A FLORIDA VENICE

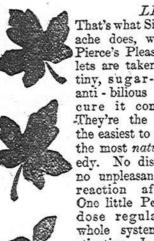
Bill Arp Raves Over the Settlement Known as Clear Water-Out on a Fishing Trip He Discovers That There Are Thirteen in the Party-

Yesterday we visited the North island. or Palmetto island, as it is called, and spent a happy day. There were thirteen in the party. We dident know this until we were out at sea, and it disturbed our tranquility a little-just a little. Philosophy doesent drive away our superstitions. This was the longest sail we have taken, and we carried enough lunch along to feed us a week, as we thought if anything should happen to us like there did to Robinson Crusoe we would not starve. was a delightful sail of five miles, and Mr. Whitmore's little boat "Columbia" plowed the waves eagerly and sometimes threw the pure salt water over us and made the children scream with delight. Mr. Whitmore, our Swedish sailor, said: "It vas werry healty-dis zalt vater." Indeed that is what gives this place its name and reputation-the continous flow of pure salt water into the harbor from the numerous passes between the island. It is always coming in and going out, and there is no stagnation. These island are long and narrow. On the west side they are fringed with a beautiful beach, just as far as the eye can reach, and the surf is ever lashing the sandy shore, leaping and lapping and foaming, coming and going and moaning. The young folks brought their bathing suits along, and rejoiced in struggling with the white capped waves. Some fishermen have built a palmetto house near by which is both a shelter and a hiding place. It is prettily thatched on top and on the sides with plam leaves, the stems of which are woven and interlaced like the basket makers do it. All around are groves of palm trees whose beautiful umbrella tops shaded us from the sun. Beneath their shade we at up everything we had brought. As I walked along the shell covered beach I saw a man-just a small speck of a man-a mile away, and Friday: Soon I saw other specks move out from the palmettoes, and these seemed like the cannibals who were getting ready to coast a prisoner. But they all plunged into the foamy waters and Mr. Whitmore said it was a bathing party from Dun. Eden. This whole island is made of shells—disintegrated shells—and I should think would make good phosphate. Every gulf storm throws a new coat upon it, or

thought it must be Crusoe's man takes away one. The fishermen get both profit and sport around these passes where the groupers and pompano and Spanish mackerel abound. It took us only half an hour to make the outward trip, but much longer to return, for it was sailing against the wind, and we had to tack and retack all the way. It was a day to be remembered, and all the thirteen were landed safe about sundown. Every day somebody goes out on one of these island excursions, for they are cheap-only \$1.50 for the whole party. There are no horses to feed or run away, no strain on anything. Indeed there is not a single private carriage in Clear Water; no driving around and leaving cards. If you can't walk you can sail or row. It is all air and water. Spring seems fairly upon us now. The oleanders are in bloom and the odor of the yellow jasmine perfumes the air. Fruit-bearing tress are all in bloom. I saw an alligator pear tree in full blossom. It was eighteen inches in diameter. Its fruit is something between a banana and a muskmelon and is eaten with salt and pepper. Cabbages grow to twenty-five pounds in weight and tomatoes are large and colored to prefection. Something is growing all the year round and yet nature seems to have her seasons here as in higher latitudes. And now let me say to numerous correspondents, who have asked a hundered questions, that I have no typewriter and can only say that I have no interest whatever directly or remotely in booming Clear Water. I am not a real estate agent. I have no land to sell, but the more I travel and the longer I stay the more I am satisfied with what nature has done for this place. I have an earnest desire to own a winter residence here, where my wife and others of the family can come and back in Florida sunshine and breathe the sult air of the gulf. It is possible to live as cheaply here as anywhere and a cottage of six rooms can be built for \$1,000. There is a good bakery here, and with good bread and butter and fish and vegetables there is no lack of food. Uncle Dan McMullen has been living here fifty-two years and says it is certainly the healthiest region on the globe.

