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# McIntosh Gazette

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## 1890's Festival Recalls Bygone Era

The "Friends of McIntosh" and the residents of our town welcome you to the Fourteenth Annual 1890's Festival, an event that was created to help finance the special character of our small Victorian town.

We welcome the opportunity to share with you, the charm of our village and hope that you will admire, as we do, the lovely Victorian architecture, the picturesque narrow streets shaded by ancient oak trees, and the special ambience that has survived here amid the hustle and bustle of the twentieth century.

### **Tour of Homes**

We are pleased to open three homes for your inspection this year. You may visit a recently restored "cracker house", a turn of the century cottage, and a two-story, Victorian farmhouse. Hosts and hostesses will be on hand to answer your questions. Also open for your perusal, are all four historic churches, and the McIntosh depot.

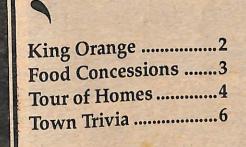
At the depot, you may view a model train exhibit and an art exhibition by Robert C. Skelly, Professor of Art and Graphic Design, at the University of Florida. His drawings, woodcuts, and paintings have been exhibited nationally in one person, invitational, and competitive showings.

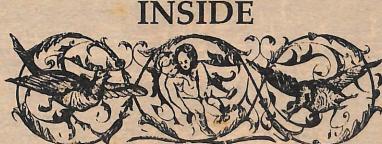
It's a busy day of entertainment, tours, an endless bazaar, and lots of good food. But, take the time to study our special buildings and reflect upon the sturdy folks who planned, built, and maintained the special character of our little Victorian town.



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A Tabloid of Nostalgic Antiquities to Amuse and Amaze You!



# "KING ORANGE" AND the KINGDOM of the SUN



by LAUREL CIOTTI

A reconstruction worker, traveling through Florida in 1865, reported the scenic beauty of a lake in north-central Florida which was surrounded by wild orange trees. The oranges were hard and bitter, but so numerous that he estimated the number of trees at 20,000. The wild oranges from "Orange Lake" and other locales were grafted, budded and cultivated by settlers, in time, producing a sweet, golden fruit which thrived in the warm sun and well-drained soil.

As the commercial importance of oranges increased, the opening of Mr. Flagler's railroad and several books about the state brought tourism to Florida. Sidney Lanier's The Scenery, Climate and History of Florida, promotion for the Great Atlantic Railway, and Harriet Beecher Stowe's Palmetto Leaves, were written in such a delightful way that readers were captivated. Naturalists wrote about the wonderful climate, exotic landscape, abundant wildlife, and year-round growing season. Tourists boarded the "Flying Cracker" and came to Florida to see the wonders they read about. The sight of orange groves, laden with fruit in the winter was impressive. Many visitors decided to stay and plant citrus. Northerners left their factory jobs and long, cold winters behind and packed their families off to the land of bud and bloom, fruit and prosperity.

The orange industry had become big business by the 1890's. In 1893, a dozen oranges cost a nickle. You could purchase a bushel for 50 cents anywhere in Marion County. Packing house workers earned 4 cents a box for packing, or 5 cents a box if the oranges were wrapped in tissue paper. A skilled packer could earn \$2.30 a day. Trainloads of fruit were shipped north to sell for \$1.20 a box.

By 1893, a good acre of orange trees produced an income of \$500-\$800. A mature 30 acre grove might net the owner upwards of \$20,000 per year, an enormous amount of money in those times! In the 1880's, land could still be purchased for \$2-\$5 and acre, but by 1895, was more likely to cost around \$75.00 per acre if it was suitable for orange groves, add to that another \$25 to \$50 per acre to clear for planting. A mature grove cost from \$500-\$1000 per acre and was well worth the

cost. You could expect a tree to bear fruit in only three years, and in 1893, the annual growth of one tree was measured at an astounding eleven feet.

Fortunes were being made from "King Orange" in north-central Florida until the devastating freezes of 1894-1895. Freight trains from the north arriving in Marion county on December 28, 1894, had heavy, deep snow packed on the tops of the cars. (By the time the trains arrived in Tampa, most of the snow had been used up for snowballs!) Surely, this display tipped off the grove owners of the bitter cold headed their

way. A letter dated January 4, 1895, described the first of two disastrous freezes which would leave an indelible mark on the area's citrus production:

"Jack Frost spread himself over Florida. Ice froze an inch thick in our shack; coldest since 1835 (sixty years). Some people saw ice for the first time. Rather a cooling sight-3,000,000 boxes of oranges frozen on the trees, and rattling in the wind. It was cold only two nights, and only half the orange crop had been gathered. Ten Million dollars will not cover all the loss in trees, truck fruit, freight, labor, etc., but what is done is 'did'."

In January of 1895, the Florida Southern Railroad sent a full carload of seeds, (gratis), stopping at all north-central Florida stations. The free seed, a charitable act designed to encourage new landowners from leaving and help them through the winter months ahead, would also help insure future freight and passenger transport for the railroad. Hope was rekindled briefly until the second hard freeze slid into Marion County early morning on February 7th. The destruction was complete. The groves were rendered worthless and planters were ruined. Entire communities were wiped out and families headed back up north or further south to the warmer climes which never froze. Those who stayed, replanted a few groves, but the major emphasis would switch to vegetables such as squash, corn and beans, or winter strawberries.

