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## THE FAIR IS ON, AND THE FRUITS OF THE EMPIRE GARDEN ARE POURED IN ITS LAP.

A DISPLAY OF THE AGRICULTURAL AND HORTICULTURAL RESOURCES OF GEORGIA'S MOST FAVORED CLIME.

The first day of the third annual Fair is gone, the exhibits are in place, and the Fair in good progress.

The attendance yesterday was very good for the first day, when the exhibitors are all busy getting the pro-

season of the year, some of the stalks being thirteen feet high.

Mr. C. H. Goodman has a fine exhibition of general farm products, fully developed; peanuts, mature sweet potatoes, etc.

The immense variety of forage crops is one of the most remarkable things in the main building.

Near the east end is a Potiron pumpkin weighing 70 pounds, 5 feet in circumference, grown this year by J. M. Pope, of Brookfield.

The most beautiful thing in the main building is the grape pyramid, reaching to the joists, from the farm of E. H. Tift. The pyramid contains about ten varieties of grapes, surrounded by exhibitions of peaches, pears, tomatoes, and farm products, and surmounted by a watermelon on which stands a beautiful doll, holding a bunch of grapes in her hand.

To the left is a handsome pyramid of peaches and grapes, from Tift & Snow's farm, surmounted by a cone of grapes. They are handsomely arranged in diamonds, and show the fruit finely.

To the right is the exhibit of the Tifton Canning & M'fg. Co., which is handsomely arranged, and shows to advantage their most staple products.

Stalks of sugar cane with several matured joints, English walnuts not yet ripe, mangel wurtzels weighing twenty-five pounds, and hundreds of kindred

taurant privilege, and A. W. Averett the refreshment stand.

The Barnesville and Summers Buggy Companies both have displays.

In the woman's building is a nice display of bread and cakes by Mrs. Boatright and Mrs. D. A. Fulwood.

Just to the right of the entrance is the display of art work and embroidery by Mrs. Monk, and near by a display of domestic industries.

C. W. Fulwood has on display a collection of ninety-six varieties of pot plants, arranged beautifully in combination with statuary, birds and gold fish, and surmounted by an immense banana tree.

Mrs. J. S. Shingler has a fine collection of art work, embroidery and pot plants.

Padrick Bros. have a display of New Home art and embroidery in the north end of the building.

J. T. Boyd & Bro. have an exhibition of fine stoves and ranges.

The children's department was not completed when visited.

Miss Catherine Tift has a display of twenty pieces of hand-painted china, and Mrs. H. H. Tift a pretty display of same.

G. A. Richer, of Fitzgerald, has a photographic display, and his wife a display of paintings.

Mesdames E. H., W. O., H. H., and Miss Catherine Tift, Miss Gertrude and Mr. John Padrick, Mrs. Boatright and Miss Willie Fulwood have a fine display of crayon drawings, water colors and oil paintings.

The Macon band is furnishing music for the occasion.

Mrs. Marcus, a native of Romania, has on exhibition a home woven and embroidered night robe, and a linen hand-

## ASHBURN,

### THE MOST MORAL TOWN IN THE STATE.

WHERE MAN DWELLETH IN PEACE WITH HIS MAKER, WHO WITH PLENTY REWARDS HIS LOYALTY.

One of the most moral towns in the state, and at the same time one that is thrifty and prosperous, is our bustling neighbor, Ashburn. The citizens of that town are living evidences of the fact (two often, alas, contradicted) that business and religion do not work well together. Here religion and business go hand in hand. A number of the business houses are opened each morning

large territory of agricultural lands which are being rapidly developed. The arable lands within 20 miles of Ashburn have been more than doubled in the last five years, and real es-



J. S. Shingler.

tate has increased two or three hundred per cent. There are yet fine inducements offered in the way of agricultural lands, but it is only a matter of time when all the land of this section will be appropriated. The class of people occupying these lands are the very best, insuring the advantage of good society. Nothing gives so unmistakable evidence of the advantages of this place and section as the prosperous condition of its merchants and the continued improvements in the way of new buildings during the past years of financial depression. The town is not desirous of a boom, but its remarkable advantages and facilities for money-making will, in all probability, facilitate a boom.

