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The route of the canal will be determined by the survey ordered by the commissioners. It is not determined where the canal will run at this time. The committee can only make recommendation and they cannot determine the depth of this canal nor width of it. It is agreed that it should run north on Major Gordon's property due west across the East Dixie highway in a northwesterly direction (relieving the old tomato farms of the water that is in evidence there at this time), turning due west of Arch Creek following the natural drainage around the point of high land, almost due south then west touching parts of the Curtiss-Bright Ranch.

It is thought this is the land that needs the drainage and without a doubt, by the employment of locks, as advocated by Mr. James Bright who has had a great deal of experience in such matters, where sub-drainage takes care of the floods and it will sub-irrigate.

It is thought this will accomplish the very thing that they are doing in a round-about way in semi-arid territories in our western states at a great expense with tile and machinery to pump the water, due to the sub-soil being hard-pdn. going to the expense of from \$25.00 to \$250.00 per acre. The irrigation is unlimited, because of the flow of the supply of water that can be maintained in the canals and the porous coralline rock which permits tricolation through the sub-soil.

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