In Miami later that week, a widow named Julia Tuttle, snipped from an orange tree in her garden, a green twig with white blooms, and sent it to Mr. Flagler in St. Augustine, together with an invitation to extend his railroad to Biscayne Bay. Four months later, Flagler was making plans to expand his railroad to Miami and build a resort. South Florida became the boom area of the state and laid claim to "King Orange".





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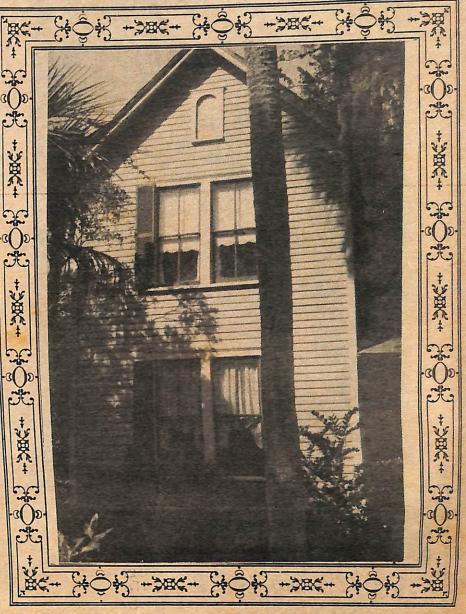
## FOURTEENTH ANNUAL

The Neal - Blinn House

In 1893, John S. Neal finished construction of his second house in McIntosh. His first, built on the site of the Norsworthy house, was burned to the ground after being struck by lightening. A photo, taken in 1895, shows the new house, seemingly in "the middle of nowhere", with only a few scrub palms on the half block of fenced property: with the Neals; John, his wife Lulu, and children Barkley and Hattie standing proudly before it.

John died in 1917, and Lulu only four years later. Miss Hattie, age 30 and her brother continued to live at home. When Barkley took a wife, Miss Hattie didn't like it at all and continued to live in the house with the couple until 1937, when Barkley died and his wife went back to Jacksonville. Hattie was alone now with a big house and yard to tend. She would never marry. She grew, sadly, into a reclusive old woman, living a sheltered existence in a dark, foliage covered house. After breaking her hip, concerned friends moved her into a retirement home in Ocala, where she died in 1978, at age 87. In her will, Miss Hattie bequeathed the house to the Christian Church.

When Ginger Blinn purchased the house in 1980, it was all but obscured from view by overgrown ligustum, azaleas. bamboo and vines. After "extensive pruning" and many truckloads of refuse were hauled from the lot, the dinge of years of neglect was erased by fresh paint, newly stripped floors, and totally new plumbing and electric wiring.



On one of Hattie Neal's trips home from Kentucky, she brought with her, a seedling crepe myrtle, wrapping its roots in wet newspaper, and tucking it under her seat fot the journey. That tree, which dominates the front of the house, is now listed on the State of Florida's registry as the largest crepe myrtle in Florida.

Ginger and her daughters, Dawn and Kim will be happy to answer your questions as you tour the house. "I'm still surprised when people ask me if the house is finished", says Ginger. "It's not, and I can't see that it ever will be - that's the fun of it. I don't see that as discouraging, but rather as something to look forward to."

Flowers by The Flower Basket of Reddick

### The Farnbach - Allen House



This nostalgic house was built at least 74 years ago by Issac Erreth Farnbach and his wife, Ruth. Originally, built to contain four rooms and front and back porches, it has had several rooms added over the years to accommodate growing families. Original owner, Ruth Farnbach, still lives close by in Boardman, and has recently celebrated her 95th birthday! She and her daughter, Hazel, age 73, who was born in the house, both hold many fond memories of this old-fashioned home.

Current owners, William & Alice, purchased the house in 1985, and have just recently moved from Rhode Island. Alice enjoys refinishing furniture and collecting oriental rugs. At press time, she was struggling to unpack well over a hundred boxes from the move. Knowing how busy she has been, we thank her for participating in the tour this year.

The house is nestl;ed in a large lot, shaded by old oaks, bordered in the north by the spring-water creek. Until the freeze, several years ago, the house was surrounded by fragrant orange trees. Inside you can admire the cozy, country decor-a 90 year old sofa in the parlor, the oak dining room furniture, and antique pie safe, the charming window seat, and all the comfortable touches that make a house a home. In the kitchen you will find a very old butcher block and the original glass-front cupboards. As you leave, take a moment to linger on the porch and catch the last breezes of summer. Don't you wish you could settle down in the swing and stay just a while longer?

