

FLORIDA'S MOST SUCCESSFUL FARM COLONY.

By Clement York.

I have just returned from a tour over the state of Florida. I left Chicago on the 6th of March and nowhere did I see preparations for spring planting or activity upon the farms until I arrived in Florida on the morning of the 9th. I went through Florida, and I saw as I looked from the car windows the fields green with growing crops and men and women working in those fields in the very height of summer apparel.

I was on a mission of inspection in the Barbanc-Ocala colony, located in Marion County, Florida. Mind you, this colony is but 30 days old, and it is not reasonable to suppose that one could see much development there, but this is what I found.

I learned from the officials in charge of the colony that the land was more than three-quarters sold, that the settlers and prospective settlers were arriving at the rate of from 20 to 30 a day. I went out to the colony on the line of the new railroad, which has been built especially to penetrate through the heart of this colony, and which connects with the Seaboard Air Line and the Atlantic Coast Line at Ocala.

Upon both sides of the railroad as I rode through the colony I saw fields in cultivation, new houses built and being built, men busily engaged in clearing the land to make it ready for the plow, and I talked with many of these settlers and found a universal endorsement, both of the soil and the possibilities of this great colony.

I saw many spots in Florida in the course of my three weeks' stay in that state, and I saw why it is that upon just a few acres of ground one can earn an independent living, with half the toil necessary in the average parts of life, but in all of my travels I saw every place to say that I believe I liked the Barbanc-Ocala colony better than any spot I saw in Florida.

Barbanc-Ocala colony is building very fast, and it is almost impossible in so short a space to tell how great is the progress.

The land lies in the center of Marion County, which is the banner county of the state. It is touched upon both sides by great railroad systems, and with excellent transportation through the heart of the colony with a railroad which connects with these systems, while the Ocklawaha river runs the entire length of the eastern border of the colony, thus affording water transportation with the sea.

The New South Farm & Home Company has prepared a piece of literature which they have called "Ten Acres and Freedom." This book comprises some 50,000 words, and is filled from cover to cover with actual photographic reproductions, and is beyond question a doubt one of the best pieces of literature ever published upon Florida.

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HE WAS WISE.



Clayman—Say, Hayseed, you're losing something!

Hayseed—Go on, man; yer can't fool yer Uncle Dudley.

REST AND PEACE

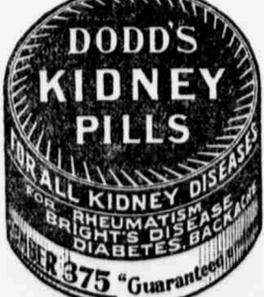
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MILLION DOLLAR PALACE OF PEACE FORMALLY OPENED

Dedication of New Building of International Bureau of the American Republics

Addresses by President Taft, the Mexican Ambassador and Andrew Carnegie, Who Donated \$750,000 for the Erection of the Beautiful Structure—Brilliant Reception in the Evening.

Washington—The dedication and formal opening on Tuesday of the new building of the International Bureau of the American Republics was an event of interest and importance to all countries of the western hemisphere.



Andrew Carnegie.

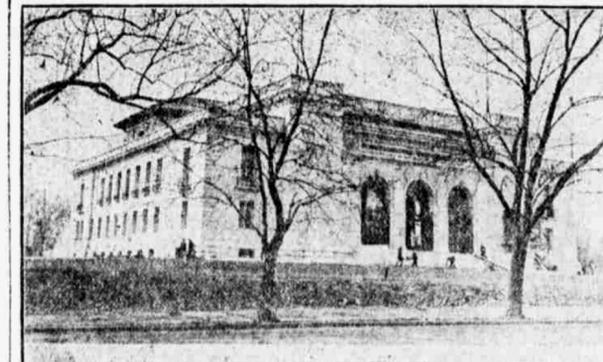
The building is really a palace of peace and progress for the bureau stands for friendly political relations between the countries of America and for close social and trade intercourse between their peoples.

The erection of the building was made possible by Andrew Carnegie, who gave \$750,000 of the million which it and its site have cost, and the ironmaster was one of the chief guests and speakers at the dedicatory ceremony. President Taft delivered a fine address, and speeches were made by Senor de la Barra, the Mexican ambassador; Secretary of State Knox and John Barrett, director of the bureau, who was in charge of the ceremonies. Prayers were delivered by Cardinal Gibbons and by a clergyman of the Protestant faith.

