



G.O. DUNNEL INTERVIEW

Some folks try to tell yer that frosts are unusual in Floridy. I don't believe it! When I've been down there I've seen the ground kinder laid out in strips. A strip several rods wide, or maybe a mile, all white. Then would come a green place. Then another white one. Maybe it's unusual to have it snow real hard, but I bet they get a scattering of it every winter. They read in the papers of how they's a blizzard up north, and they go 'round and shake hands with each other that they've missed it. They don't stop to figger that most of us up here keeps reasonably warm, blizzard or no blizzard, while down there they have the shakes every evening. Most of those old coots that come down from the north won't touch no liquor. But they swill patent medicine that stands off the shakes. Shucks, it's nothing but damned poor whisky, and awful tasting at that. Costs two or three times as much, too.

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