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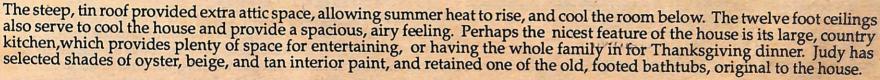
## TOUR OF HOMES

## The Bateman-Kingsley House

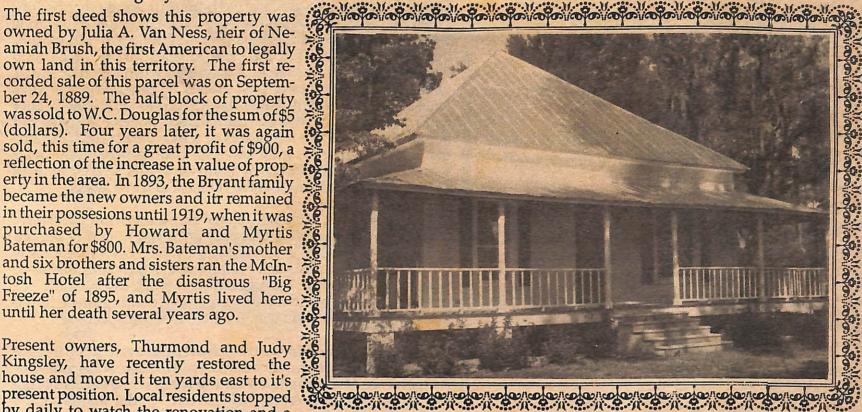
The first deed shows this property was owned by Julia A. Van Ness, heir of Neamiah Brush, the first American to legally own land in this territory. The first recorded sale of this parcel was on September 24, 1889. The half block of property was sold to W.C. Douglas for the sum of \$5 (dollars). Four years later, it was again sold, this time for a great profit of \$900, a reflection of the increase in value of property in the area. In 1893, the Bryant family became the new owners and itr remained in their possesions until 1919, when it was purchased by Howard and Myrtis Bateman for \$800. Mrs. Bateman's mother and six brothers and sisters ran the McIntosh Hotel after the disastrous "Big Freeze" of 1895, and Myrtis lived here until her death several years ago.

Present owners, Thurmond and Judy Kingsley, have recently restored the house and moved it ten yards east to it's by daily to watch the renovation and a

sizable group gathered to watch as the house was jacked up and moved to its present location. Thurmond, a local contractor, has done an authentic restoration in keeping with the "cracker style" so popular in rural Florida.



Many thanks to local antique shops that have graciously furnished the house for the Tour of Homes. Barney & Beth Gardiner, owners of "Carriage Country", have furnished one of the three bedrooms. Their shop, housed in one of the old packing houses, on 441 in McIntosh, will be open today. Stop by and see their delightful collection of carriages, carts, and buggies. A second bedroom has been furnished by Howe's Antiques & Collectables, also of McIntosh. The Kingsley's have decorated the third. The period furniture in the parlor has been provided by March Livengood, owner of March's Antiques, in nearby Evinston. Peggy Polk and Denny Wentz, of "Baytree Antiques" in Micanopy, have decorated and furnished the kitchen and dining area. Ty & Jean Tyson, owners of "Lifestyle/South, a new shop, housed in the Ebling Home in Micanopy, have furnished the porch where we invite you to pause for a complimentary glass of fresh, cool lemonade. where we invite you to pause for a complimentary glass of fresh, cool lemonade.



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- 1. Prior to oranges, what was the principal agricultural product of the area?
- 2. Where was the boat pond in McIntosh located during the 1890's?
- 3. Which was the first pre-fabricated house in McIntosh?
- 4. Who was the President of the United States when the town of McIntosh was originally platted?
- 5. Who was the first Mayor of McIntosh?
- 6. Which two current councilmen had forefathers on the first City Council in 1913?
- 7. How did early McIntoshians keep their lawns mowed.
- 8. How much did the first school, built in 1889, (adjacent to the Christian Church) cost to build?
- 9. When did the town install its first tennis court?

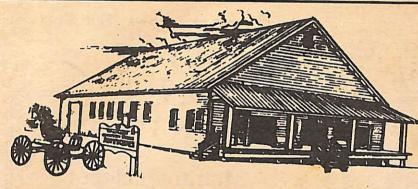
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## UNINVITED GUESTS

by Laurel Ciotti

Part of the charm of a graceful old home is its time-worn beauty. The wear of a hundred years or so puts an indelible mark upon a home. The nicks and dents in a mellow piney wood floor impart a character that the wall to wall luxury of Dupont Antron can't begin to match. A bannister worn to a satin touch, or the patina of a newel post attests to generations of folks whose hands left behind their natural oils to add to the beauty and richness of the wood. The current owners of these old homes treasure these reminders of a bygone era, but it seems that previous owners may have left behind *more* than daily wear and tear to remind us of their years here. In fact, some of these inhabitants seem to have refused to leave at all.

Home owners are reluctant to talk about ghosts in McIntosh, except among themselves. A pre-conceived notion of the old haunted house seems to spring to mind, possibly influenced by the media coverage of such events as the Amityville Horror or from reading too many Stephen King novels. Most of us don't, or would rather not, believe in ghosts. But owning an old house in McIntosh can bring about a whole new prospective!