Of course all the members of the diplomatic corps who were in the city were present, and these brilliantly uniformed gentlemen, together with scores of ladies in their beautiful spring costumes, made the scene most picturesque.

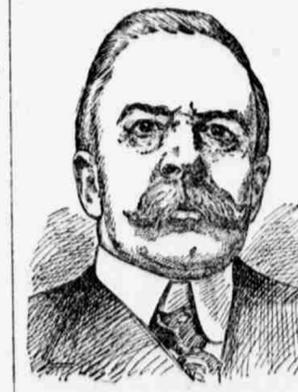
Brilliant Evening Reception.

Nearly everyone in Washington wanted to attend the dedication ceremony, but the "hall of ambassadors" seats only 800 people. So Mr. Barrett arranged for a reception in the evening in honor of President and Mrs.



New Home of the Pan-American Bureau.

Taft, and Mr. and Mrs. Carnegie. Invitations were sent to members of the diplomatic corps and to official and resident society, and the reception proved to be one of the most brilliant affairs



Ambassador de la Barra.

of the season. The Marine band was there, playing a repertoire of Latin-American anthems, a fountain outside the building was illuminated with electric designs of the South and Central

American countries, and elaborate refreshments were served.

The affair was a great credit to Director Barrett and to Francisco J. Yanes, the able secretary of the bureau. These gentlemen and their fellow workers in the bureau have given a vast amount of time and labor to the task of preparing for the event of Tuesday, and it was indeed their red letter day, and a fitting culmination of the two years' work on the new building.

Meant for Palace of Peace.

The opening of the new home of the International Bureau of the American Republics not only adds a most important and surpassingly beautiful structure to the public buildings at Uncle Sam's seat of government, but gives added dignity and prominence to an institution of significance throughout the world and especially in the new world. The new building is notable, primarily, as the home of that rapidly developing institution, the Pan-American bureau, but of yet deeper meaning in its avowed function as a center of arbitration on this continent.

It is because of the hope that this new Pan-American palace would serve as such an agency of peace for the various independent nations of North, Central and South America that Andrew Carnegie was induced to make the donation of the sum of \$750,000 which has been expended in the erec-



Director John Barrett.

tion of this monumental structure. Indeed, the famous philanthropist has designated the new building as a "peace palace," and a feature of its in-

terior, specially provided with a view to this phrase of the matter, is a great auditorium or "hall of American ambassadors," designed as a meeting place for all sorts of international conferences having as their purpose harmony and co-operation on the part of the republics of the western hemisphere.

Growth of the Bureau.

As most people are aware, the institution known as the International Bureau of American Republics, or Pan-American bureau, as it is usually called, is a sort of common headquarters and clearing house for information, maintained jointly by all the American nations from the great lakes to Cape Horn. It was the outgrowth of the first Pan-American conference, which was held in Washington in 1889, and it is maintained by a common fund to which all of the independent nations of the three Americas "chip in" in proportion to their population. Inasmuch as the United States by this plan pays more than half of the expenses of the bureau, its headquarters have from the outset been located in Washington.

Some years ago when the rented quarters of the bureau in Washington became manifestly inadequate for its expanding activities, a project was set afoot to erect a permanent home for

it. It was to cost \$125,000, and the different republics were to contribute in proportion to population as they do for the annual expenses of the institution. Several of the South American countries proceeded on this basis and there was something like \$50,000 on hand when the congress of the United States declared for a more pretentious building and appropriated \$200,000 instead of merely its share of the \$125,000. Soon after Andrew Carnegie came forward and offered to donate the whole sum needed for a building—and a much finer building than had previously been thought of. He had previously donated millions of dollars for the famous "peace palace" at The Hague, and it was his idea to have the new edifice in Washington



Old Quarters of the Bureau.

occupy the same relation to the cause of international peace on this continent that The Hague palace does to the cause of international arbitration throughout the world.

Beauties of the Marble Building.

With three-quarters of a million dollars provided by Mr. Carnegie for a building, the Pan-American bureau was enabled to devote the \$250,000 on hand to the purchase of a site, and a most admirable tract of several acres was secured in an ideal location south of the White House and overlooking the Potomac river. Here a surpassingly beautiful marble palace has been reared from the prize designs submitted in the competition which was entered by architects in all parts of the country—and, indeed, of the continent. There is a distinct touch of the Spanish in the architecture, markedly in the introduction of a tile roof and the provision of a "patio" or inner court such as constitutes the most distinctive feature of the typical Latin-American mansion. The whole architectural policy in the case of this building has been to provide a structure more suggestive of a palatial private residence than a public office structure.

