

FLORIDA VS. CALIFORNIA.

IF YOU want to get a good "kick," amble over the California line and give three rousing cheers for Florida. You may escape mortal injury, but your ear drums will tingle for quite some time with a brand of profanity, that might fairly be termed sizzling.

Florida is something more than a red rag to the California bull. It is a garrocha in the neck, and a bawderilla in the nether flank. The feeling is most intense in the vicinity of Los Angeles, but it is by no means quiescent in the vicinity of Shasta Springs. Florida is as popular in California as the cat's meow in a dog pound.

All of which is natural enough and from the standpoint of human behaviour, amusing. No one likes to be dethroned, particularly after a prosperous and uninterrupted reign of twenty years, and California is particularly averse to such a situation.

And it is all a gigantic swindle. That is the California verdict. Florida has nothing but diamond back rattlesnakes and malaria, excluding of course, the razor back hogs and real estate slickers.

What a difference it makes where the ox is gored. Only a few years ago California was laughing at those Midwest advertisements, trying to stem the flood to the land of sunshine and roses, now Florida is laughing and the Sunkist hosts apparently see no humor in the situation at all.

California's hysteria appears to us altogether futile and destined to advance the cause it is designed to obstruct. Nothing is going to stop this Florida boom, except Florida herself.

The Florida boom will break just as all other booms break, for the elements of the blow-up are inherent in the situation. Those on the top at the break will get hurt, and those who have been in and out, can salt away their easy profits, without damage.

Eventually, Florida will return to normalcy, and because of her climate and proximity to the great centers of population, she will enjoy a reasonable and increasing development for an indefinite time.

California, meanwhile, will go ahead, and become one of the greatest states in the country, simply because she has the resources which render this inevitable.

Oregon naturally favors California as her best market and best customer. But Oregon can't restrain a slight smile at her neighbor's present discomforture.

PERSONAL HEALTH SERVICE

Personal Health Service by WILLIAM BRADY, M. D. Is This Mother Girl or Woman? (Constant reader, fair play, pro-bono and everybody else might help us find the answer to this question.)

Dear Dr. Brady: I am a 14 year old unmarried girl. And also the ashamed mother of a 4 month old baby, the father of whom is . . . I'd like to wean my baby. Can you suggest a good "breast dryer"?

Is this mother girl or woman? And sarcastically speaking, is the female who gave her the fool advice a lady? If she is, then Sairey Gamp is a lady, and I am no gentleman.

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QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS. Seven Little Brushes in a Rack. There are seven in our household, all using the same rack to hold our toothbrushes.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS. The Education of Future Delinquents. Am I asking too much when I request that you write an article on the practice of coaxing a 3 year old child to drink home brew?

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In the old days you hated the villain and loved the hero, but that was before movie heroes were invented. "I never try to run things" usually means "I'd rather sit back and knock than to help."

It must seem strange to make a radio speech. You can't hear the audience coughing. Mr. Kellogg may not be as big as Mr. Hughes, but he can register just as much alarm at the sight of red.

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