One house is known for its cold closet, that even in the intense heat of summer, when opened, will emit a blast of frigid air. The temperature of the adjoining dining room will drastically cool and an unexplainable draft will be felt. In the same room, a heavy antique light fixture will start to swing to and fro. Many a startled guest has asked to finish their coffee in the parlor on the other side of the house.

Another house has a resident "pacer". A tireless sort who will pace back and forth on the upstairs landing into the wee hours of the morning. The measured, patient footsteps seem to be merely biding time. Perhaps, waiting on a birth or death to occur, or a loved one to return. House guests who ask their hostess, "Who is walking upstairs?", are answered with a knowing smile and a suggestion to go up and have a look!

It seems that one house has its own decorative opinions. While carefully restoring the house, its owners applied a new floral wallpaper to the painted walls. When they went downstairs to admire their work the next morning, they were amazed to see large black marks all over the new paper. Friends and family came to examine the phenomenom but could offer no explanation. It was decided to re-paper the wall, but the black smudges mysteriously disappeared. When it was time to re-decorate the guest room, the wainscoting was prepared for fresh paint, but the paint insisted on sliding right off the walls. The owners had no further problems after they had their house blessed by the Priest from their church.

As home owners, we have been confronted with the usual rural dilemas of squirrels entering our attics, bats nesting in the chimneys, and possums climbing up between the walls. These are things we can explain. Psychics, mediums and exorcists have been consulted to explain the rest. Perhaps they have eased our minds. But after all, what apparition could disapprove of all the loving care we have given these grand old houses? Besides, there's ample room to share....







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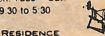
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The gaudy, full skirt gave way to tailored, figure flattering styles. Black was the favoured color, but dark browns and bottle green were acceptable for outdoor activities. Blouses were the important part of the ensemble. They could be switched to provide many variations with a single skirt. Blouses or "waists" were detailed, tucked,

forogon of order

and frilled with a center back seam and a high stiff collar, often with a large bow at the top rear fastening. "Leg of mutton" sleeves, very full at the top and tapered below the waist completed the hourglass effect. A waistcoat or hipster could be added for traveling or walking.

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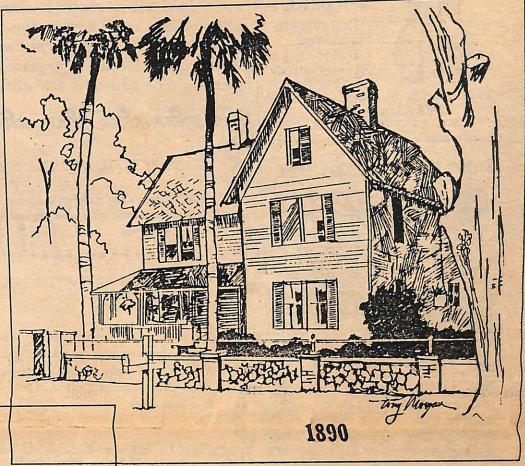


The best way to see McIntosh is on foot, at a leisurely pace. Stroll down our narrow streets and observe the architure of a bygone era. Visit our four churches, all of which will be welcoming guests today. Space does not permit us to list all the historic houses and buildings in town, so let your feet take you where they may. You'll find much to see and admire.

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### The Norsworthy House (1890)

This is a good example of the old Victorian farmhouse. The staircase and six fireplaces are fine examples of the woodcutters craft. The house was lighted by gas through an extensive network of pipes. The rock wall around the house was built by Mr. Norsworthy's brother sometime before WWI, and is a reminder that almost all the houses in town had walls or fences to keep the pigs and cows out of the yard. The stone bench in the front corner of the wall was used as a "courting bench" by many of the young people of McIntosh.





2

### The Thomas - Ciotti House (1885)

The exterior of the house is symmetrical in the style of classic Greek Revival, being somewhat unusual for Victorian times. Its doubled stacked verandas still retain their original gingerbread trim and brackets. The interior is based on a central hall plan and features a reverse stair well, original picture rails, and board and bead ceilings. The four working fireplaces, two with elaborate pressed wood designs, are still used each winter. The house went directly from oil lighting to electricity when it became available.

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### The Presbyterian Church (1907)

This lovely church, set on the corner of what was once known as Church Street, (three of the four churches in town are on this street) has exceptional examples of Art Glass windows and oak Eastlake pulpit furniture. Residents of McIntosh enjoy the beautiful chimes which ring seveeral times daily. Please visit the church and sign the guestbook.



### Van Ness Park and Civic Center

The town was ariganally platted in 1885, then re-platted in 1888. The town was laid out in a typical railroad grid pattern and the town fathers had the foresight to plan for a town square. In 1893, the present site was selected because of the large, old oaks growing there. A wooden pavilion was built and the park fenced. The present Civic Center was built of Florida lime rock in the 1930's from funds raised by the Civic Club and matched by the US government.

