a little dirty work.

The same note is appearing in Pennsylvania papers, accompanied by advertisements of the California Fruit Growers' Exchange for their Sunkist oranges. It is not thought possible that there is any connection between the two circumstances, but rather that some knocker in Florida is at work.

The Detroit News states that the Commissioner went out looking for frosted oranges at Lansing, and had no difficulty in finding them. If he did find any frozen stock, it did not go from Florida, unless frozen while in the cars. Further developments will be watched with interest.

CALIFORNIA CONDITIONS

Los Angeles, Cal., March 2.—(Special to the Florida Grower)—The f. o. b. demand for California oranges is light. The market appears to be oversupplied, and prices have dropped at receiving points. For guaranteed frost free fruit the cash sellers are asking \$1.75 to \$2 for desirable sizes, but these are hard to get. Most cars run 30 per cent of 216s and smaller, of this range being offered at \$3.00 per box.

Up to the 1st of March there had been shipped 8,000 cars of oranges as against very nearly 12,000 cars a year ago.

Blue and Gray Are Now United

The fact that there is perfect fraternal feeling between veterans of both sides in the Civil War residing and visiting in Miami was beautifully emphasized in the Blue and Gray Campfire a few days ago.

At the time the Metropolis published a general story of the meeting, which was complimented by veterans.

One incident of special importance was the reading of an extract from an address by Department Commander John H. Welsh of the State Encampment G. A. R., Florida, delivered January 22, 1892, hitherto unpublished. This was especially interesting from the fact that Commander Welsh was present at the meeting.

The address referred to was as follows:

I am in receipt of the following recent official action by the Ex-Confederate Camp at Monticello, Florida:

"Before the camp proceeded to regular business at 2 p. m., and soon after recalling the Camp to attention, Commander W. Capers said:

"Comrades: We recognize the fact that the war is over. The South fought for a separate government, not in enmity to our brothers of the North, but for what we, at the time, thought to be the safety and stability of our social and political institutions. But the God of battles has settled the issue, and we bow honestly and candidly to the result. Hereafter we shall have one people, one flag, one destiny, one country. The North fought for the Union and won. We hail the old Federal soldiers as brothers, as men who were worthy of our steel in the hour of battle. I regret that some of those who wore the blue are not with us to-day in a re-union which would testify our appreciation of their valor and generosity, and of the fact that we are once more in indissoluble Union, an indestructible States."

Adjutant Wright, at the conclusion of Col. Bird's remarks, moved that a vote of approval or disapproval be taken at once. On this motion, put to the house by Major Simpkins, there was a unanimous voice of approval.

On receipt of the above, I forwarded the following letter:

"Welshon, Fla., Dec. 10, 1891.
"Col. Capers Bird—

"Dear Sir: After reading your admirable address to the Confederate Camp of Monticello, which you have the honor to command, I said Solomon himself was not wiser, nor was Cicero, when pleading with his coun-

trymen for unity, more eloquently patriotic.

"Thirteen years ago, after spending a winter in the South, I said: 'The soldier of the South is to-day truly loyal, and should the old flag become endangered, he would be found fighting as gallantly in its defense as he fought for the Confederacy.' I have since seen no reason to change the views then expressed.

"Your declaration, 'Henceforth we shall have one people, one flag, one destiny, one country,' unanimously endorsed by your Camp, dispels the mist and the rain of a quarter of a century.

"From our dead foeman comes no chiding forth;

We live in peace, Heaven has no South, no North.

With roots of trees and flower and fern and heather,
God reaches down and clasps our hands together."

"Kindly convey to your Camp the best wishes of a veteran whose fondest desire is a perfect Union, and believe me to be,

"Sincerely your friend,

"JOHN H. WELSH,

Dept. Com'dr Dept. of Fla., G. A. R.

The State Confederate Encampment subsequently unanimously endorsed the action of the Monticello Camp, the resolution and letter of Captain Welsh being spread upon the minutes, of which the foregoing is an extract.—Miami Daily Metropolis.

ECONOMIC LOSS FROM THE LIQUOR TRAFFIC

Hon. Richmond P. Hobson

Summing up the economic losses from the lowered efficiency of our production, the death lists, from the economic pauperism, and in-

sanity, the burden laid upon the nation, the alcohol is between six and fifteen billions of dollars, or one half of all the wealth produced in the nation. If our national government in a year appropriates \$7,500,000, though for purposes of uplift, it is criticized for the burdens laid upon the people. In alcohol we have a ruler that puts upon us a burden of sixteen and a half billions of dollars for purposes of destruction and degeneracy.

The Chinese Anti-Opium League reports that in 100,000 market towns throughout the empire all opium dens and dives have been closed.

Have You Ridden

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"The silent
gray
fellow"