

Western Carolina News

ROBBERY AT ALEXANDER

A Store Broken Into and the Safe Burst Open and Looted

There was a daring robbery and safe night before last at Alexander, in this county, night before last. The store of Morris and Shepherd was broken open and entered by thieves some time during the night. The store house is located near the depot at Alexander and within a few feet of the railroad. Yesterday when Morris one of the owners, came to open the store, he found the door broken open. He at once began an investigation. He discovered that several pairs of shoes were gone from the shelves and other articles of merchandise missing. His next thought was of the safe, which was kept under the counter. To his consternation he found it also missing. The safe, when closed the night before, contained about \$75 in cash and several checks for small amounts. The safe, which was a small one, had been rolled out of the store, across the street, and there turned upside down, broken into and rifled of its contents. An axe, which was evidently the instrument used, was lying near the safe. The safe was opened at the bottom, which was made of cement, covered with thick sheet iron. The news of the robbery was brought to this city early yesterday morning. Among the checks is one drawn by J. N. Vance, one by M. B. Wilkerson for \$4.00, one by B. B. Edwards for \$5.00, and another for \$2.00 (a government check) drawn by D. M. Beckner. The bank was notified of the robbery and given a list and description of the checks, that payment might be stopped in case of their presentation. The saloons of the city were also notified and a list of the checks given them. There is yet no clue to the thieves though diligent search is being made. Some suspicion, however, rests upon two young men who for two days or more had loitered around the store, apparently without business or purpose. The proprietors of the store will spare no time or expense to have the robbers captured.

BREVARD.

Sylvan Valley News. In looking over what has been accomplished in the building up of Brevard since our railroad became a certainty, our people deserve credit for the progress made. Very little outside capital has yet been attracted here for investment, and what is done has been by the efforts of our own people. One can hardly imagine the change in appearance which two short years have made in the business portion of our progressive town.

But it is not alone in the business quarter that signs of progress and improvement are visible. One can not go anywhere within the corporate limits and be out of sight of new cottages which have been erected during the same time. The residence portion of the town, as well as its population, has nearly doubled within the past two years. There is no other county-seat in Western North Carolina that has made such rapid strides in growth and business as are manifest here during the two years of depression and hard times which have afflicted the country.

But what of the future? If Brevard would continue its advance there are some things which it is our duty as a town to accomplish without delay. If we would attract to our midst men of wealth we must secure accommodations which will make their stay at least bearable. We need a hotel that will meet the requirements of those who are able and willing to pay—that class of summer and winter visitors who seldom get nearer our beautiful valley than Battery Park and Kenilworth Inn in Asheville. Some inducement must be held out by our people for the construction and operation of such a hotel. There are numerous beautiful and appropriate sites for such an enterprise, and it is our duty to bring the fact prominently to the notice of parties having money to invest. It will be money in the pockets of all our citizens if they were to pay for and donate the site in return for the construction of a first-class hotel.

Of greater importance to our own people than building a hotel is a water supply. No capital will seek investment in a town which has no protection against fire or drought. With abundance of never-failing mountain branches on all sides of town it is a disgrace to us that we depend on wells which annually go dry. Can't we formulate some scheme by which a beginning can be made and the town supplied with water?

Our streets and sidewalks need improving. It will be expected to attract the visits of those who have idle time at their disposal. The bicycle is one of the institutions of the country which is here to stay, and we must prepare for the comfort of those ladies as well as gentlemen who ride the wheel for recreation and pleasure. While we may not be able to pave our streets, there is much that we could do to make the enjoyment of summer visitors more enjoyable.

With the year 1898 let us make a start which will help to attract and retain summer travel. If we can do nothing else we can bend our energies to securing a water supply and mending our public thoroughfares. We must accomplish something for better conditions which we can point back to with pride in the coming years of the twentieth century. If we can not secure water without issuing bonds, let us have the water—owned by the town.

GOLD MINING IN NORTH CAROLINA.