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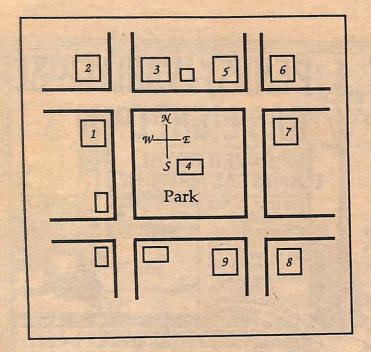
## The Walker - Philips House (1888)

The house was built by Col. Walker, of whom little is known. It was also known as the "Grainger House" for many years. Advertising in old McIntosh tourist publications attested to its merits as a rooming house. The parlor and one of the bedrooms were built with dual fireplaces, and the original pump house is still standing.



# OF PARK PLACES





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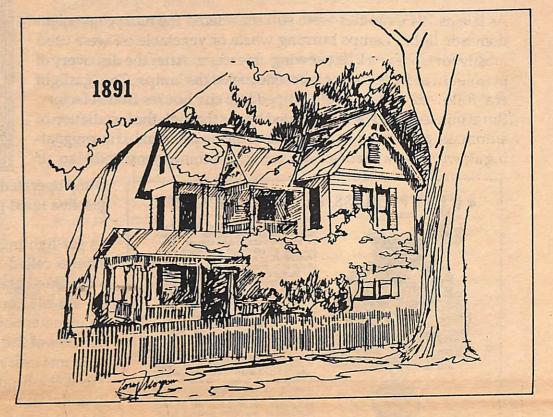
The Price - Lutch House (1891)

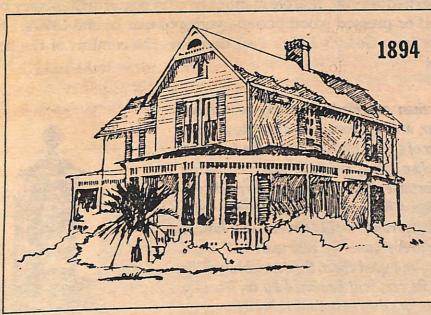
This fine example of Queen Anne style was built by a prosperous farmer. Note the abundance of brackets, columns, spindles, shingles and railings. The exterior was originally painted in various shades of color to accent the spindle and shingle work. The interior is also rich in detail, with pressed wood moldings in oak and ivy patterns.

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The Neal - Walkup House

McCormack Neal built this house in 1889 after he saw Col. Walker's house (Number 6) being constructed. Mr Neal bought the lot across the street and literally had the same workmen build the exact house as Walker's. The house has been used as a background for a national magazine ad.





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The Allen - Karow House (1888)

This house was built by McIntosh's first postmaster. While the house has a similar asymmetrical form as others in town, it alone has fine examples of Italianate detailing, seen in the ornate rafter brackets on th roof lines and the lovely quadrifoil attic vents. Owner, Marge Karow, has recently converted her charming home to "Merrily", a Bed and Breakfast Inn.



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The Smith - Glass House (1894)

It is graced by a particularly lovely porch wrapping a network of turned posts and spindles around the front and side. Notice how the porch mirrors the bay window of the main parlor. The house was converted into apartments before World War II, but has been restored and once again boasts large, spacious rooms.



# Victorian Marvels

The Victorian era was a time of great technological discovery. Thomas Alva Edison and Alexander Graham Bell would become household names. The invention of the telegraph, incandescent bulb, victrola and telephone would change the world forever. Horseless carriages and aeroplanes were in the immediate future. However, the greatest contribution of the Victorian age to domestic architecture was the supply of ample light, heat and water to the home.

As late as 1845, candles were still considered the most convenient domestic light. Lamps burning whale or vegetable oil were used mostly for close work like sewing or reading. After the discovery of petroleum in 1859, coal or kerosene fueled the lamps. The "gaslight era" followed with gas being piped into city houses from a factory. Rural houses could be illuminated by gas through the installation of automatic gas machines that worked on the principal of impregnating air with the vapor of gasoline. Such machines consisted of an air



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pump operated by a weight which forced a current of air through a gasoline filled generator.

As gas lighting became commonplace, elaborate, brass overhead fixtures called "gasoliers" were manufactured and installed. The wide-based glass shades were first introduced to reduce flickering. An almost immediate result of the hanging gasolier was a freer arrangement of household furniture. Chairs could be moved from the sides of the room to surround what became the standard feature of almost every Victorian parlor - the center table. In the eighties, the Welsbach light replaced the open gas flame with a glowing gas mantle. Soon, gaslight gave way to the electric bulb and many of the old gas fixtures were electrictified by temperate owners.

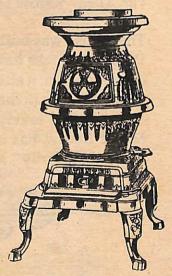
The open fireplace was common in Victorian homes and most houses had several. Marble mantles were in vogue in the sixties but turned or pressed wood became very popular by the 1890's. An exerpt from Godey's Lady's Book describes the comfort of the fireplace:



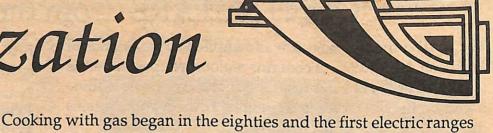
"A fire-place goes farther than anything in giving to a room character and beauty. Every parlor, dining room, and nursery, at least should have one. In the cool weather of spring and fall, when the morning and evening air is a little sharp, or when a long cold rain-storm is making everthing damp, moist and uncomfortable, there is nothing more delightful, both for old and young, than a brisk fire upon the open hearth. With what beautiful rosy light and gentle warmth, it fills a room, and how it laughs and dances and seems to say to everyone, 'be glad with me!' And then, aside from its home-like beauty and good cheer, the depressing chills and miasma, the floating seeds of disease, will be seized by its friendly flames and whirled up the chimney before they have time to lay a finger on us."