I go to Apopka and Oakland and Kissimee this week and then to Iverness and Crystal river and Brooksville, all of which are said to be lovely. I am studying Florida without a book, but somehow I have no desire to be at the grand opening of Mr. Flagler's new hotel at Lake Worth. It would be a scene too bewildering for me and too depleting. I like such things at a distance. But I like the hospitable, unpretending towns, whose hearts are warm and the people live in close communion. These are the people who fight our bat-tles in war and respect law and order in times of peace and preserve the common-wealth. These are the humble, contented people to whom Burns and Pope and Goldsmith paid tribute and whose graves Gray immortalized in his elegy. These people have their faults and their prejudices, but in time of trouble I would rather depend upon one of them than upon a score of pure-proud aristocrats. How thoughful they are of their children's morals. "Mr. McMullen," said I, "if it won't pay you to market these oranges why don't you make wine of them. I see it selling in town at 50 cents a quart and it is nearly as good as sherry."
"Yes," said he, "I know it makes good

wine, but there is a lot of grand-children growing up around me and I am afraid to take the responsibility. I am not a prohibitionist, but I don't want to lead my own flesh and blood into tempation." He lives four miles from town and the



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ground beneath his beautiful grove was yellow with the goiden fruit. Late returns from the sale of common oranges have discourged the owners from gathering and boxing and hauling to town and taking their chances with the commission merchant. The 6,000,000 boxes that a month ago were supposed to bring re-present \$6,000,000 of profit will hardly reach the half of it. And yet everybody wants a grove and everybody who lives here or winters here ought to have small one for home ornament and house use I have never ceased to admire the exquisite beauty of an orange tree in blossom or in fruit, and if I get a home here I will have a dozen bearing trees transplanted to my lot. What is Florida for but to enjoy?

This delictious climate was given it by a kind providence to restore the invalids of more northen latitudes. How many people have I asked "what brought you here?" and the almost invariable answer is, "I was suffering from lung trouble or asthma or catarrh and I am cured." or "My father or my mother was suffering and moved here." Certain it is that I have improved and our little grand-child is now a picture of rosy health. To save one precious life is worth more that the travel and expense of getting here.

But how about the summers? I don't know from experence, but our Cartersville friends who have lived here for several years smile at the idea of the summers being any more oppressive than in upper Georgia. Mr. Anspaugh and his wife both say that the cooling breeze from the gulf never fails them day or night, and I will believe anything they tell -me. Mr. Anspaugh is a plasterer by trade and has held more mortar over his shoulder than any man in Florida. He is a horny-handed son of toil and those are the men who have no talent for lying or exaggeration. When I want the truth without dissimulation I inquire of Lewis Anspaugh Work is dull now and so he and his good wife are taking in boarders. The have fourteen in all and every one says he is content. My respect for the toilers increases with age. Longfellow's most beautiful poem is his tribute to the village blacksmith

But still there comes a time when we want more money and less work. As we near our three score years and ten and limbs get stiff and the blood gets thin and cold we feel like we have fit enough as old man Candler said to Dr. Miller after the first battle of Manassas. The old man was over seventy, but he fought all day like a lion. That night he was nearly dead and sent for the docter. "Give me a dis. charge, doctor, for I have fit enough." BILL ARP

A WONDERFUL STAR-

You Must Look Quick You Would See in the Sunset Sky.

[New York Sun.]

Low in the west, half hidden in the evening twilight, there may be seen just now a star that 300 years ago earned for itself the name of "Mira," the Wonderful. And its behavior at present seems to jusify its name. It is in the constellation of the Whale, and is known to astronomers as Omicron Ceti. It is only visible now for a brief period after sundown, when it may be seen hanging just above the verge of the horizon, under Jupiter and the Pleiades. Its red color distinguishes it, although higher up there is another reddish star in the same constellation. Last winter the spot which this star occupies was absolutely vacant to the naked eye. But a telescope showed that a faint star was glimmering there. Since ruddy hue, snggestive of a vast and flerce conflagration. In a few weeks, probably, it will have faded, but in the mean time the progress of the seasons will have buried it in the sun's rays, and when it emerges in the east next summer no eye will be able to see it again without telescopic aid. For a few days yet "the Marvel of the Whale" may be discerned be-tween 7 and 7,30 o'clock in the evening. An opera glass may be needed to show it clearly in the bright twilight.

