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CITRUS NOTES

"AGRICULTURAL POSSIBILITIES OF SO. CALIFORNIA"

Opening of Land Show--Los Angeles

November 21, 1913

Introduction

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We have developed, or rather I should say are in the process of developing an entirely different type of agriculture from that of the far East, the South or the great Middle West. Conditions here are different ~~than~~ and the methods followed in in these other sections do not apply here. Then if you will permit me to say that the agriculturists as a class in Southern California, also radically differ from those of these other sections.

*Conceded follows the old methods*

Agallating of So. Cal. farmer is ~~now~~ *like* a mixed assemblage of *bandies, etc*  
Telephone - Automobile - Trucks - Tractors

Some may feel that we are so far removed from the great markets that we cannot compete with those producing districts ~~XXXXXX~~ which are closer <sup>to markets</sup> but transportation, refrigeration and storage facilities have made it possible for us to grow fruits and vegetables here and market them in the great consuming centers of the far East. Besides, ~~no other~~ *section can*

The Panama <sup>canal</sup> will give us largely increased & cheaper transportation facilities

High grade

Specialty farming is generally what is followed here,

that is, most of our farmers give special attention to one line of farming, <sup>or raising of one product</sup> and while a few products of the soil may largely predominate, yet the greatest variety of

*Conceded  
Cyo Post Eves*

*Henry  
P...*

*other - compared to many*

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~~farm products~~, fruits, grains and vegetables are grown here.

Perhaps no section of the world grows for commercial purposes a greater variety of farm products than Southern California.

Some apprehension of <sup>among the</sup> ~~the number of~~ farmers and those who are thinking of investing here <sup>exists</sup> ~~has been had~~ on account of the lowering of the tariff on practically all of our <sup>farm</sup> products.

I think we need not <sup>be over apprehensive</sup> ~~hesitate to go ahead with~~ our enterprises for ~~we~~ while we may expect to divide trade with competitors, <sup>to some extent</sup> yet it is evident that no other section of the United States, or the world will ever rob Southern California of the reputation and fame she has justly won as <sup>for her products of the</sup> ~~a producer of the finest~~ products of the soil <sup>in</sup> ~~in~~ the world. <sup>and</sup>

The best trade in all our cities demand them  
Cheaper grades may suffer

Southern California is a great Empire in extent,



yet if it was twice as large I predict that the next generation will see its ~~beautiful~~ fertile valleys and beautiful mountain slopes, <sup>the</sup> furnishing homes <sup>for</sup> ~~for~~ three or four times <sup>as many people as at present</sup> its present population.

The Divine hand has been most lavish in bestowing upon Southern California, rare natural advantages.

No district under the flag that we love presents so much that is attractive.

The magnificent mountain ranges not only form picturesque scenery that is both beautiful and inspiring, but giant bulwarks to guard the fertile valleys.

These are also nature's great reservoirs where is stored the water to be carried to the growing fields and beautiful orchards below <sup>as needed - Better than</sup>

<sup>There with our splendid</sup> Our magnificent boulevards, traversing every section, our numerous trolley lines and vast Coast washed by the Grand Old Pacific <sup>make this a most attractive place for a home</sup>

Southern California is said to be the play ground for the nation, but it can be at the same time the <sup>busy</sup> field and workshop and those of us who are here can get a large measure of recreation and pleasure along with our friends from the East.

Many beautiful valleys and plenty of water.

*will be improved - houses - gas engine  
- with some houses*

~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ Much is said about the high cost of living.

My prediction is that it will continue to be <sup>all</sup> high regardless of ~~the~~ Legislation that our wise men at Washington can pass?

The non-producers are crowding together in the cities and must be fed. The producers are not increasing in the same ratio *as the non producers*

When the Government had vast Empires of fertile un-occupied land to be taken up by the settlers, there was a <sup>the</sup> more even balance <sup>was more evenly maintained between</sup> of the products with the ~~the~~ consumers *than it is today or ever will be for*

~~This no longer prevails.~~ There are no great sections open <sup>or to be opened</sup> for settlement as formerly.

In other words the production is not keeping

pace with the consumption, and therefore, the food products of the farm, which absolutely must be had to supply the demands of our great cities, will yield splendid returns to the tiller of the soil.

Let men give their best thought  
to this the very foundation of ~~wealth~~  
wealth & prosperity of our families

Rome at height of its glory her great men  
polluted plow in field  
When Rome took & destroyed Carthage the only  
books preserved were ~~25~~ Vol on Agriculture

He who is well informed - Room for

display of greatest genius,

Man has greater general knowledge  
than in any other culture

Man uses Gas Engine

Great future - While our cities will grow  
so also will over again