The cast iron stove was seen as an economic blessing. The wood or coal stove was indeed a money saver and came within the means of most of the middle-class after 1850. In 1880 Mark Twain waxed nostalgic for the bygone days of the open fireplace and its crackling flames instead of "a polished, airtight stove (new and deadly invention), with pipe passing through a board which closes up the discarded good old fireplace." The famous writer could afford to be nostalgic. He was a wealthy man, and his fireplace filled mansion was fitted with central heat! The turn of the century brought about the demise of the inefficient fireplace and the endless supply of costly fuel to kindle it. Staying warm took precedence over literary





# of Modernization



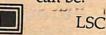


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were exhibited at the Chicago World's Fair in 1893. However, most rural inhabitants continued to cook on coal or wood stoves well into the twentieth century. These sturdy old stoves kept the kitchen warm and the flat irons hot. In the south, as much cooking as possible was done out of doors in non-winter months. Refrigeration depended on the "ice man". While ice could be stored underground for summer use in the northern states, southerners paid high prices to have huge blocks shipped south and it soon turned liquid in the summer heat. Ice was "chipped off the old block" and used for chilling beverages more often than for refrigeration.

The marvel of indoor plumbing was among the greatest innovations of Victorian times. Inconvenient "dirt closets", privies and outhouses could be replaced by in-house bathrooms. Lined with tiles or wainscoted with wood, these capacious rooms contained ornamental fixtures of character and grace. The indoor shower was invented, consisting of a network of pipes (like a steel cage) that spurted water from all directions. Huge metal bathtubs, encased in oak allowed the bather to submerse his whole body. Porcelain, footed bathtubs became popular in the 1880's and were somewhat smaller but still spacious by modern standards. Only someone who has bathed in a Victorian tub knows what ninteenth century luxury can be.

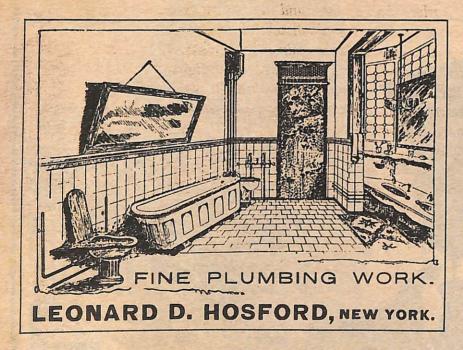
CLEANING POTS, KETTLES AND TINS



Boil a double handful of hay or grass in a new iron pot, before attempting to cook with it; scrub it out with soap and sand; then set on full of fair water, and let it boil half an hour.

New tins should stand near the fire with boiling water in them, in which has been disolved a spoonful of soda, for and hour; then be scoured inside with soft soap; afterward rinsed with hot water. Keep them clean by rubbing with sifted wood-ashes, or whitening.

Copper utensils should be cleaned with brickdust and flannel. To remove rust spots, apply wood-ashes rubbed on with a bit of newly cut Irish potato.



### VICTORIAN BATHING GUIDE LINES



These annexed rules (which experience has established, and physiology approved) are submitted for the benefit of Bathers:

- 1 Bathe one hour before breakfast, or what is much better, one hour before dinner.
- 2 The stomach should always be empty when we bathe.
- 3 Every second or third day is often enough to take a bath.



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## COUNTRY FARE from the 1890 COOKBOOK

The 1890 Festival Cookbook was compiled by the Friends of McIntosh, Inc. in 1975. It contains regional recipes as well as family favorites of local residents. The cookbook is illustrated by Becky Garver and Stephen Glisson and contains drawings of many of the historic homes in McIntosh.



FRIED WILD RABBIT by Alvin Hendrix

(From Huff's Grove--when he's not looking.)

1 wild rabbit
1 large onion, sliced
1/2 green pepper
all purpose flour

salt black pepper garlic powder



Cut rabbit so as to obtain 4 legs and 3 pieces of back strap. Sprinkle with salt and garlic powder to taste and sprinkle fairly heavy with black pepper. Shake in bag with flour. Brown rabbit in hot grease, then reduce to a simmer, and then add the onions and green pepper. Cook as additional 10 to 20 minutes or untill pepper and onions are tender.

A young wild rabbit or domesticated rabbit may be cooked for a shorter time. Meat tenderizer may be used. Pan should be covered while simmering.

To order Cookbook see page 6

BAKED GRITS
by Marjorie Edwards

1 cup grits 4 cups water



Cook grits in water until done, stirring occasionally, about 30-40 minutes. Add the following:

4 eggs beaten 1/2 c. grated cheddar cheese 1 c. milk 1 tsp. worcestershire 1 stick butter pepper to taste

Mix thoroughly and pour into greased baking dish. Sprinkle with more cheese and bake 1 hour at 350.