The "patio" or picturesque court yard, is protected from the sun by an overhanging roof and cooled by waters falling from a beautiful marble fountain. On all hands are tropical plants, while the quaint pavement, white stucco walls and low doors suggest the Spanish atmosphere. Much space in the rooms which open from this "patio" is given over to the Columbus Memorial Library, the great collection of books on Pan-American subjects which is one of the principal features of the bureau. There are stack rooms for 120,000 volumes; a fireproof vault for valuable documents and a reading room 40 by 100 feet in size.

Offices occupy most of the second floor of the new building, the principal apartments being designed for the use of the director of the bureau, the secretary and the governing board. On this floor also is the beautiful assembly hall or hall of American ambassadors, of which mention has already been made. This imposing auditorium is more than 100 feet in length and 65 feet in width. A total of two dozen ornamental columns support the ceiling which rises 45 feet above the floor. Five large bay windows with balconies overlook the garden in the patio. It may be added in conclusion that this patio has been so arranged that in winter it will be transformed into a winter garden

Messages of His Own. When his supply of coupons had been exhausted, Captain Simpson prepared a message of his own, and the following was printed on a slip of paper in English, French, Spanish, German and Italian:

This paper was put overboard for the purpose of tracing ocean currents. The finder to please forward, stating when and where it was found, and reap a just reward.

The captain's name and address at the offices of his company were appended. The "just reward" referred to used to consist of a copy of Froude's "Oceana."

Bottles have landed on the shores of Portuguese and French Guinea, on the coast of Africa, and, in fact, in almost every quarter of the globe. Many have been picked up by natives, who imagined they had secured a prize in the carefully sealed beer bottle, and their chagrin on drawing the cork can be easily imagined. A negro in Sierra Leone, who picked up a bottle and did not receive the promised reward, wrote to say: "I am sorry to insinuate you that the copy of Froude's 'Oceana' was not transmitted to me."

A bottle thrown overboard one day near the Cape of Good Hope was, after a long interval, found on the west coast of Scotland, having, it is supposed, gone round by the West Indian Islands, until it was caught by the Gulf Stream and carried to its landing place. Shortly after his appointment to the Pericles, Captain Simpson threw over a bottle when about 140 miles from Cape Town. It was washed ashore five months later at Parahyba, in the Brazil, having traveled 4,000 miles.

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Capt. Simpson Has Circled the Globe Eighty Times.

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Sydney, Australia.—"Round the World in Eighty Days," or 80 times round the world—which is the more surprising record? Jules Verne's well-known romance has made us familiar with the former adventure. Now Capt. Alexander Simpson, commander of the Pericles of the Aberdeen line of steamships, has just performed the latter feat. He has traveled not less than 2,060,800 miles at sea, a record probably unique in the annals of the mercantile marine.

All through his career the captain has remained faithful to the Aberdeen line; and since the days when he served his apprenticeship in their old oak-built and copper-fastened clipper, Queen of the Nations, a sailing vessel of 816 tons, he has witnessed some marvelous developments in the mercantile service.

When the Aberdeen line began to run steamers in 1882, Captain Simpson was appointed chief officer to the steamship Aberdeen, which was the



Capt. Alexander Simpson.

first vessel to introduce triple expansion engines. A little later, while in command of the steamship Australasian, he began to take an interest in tracing the trend and speed of ocean currents, a hobby which has developed into so important a business that the United States government is about to bring out a new set of charts entirely drawn from his data.

These valuable records, which now fill many bulky log books, had their origin in a joke. On one of his voyages, nearly 30 years ago, a passenger was showing him an "Ally Sloper" watch he had received as a reward for sending in the requisite number of coupons to an illustrated comic paper. The captain jocularly remarked that he would try to earn a watch also, and accordingly had the coupon in the comic sheet manifolded and dropped overboard in beer bottles every day throughout the voyage.

On his return to London, Captain Simpson was surprised to find that many of the coupons had reached their destination, and he was duly presented with a watch. The proprietors of the paper also printed thousands of the coupons for the captain to use during his voyages. The results were astonishing and when he realized what extra distances some of these sea messages covered before they were picked up, he decided to deal with the matter in a serious and methodical way. Every day a coupon was placed in an empty beer bottle, corked down and sealed by dipping the neck in molten marine glue, which sets hard. It was then thrown overboard at noon.

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