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## TOWN OF MALABAR IS INCORPORATED

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E. B. Arnold Named Mayor  
of Community; David Peel  
Retained as Legal Adviser.

Melbourne welcomes her smaller sister to the south, the beautiful little town of Malabar, as a full-fledged municipality, with its own mayor, town council, clerk and marshal. A meeting called for Thursday evening, February 3, was very well attended as out of a total of 55 qualified electors 43 were present, of whom there were 31 men and 12 women. Attorney David Peel had been retained to attend to the legal matters in connection with the incorporation, and under his guidance the entire proceeding went off like clock-work in record time; the town was incorporated, officials elected and sworn in, and the meeting adjourned, in less than half an hour. The efficiency of the committee in charge and the solidarity of community spirit and co-operation were evidenced by the fact that there was not one dissenting vote cast for either the incorporation of the town or in the election of officials. Mr. E. B. Arnold was elected mayor; Messrs. J. F. Farley, Harvey Huggins, W. J. Marshall, J. H. Minton and J. W. Pinder aldermen; Mr. Bernard Crafton, clerk, and Mr. H. R. Crafton, marshal.

We predict a bright future for Malabar. Spread out along the high bank of the beautiful Indian river, Malabar has been a sleeping beauty all these years. With this first step in the direction of progress, there are bound to follow such improvements as will make this town one of the most attractive places of the east coast. With Dixie highway winding its way along the Indian river, and with all its stately palms, Malabar is attractive as it is; nature has done a great deal for Malabar, more than in many other places. Now, with the advent of such things as electric light, beautification of roads, etc., to its natural advantages will be added such man-made things as will add to its natural beauty and to the comforts of its people.