GRANDMOTHERS RASPBERRY DUMPLINGS by Cherry Badger

1 pint raspberries sugar to taste
1 cup flour 2 tsp. bk. powder
pinch of salt milk to moisten

Boil raspberries in enough water to make plenty of juice. Sweeten to taste and boil hard for a few minutes. Meanwhile, mix up the flour, baking powder and salt. Add enough milk to form dumplings that will drop from a spoon. Drop into boiling berries, cook until dumplings are light and fluffy. Serve warm or cold with cream. This is truly an old fashioned dessert.

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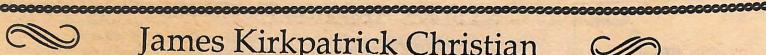
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## James Kirkpatrick Christian



Kentucky was his home, but the promise of opportunity and adventure in the newly accessible Florida frontier brought James Kirkpatrick Christian to McIntosh in 1883. He and his fellow pioneers, S.H. Gaitskill and William Gist, would become the backbone of the new community. The hard work and foresight of these early settlers would become an example for future generations.

A handsome, mustached man of 32, Christian arrived in McIntosh, a year after the new railroad had been extended from Gainesville to Ocala. While Gaitskill & Gist became the local agents for land sales in the newly platted town, Christian saw his opportunity to provide store goods, hardware and farm impliments, and promptly set up shop supplying the growing town with general merchandise. He operated the first store in McIntosh down by the new railroad flag station and offered the space for the first post office. The shelves were stocked with dry goods and tools and the store-bought necesities of rural life. When the Florida Southern Railroad merged with the Plant System in 1885, the new depot was built right across from the store. "The Christian Mercantile" became not only the supplier of merchandise for the expanding town, but also the meeting place to discuss the latest news, farm reports, or ladies fashions.

J.K. worked hard, prospered, and contributed to the growing community. He was particularly devoted to education and was instrumental in funding the first permanent school in 1889. His concern for quality education would persist all of his life.

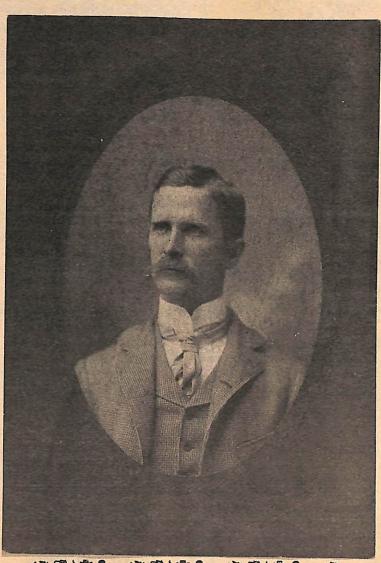
He and his wife, Louise Sims, had two children, Anna Louise, (b. 1889) and William Evans, (b. 1890). Sadly, Louise would die soon after William's birth. J.K. must have had his hands full; conducting business at the store, overseeing his orange groves, helping to plan and advertise the fledgling town, and caring for two very small children.

Fortunately, J.K. would soon meet Agnes Guttery, a childhood friend of his late wife. Whether Agnes came here to visit her friend Louise or heard of her death and came to offer comfort, or seek employment, is unclear. Her warm smile and quick wit would soon capture Mr. Christian's heart. The dark-haired beauty with the tiny waist was 27 when she married J.K., two days before Christmas in 1902. Photos of the newlyweds show a handsome couple laughing, teasing and "cutting the fool" - wading in Orange Lake, hanging off the bow of a steamship on the Oklawaha, boating on the pond, or picknicking under the trees. No stiff, formal portraits of these two - their joy in each other is still apparent in the old, faded photographs passed down through the years.

The Christians became prominent civic and social leaders. The Christian family helped finance the building of the Baptist Church in 1903. (The stained glass windows you see today were a gift from them). J.K. continued to work for the good of the town, offering advice and his







J. K. Christian

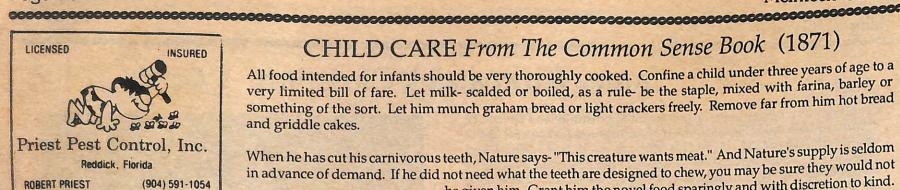
finances. He sat on the Board of Trustees for the school he had helped to establish. As the commercial importance of vegetables increased, Christian formed another company, "Christian and Neal Produce", to pack, ship and promote the produce grown in the rich bottom land around Orange Lake. Within a few years, McIntosh would be the major supplier of winter produce to large northern cities. Despite the long, busy days of work, there was still time to socialize, and an invitation from the Christians was certain to be accepted! Agnes was renowned for her sumptuous dinners and elegant parties. Sunday afternoons, after church and dinner, the surrey (complete with fringe on the top!) would be brought around for a leisurely drive through the groves or a visit to friends in nearby Irvine of Reddick. It was indeed a good life, centered on hard work, devotion, community, family and friends.