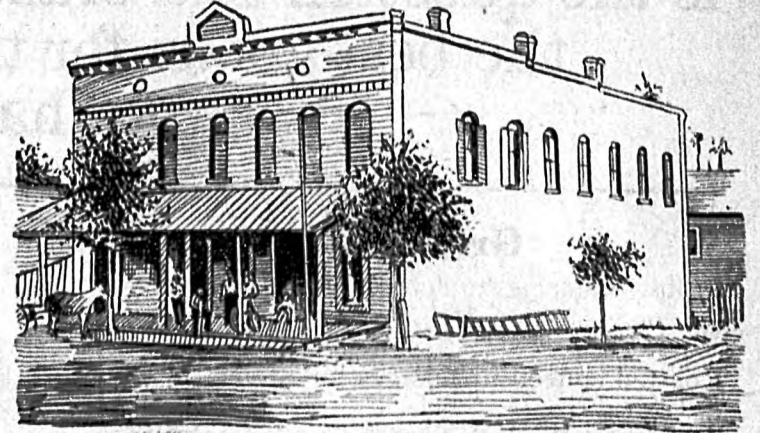
The depot of the Georgia Southern and Florida railroad in the centre of the town is on the watershed, the water on the east side of the building reaching the Alapaha and on the west side the Little river. There are two beautiful eminences, one to the south and one to the north of the depot, on which, overlooking the depot and the business part of the town; situated in the same de-



J. S. Betts, Mayor.

with prayer, and during religious services in the week, several of them close. It is firmly believed that the earnest prayers of the inhabitants saved the entire town from destruction by fire one windy day. Fire caught in the lumber yard, and for a time it appeared as if no earthly agency could save the town, when all at once the wind veered around, and became almost still, the fire was extinguished, and the town saved.

Ashburn is situated in the central part of South Georgia, just half way between Macon and Florida, and about two-thirds of the distance from



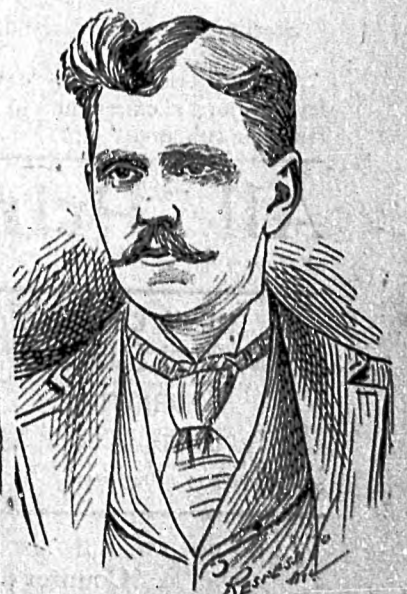
J. S. Betts & Co's Brick Building.

the Atlantic to the Chattahoochee river, which forms the boundary between Georgia and Alabama. Its natural advantages are superior to any section in the United States. Its climatic advantages come from its situation between the Gulf of Mexico and the Atlantic ocean. This gives it an almost uniform climate, there being a variation of only a few degrees between mid-winter and mid-summer. The resources of this country remained unnoticed until a few years ago. Since its advantages have become known the attention of the entire country has been attracted, and its rapid development within the last two years has been phenomenal.

It is located on an elevated ridge between the Alapaha and the Little rivers, at an elevation of 430 feet. Between the broken region of Middle Georgia and the level plain of South Georgia, it has the advantage of gentle slopes and undulating plains, which are neither abrupt nor monotonous. It is the commercial centre of a

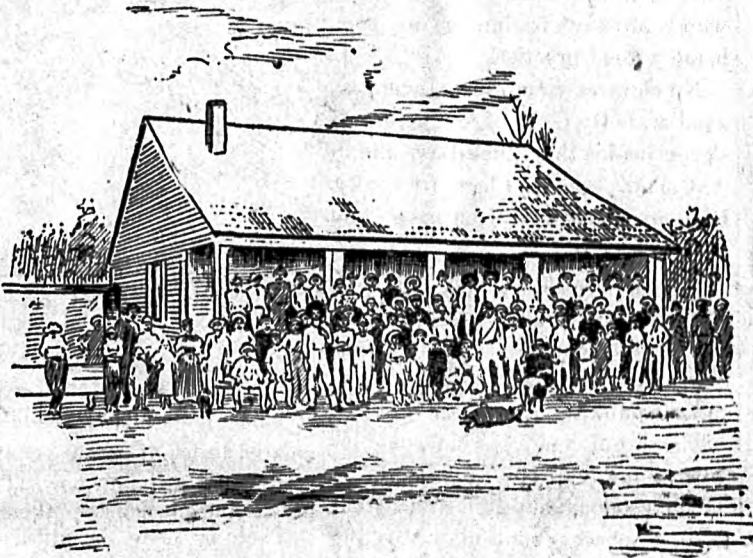
pression are a large number of residences.