What renders this wonderful variable star particularly interesting at present is the fact that it is now brighter than i usually is at its maximum, and that the period of maximum his been delayed for several weeks. According to the calculations of the astronomers, it should have been an its brightest on Feb.17. But it has continued to grow more brilliant since that time, until it has become several times as bright as it was them. Yet these facts would possess but a small

degree of interest outside the observatories if we did not know something of the di-mensions of the star Mira and of the significance of the changes which we behold in it. Mira is a sun, and when it blazes up, as it is now doing, it must suddenly pour forth a quantity of heat that if concentrated upon the earth at close quarters would melt it and turn it into a hot cloud. When Mira is faintest it is of less than the ninth magnitude; when brightest it has been known to equal a star of the first magnitude. That happened in 1779, when t was as brilliant as Aldebaran. At such a time it emits 2,000 times as much light as it does when at a minimum; 2,000 times as much heat, too, probably. Now when it is near the third magnitude it is 300 times as bright as it was two or three months ago. The complete cycle of change that this wonderful sun runs through averages about eleven months. But for more than two-thirds of that period it remains faint and invisible to the naked eye. Its brightening begins suddenly, and it usually gains light faster than it subsequently fades. As it brightens, the blood color characteristic of its light when at a minimum changes to an orange red. Its spectrum then reveals the tremendous Lature of the change that Mira is undergoing; it becomes filled with vivid lines which indicate that the vaporous envelope of the star has caught fire, so to speak,

and is burning with inconceivable intensity, hydrogen in particular flaming high above the other elements. According to Mr. Lockyer's hypothesis these pheno mena are produced by the repeated collisions of swarms of meteors, revolving around one another in elliptical orbits. But a more probable view of the matter would seem to be that Mira is an expiring sun, surrounded with a partially cooled envelope of metallic vapors whose absorption almost extinguishes its light lets are taken. These except, at intervals, when there comes an tiny, sugar-coated, outbreak of the bent up forces within, or a heat eruption, which bursts the shell and fires the surrounding gases to a daz

zling incandescence. If we knew just how far away Mira is we could tell how it compares in size with our sun. We do know, however, that it is probably a larger sun than ours. We may fairly assume that its parallax is not more than one-third of a second, which would make its distance from the earth One little Pellet at a over 550,000 times greater than the disdose regulates the tance of the sun. If it really is as far off as that, then, when it flames with the brightness of a first magnitude star, it must be pouring out eight times as much light as the sun gives forth. But when ness, and all derange- it is at its minimum its light can be only one two-hundred-and-fiftieth of the sun's light. And in either case the intensity of its heat probably accords with that of its

light. Surely we cannot suppose that there are inhabited worlds revolving around such a sun as that. But worlds may be there that were once inhabited. Did any prophet forewarn them of a time when their day-making sun would become a destroying furnace, and their elements would dissolve with fervent heat?—Garreti P. Setviss.

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[Montgomery, Ala., Advertiser.] Down among the piney woods of Southern Georgia Jeff. Davis was captured. Why he should have been captured in that lonely land, supposing, of course, that he wanted to get away, surpasses understanding. I have ridden over the ground and have visited that little, dismal, out-of-the-way town of Irwinville, Ga., which, like Waterloo, nameless before, will now be ever remembered

After leaving South Carolina the company, consisting of Davis, his family, several members of his cabinet and an escort of soldiery, crossed the Savannah river near the old town of Washington-by the way, the first town named for the father of his country in the United States. There, apprehending the approach of federal cavalry, a general break-up took place. Davis continued his way toward the south still incumbered by a considerable wagon-train, until he crossed the Octhen that star has blazed up a thousand- mulgee river at Poor Robin Spring, and camped at Asheville. Thence h started by the early dawn on the weary journey through the solitudes of the "wiregrass," made still, more solitary by the war that had depopulated Georgia of all the men able to bear a musket as well as the boys. 'Sixteen to 60" was the last decree of