Daughter Elizabeth was born in 1907 and Francis followed in 1909. That same year, Kirk built Agnes a grand new home up on the "Wire Road". A wide brick stair led up to the broad porch, built high above the road bed, with a panoramic view all the way down to Orange Lake. The new modern house created quite a stir in town. Neighbor, William Randolph Brown, proposed to his bride by boasting, "I'll build you a house even grander than the Christian house!" Who could resist such an offer?!

When the Town of McIntosh was incorporated by an Act of the Legislature in 1913, Christian was appointed councilman. He remained active in local politics and served as Mayor before running for State Representative in the late twenties. As State Representative, he remained loyal to the needs and problems of small towns and agricultural concerns.

Mrs. Chris Rath fondly remembers her "Uncle Kirk" as a "family man" who drove a Packard and "scared everybody to death with his driving". Her favorite memory is of Christmas, and the big, old-fashioned dinner for all the relatives. "The servants would bring out the biggest turkey with all the trimmings, and sweet potatoes and mashed potatoes, and just everything you could think of! Hot homemade rolls and too many pies and cakes to count..." The Christmas Eve tradition of lighting bees-wax candles in all the windows of the house, including the attic, continued even after electricity came to town. Mrs. Rath says it was "a beautiful display, but a wonder the house didn't burn down!"

James Kirkpatrick Christian lived a long productive life, active until his death at age 83. Agnes lived in McIntosh until the late fifties and then moved to Ocala with her daughter Elizabeth until her death in 1968 at age 93. Daughter Francis only lived to age 39, but Elizabeth (known as Jibby) is still healthy today at 80. First born daughter, Anna, died at 21, while her brother, William, who served in WWI, lived to his 85th year. The only male heir, William's son, was killed in action during WWI. Sadly, the Christian surname is no more in McIntosh, but J.K. and his descendants have left us with something far more important - a legacy of community service, civic conviction, and the determination to make the future the very best for McIntosh.



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be given him. Grant him the novel food sparingly and with discretion to kind. Rare beef and well boiled mutton, tender roast or boiled chicken and turkey are safe. Withhold fried foods of every description. Do not let him touch veal or pork in any shape. Mince the meat very finely to save his digestive apparatus all unneccesary work. Mealy old potatoes- never new or waxy, young onions boiled in two waters; fresh asparagus, green peas, with of course, rice or hominy. For dessert once in a while, a simple custard, a taste of homemade ice cream, rice and farina puddings, graham hasty pudding; the inner part of a well-roasted apple, and in their season, ripe peaches and apples, will not harm him, taken in moderation, if he is well and strong.

Pare the fruit always. The skin of the apple is as bad for him as a bit of your kid glove would be; that of the grape, more indigestible than shoe leather. Raisins-'skins and all" are unfit for anybody to eat. Pulp and pits, they are poisonous for baby. Ditto, pickles, pastries and preserves. Ditto, most kinds of cake and all sorts of preserves.

Give him light suppers and put him to bed early in a dark room. He will not grow better in the glare of artificial light than will your camellias and azaleas. Always see for yourself that his last waking thoughts are pleasant; that he shuts his eyes at peace with the world and in love with you; that his feet are warm, his stomach easy, and his body not overloaded with blankets and quilts; also,

that the nursery is clean and freshly aired. These are the prescriptions of

a sound slumber.

(Editors note) Books such as "Common Sense" and "The Book of Knowledge" were common fixtures in the nineteenth century household. They provided the family with a wealth of information. The books contained kitchen recipes (or receipts), sick room proceedures, household hints, livestock management, and formulas for making everthing from cosmetics and perfumes, to mange cures and stove cement.



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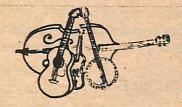
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- 6. Randy Brown and Howard Walkup.
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- -to assist the town of McIntosh and its people, especially the senior citizens.
- -to encourage friendship, community spirit, and under standing among people of all ages in our town.

Many hours are spent planning the annual 1890's Festiwal. Special thanks to all those who work so diligently to make this day a success. Since its inception fourteen years ago, Festival attendance has grown from 4000 to over 22,000. The money raised from this event has been used to purchase, move, and restore the historic depot, and build the Mini-Park. Beautification projects have inclieded the addition of picket fences and Victorian-style street lamps around Van Ness Park. Last Arbor Day, members planted 144 dogwoods and oak trees. The group comtributes to such worthwhile organizations as the Cub Scouts, Brownies, and Girl Scouts, the Salvation Army, and the local Emergency Assistance fund. A scholarship program has also been established. Future projects under discussion include a gazebo in the park, a historic muserum, and library.

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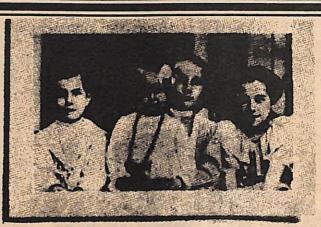
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