One of the largest buildings in the town is Hotel Clyde, Mrs. S. M. Cox, proprietor, which none hesitate in



J. B. Bozeman.

pronouncing one of the best hostleries in the wiregrass. It is still sad-



Commissary And Turpentine Laborers, Jas. B. Clements, Irwinville.

products are common object.

Mr. J. E. Dean has on exhibition sixteen varieties of squashes, of all sizes and complexion; a cabbage that will weigh eighteen pounds, and some of the finest kohi rabi we have ever seen. One of these, the late purple Vienna, often reaches the weight of sixteen pounds. Mr. Dean has sold \$30 worth of cabbage this year from eighteen rows, sixty feet long.

The addition to the main building is set apart for the Worth county exhibit, except a pyramid in the center, a magnificent display of peaches and grapes, surmounted by a glass jar of preserved fruit, from W. O. Tift's farm.

The Worth county exhibitors are J. G. McPhaul, W. C. Thompson, W. W. Monk, J. T. Phelps, Daniel Bridges, J. S. Shingler and J. E. Dean.

We have never seen so many large melons in one collection as in this department. One of Mr. Thompson's weigh seventy-four pounds, and his collection of six average over sixty-eight pounds each.

Mr. McPhaul has a display of Georgia raised meat, some of the hams weighing twenty-two pounds, and in here are stalks of corn reaching to the joists, and such a display of forage crops, and seed

kerchief woven by a child eight years old.

The race track is replete with amusements, and a band-stand and grandstand has been built and neatly decorated.

The alligator children are attracting a great deal of attention, and are worth going to see.

### Came Too Late.

We regret very much that a splendid write-up of Enigma and surrounding country, by Mr. Geo. M. Weston, came in too late for a place in our fair Edition. It is impossible to handle articles of this kind handed in later than Thursday of the preceding week, as during the latter days of getting out such an edition, our printers are worked day and night.

The firm of Fletcher & Sutton has been changed to Sutton & Young, Mr. J. C. Young, Jr., having purchased Mr. J. C. Fletcher's interest.

Briggs Carson, Tifton, Ga., represents the leading Insurance Companies.



Dining Room, Tifton Residence, Showing Section of Parlor.

grains, chufas, millet, etc., as it is not often one's good fortune to see.

Mr. Shingler has on exhibition corn planted after oats were cut from the land, that is six and a half feet high.

This county display yesterday evening easily lead all the others in farm products.

In the yard J. J. Golden has the res-

### Bees.

Bees do well in this section, as the winters are short and mild. The average production of a colony is fifty pounds of marketable honey.

J. J. Golden & Co., they fill prescriptions.

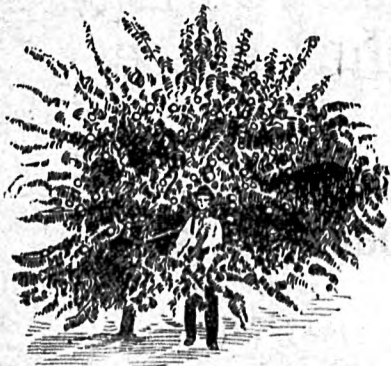


Capt. D. G. Irby, President.

ducts in position. The work was not finished until late last night, and the tired workers sought a much needed rest.

Mr. J. G. McPhaul came down from Poulan Saturday evening, and has been at work since, excepting Sunday, arranging the space for the Worth county exhibit.

In front of the main entrance is the exhibit of the Tifton Foundry and Machine Company, arranged in more handsome variety than it was last year—castings, piping, cocks, gauges and a large variety of brass and iron work, as well as belting, packing, etc. They are also agents



Planted March 1st, 1893. Photo Made July 10th 1895.

now for the celebrated Chattanooga cane mills and evaporators, and have samples on exhibition.

To the left is an exhibit by T. S. Shannon, from J. W. Tyson's place, of a fine variety of farm products, some mammoth sunflowers and vegetables.

Next is some cotton grown by Warren Fletcher, of Irwin, the short variety of which is six feet and the



Five-Year-Old Japan Plum Tree, Poulan. Spread Of Branches Over 20 Feet.

long eight feet high, having a number of grown balls.

Some of the finest corn is on exhibition that I have ever seen at this