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FOR PRESIDENT JOHN F. HARTMAN, of Pennsylvania.

Southern Travels.

At 4 o'clock we weighed anchor, and having taken Page's boat in tow at this point, did not sail as fast, with the same wind as we had formerly done.

Farrell made up his mind that he would run the boat all night, to make up lost time, so shortly after dark Page and myself curled up on the thwarts, and wrapping our blankets about us, slept as best we could, until morning.

Leaving the bay, we saw several openings, all of which looked like navigable channels. Our map giving no explanation of this feature of the river, we took what seemed the best water, and sailed in with a fresh breeze.

Just here, about the pockets, on the ocean side, is a place, now as hard to find as the channel, called Peck's Landing. Here it was that a man named Peck, years ago, squatted, and tried to make a name for himself and a home for posterity.

It was Jupiter Narrows we entered after pocketing our boat so much. Just after entering we came across a place on the west shore, where a clump of cabbage palmettos rose far above the mangroves, which lined either shore.

Jupiter Narrows are eight miles in length, and the scenery is not varied,

being an impenetrable mangrove swamp on both sides. Sails are useless here, and a "white ash breeze" indispensable. A couple of hours of steady rowing however, put us through the narrows, and we sighted Hope Sound.

Along this sound are Spanish land grants, and many efforts have been made by the owners to have them settled up, but after spending an immense amount of money for improvements, and getting no returns, they were all allowed to lapse into their old, tangled, and wild condition.

Nothing of any note is observed from here to Jupiter Lighthouse, which place we reached about noon on the 18th of February. Here we were warmly welcomed by Capt. Armour and family, and his two assistants, Messrs. Moore and Whitehead.

The family quarters was a large building, with verandas all around it, built apparently, of concrete. The lighthouse is situated on a bluff about thirty feet high, just west of the family residence, and is itself one hundred feet high. It is built of brick, circular; is 20 feet in diameter at the base, and about 10 feet at the top.

At Jupiter is the junction of the Indian, the Lokohatchie, and Jupiter rivers, and Lake Worth Creek, beside the ocean inlet. The two latter rivers and the creek, are fresh water. The inlet is at present closed with sand and shells thrown up from the ocean.

On the morning of the 19th, after a good night's sleep and a hearty breakfast, Farrell and myself started down the beach, for Lake Worth. We carried a haversack, filled with ammunition, a gun, and a bottle of coffee.

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This fruit is about the size of a medium sized apple, is yellow when ripe, and as full of seeds as a black-berry. Digging in the deserted garden we found a nice lot of sweet potatoes which we baked in the ashes. They were very nice, but we were too tired to eat more than a few mouthfuls; Farrell, however, sustained his reputation on potatoes as on walking.

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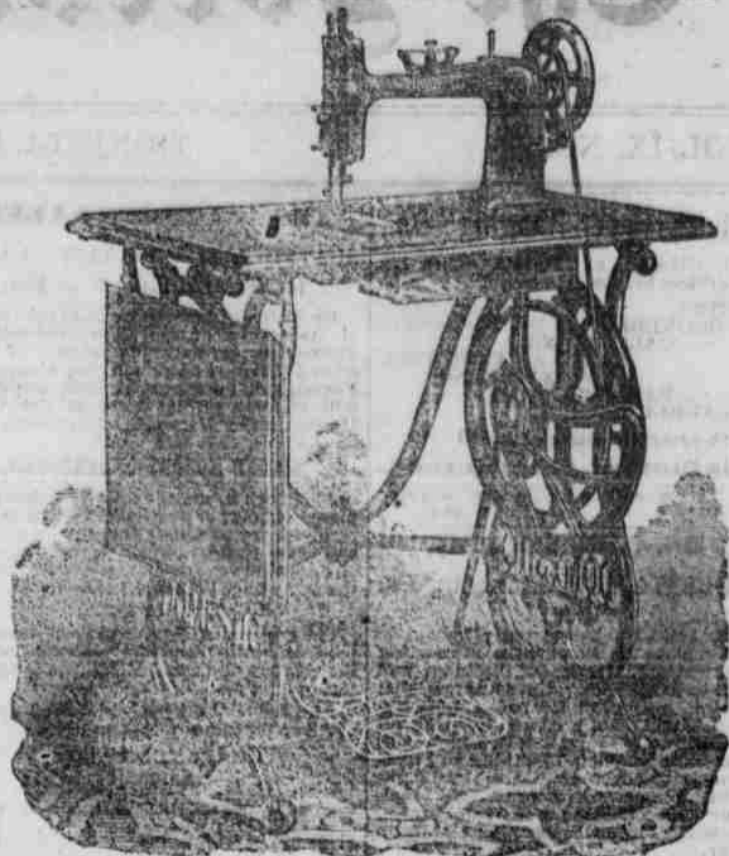
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