> mained to gaze in wonder at the pro-After the breaking-up of the cabinet, General Breckinridge mounted his horse and struck out for the Floridian peninsula. Through lonesome byways, where the people could not give him directions which route to pursue after ten miles, because they had never been farther, he rode, and thus escaped the Union troops who were quartered at different cities and towns across the peninsula from Jacksonville to Tampa. It was as wild a ride as ever a man undertook, but by avoiding me most populous sections General Breckinridge finally reached a safe distance below the cordon of troops lying in wait for him and other refugees from

> the fallen confederacy. Worn out he rode up to a log cabin in the dusk of the evening, and asked if he could get shelter and refreshment for himself and horse, and directious how to reach Charlotte's harbor. Although dressed in citizen's clothes, his manners and striking physique excited the curiosity of the squatter. But true to the instincts of that peculiar race, the latter agreed to give the stranger food and shelter, and asked no questions.

I stayed a day and night at that hospitable but soon after, was the recipient of many kindnesses from the squatter. Said he, in speaking of the night he entertained General Breckinridge:

"I tell you, I was mighty suspicious about that feller, whether he was a yank or a confed, but I knew he was one or the other. You see, I had stole ten niggers from old man Norman Mc-Duffie over at Pensacola, and had run them down to Tampa and sold them jnst about the breaking out of the war. I sold them for gold, several thousand dollars done up in buckskin bags, regular old Spanish gold in doubloors, and had the cash buried under the corner of the smoke house, for fear some of the soldiers might find it. either running after confeds or running away from the yankees. You see how simple I live now, I lived the same way then; plenty of beef, venison, hog meat, milk, butter, hominy and potatoes. Sometimes we had bear meat, and sometimes we had corn bread, not often, though, because the mill was thirty miles off and we never fooled with bears unless they got to pestering our hogs. As for the biscuits, my young ones never saw one, and they'd have put a coal of fire on one just as they'd have done to a terrapin if found

it in the road. "Well, that fellow looked so queer and suspicious that I felt skittish, but I gave him the best we had and turned his horse in the pea patch to help himself. We sat and talked awhile, but I saw he was tired, so I showed him the bed, and me and my wife laid down on a pallet on the floor. The more I thought of that man the more I felt uneasy about my money. So, after all were sound asleep I slipped out behind the smoke-house to get it, not even stopping to put on my clothes for fear as being watched. In a few minutes I had it dug up, but it was so heavy that I couldn't hardly tote it, and I stubbed my toes as I crawled

over the bars. "Just then up came that blamed old

before I knew it he was right on to me, and then came a chase that I don't ever want to go through with again. The capers of the horse awoke his, master, and out he came, a pistol in each hand. I got right down on my knees and told him he might take my money, but for the sake of my family I prayed him to spare my life.

"Why, you numbskull, I don't want your money or your life. Do you not guess who I am?" " 'No." "'I am General Breckinridge, of the

Confederate cabinet, and all I desired was a little rest. Now tell the most direct road to Charlotte's Harbor and I will pay my bill and get out.'

"'You don't owe me a cent, general, said I, trembling like a leaf, 'but for God's sake don't tell about my money if you are caught.'

"I then caught his horse, saddled him, filled up his saddle bags with beef and potatoes, showed him the road, and he was gone half an hour before I realized the fact that I had harbored a fugitive and at the same time given refuge to one of the leaders of the confederacy."

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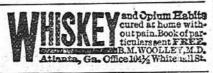
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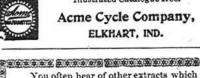




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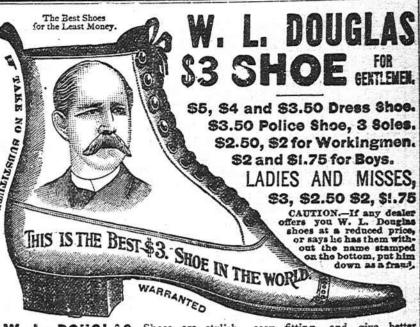
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