Several years ago Thomas A. Edison, the inventor, came to Charlotte and spent three months, during all of which time he was engaged in a diligent study of the gold ore of this section. His object was the invention of a plan to extract the gold from the low-grade ores successfully and profitably. This has been the recognized problem of the southern gold mining industry, a problem that once solved, will convert his immediate section of the country into one of the greatest gold mining districts in the world. The inventor did a great deal of experimenting in the laboratory which he fitted up here, but was rather reticent as to the result. He left the impression, though, upon those with whom he talked, that while he had not succeeded in working out a successful process, he was confident of ultimate success. It will be no surprise to learn, therefore, as stated in an article elsewhere, that Mr. Edison has announced the perfection of his invention for treating low-grade ores. That his process is successful one is taken for granted. Unless he was perfectly satisfied upon this point he would not have publicly announced it. Nothing that has occurred in many years will interest the gold miners of this section more than the announcement by the inventor that he has

perfected his plan and is coming south to try it. Mr. Edison now lives at every prospector's office—a section of country underlaid with gold—open pits and shafts revealing veins of gold ore that are apparently inexhaustible. He saw that what was needed was a process by which the gold could be extracted from the ores successfully. That process found, the other words back would be removed and the gold could be mined at a profit. Mr. Edison is not exaggerating at all when he says that there is sufficient ore here to keep one of his big mills busy five hundred years. His proposed plant will cost one million dollars, and he can make a profit on ores that average as low as \$1.25 per ton. In other words by his process, wherever there is a speck of gold in a piece of ore he will get it. The importance of an invention of this kind to the south can hardly be estimated.—Charlotte Observer.

RAILROAD FOR POLK.

Polk county once voted against a railroad and has suffered from it ever since. Her people have seen their error and are now earnestly and eagerly looking for the first opportunity, and will embrace it if it promises to give her railroad communication with reasonable competition regulations north and south, and to this end a meeting was held in Columbus last week. Under a former charter Polk voted a subscription of \$50,000 to a company for a road from Gaffney, S. C., and under a recent act of the legislature a fund for subscription may be transferred to a reorganization upon condition of \$50,000 additional subscription being made for the purpose of building a road from Tryon to Rutherfordton to unite with the Seaboard Air Line.

A committee has been appointed to take subscription in cash, lands, labor or material, and the hope is expressed that the movement will meet with the approval of the people of Polk and be successful. Tryon, Columbus, Sandy Plains, Mill Springs are interested.

Greenview, S. C., is interested, and a study of interest of all these points and the great advantages to be attained by getting another through line south will not fail to show to the people of Polk what they have in their hands if they will use it.—Western Vindicator.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25c. The genuine has L. B. Q. on each tablet.

YELLOW CORN, THE BEST.

In view of the fact that western yellow corn is coming into demand at our distilleries—the only cash market our farmers have for corn—might it not be the part of wisdom to introduce the western yellow as the corn crop of the French Broad valley? This country is much better adapted to the raising of the low growing and large yielding western yellow than the tall southern white corn, and the sooner our farmers commence its cultivation, the sooner will they begin to receive cash returns for their labor. The western yellow will bear thicker plantings and will produce a larger yield than the southern white in this climate; it requires a shorter season than its white neighbor; contains a larger percent of fattening qualities and alcohol than white corn, and will grow on a thinner soil. Farmers ought to study these facts and begin at once the raising of this crop which is now being shipped to the distilleries here from its western home at prices with which the southern white corn raised in these mountains can not compete. Plant a patch next spring and try it.—Sylvan Valley News.

Mrs. Stark, Pleasant Ridge, O., says: "After two doctors gave up my boy to die, I saved him from cough by using one Minute Cough Cure." It is the quickest and most certain remedy for coughs, colds and all throat and lung troubles.—C. A. RAYOR.

DUMMY LINE TO LEICESTER.

Leicester, Jan. 14.—It has been said by some prominent citizens of this community that they believed a dummy line would be running from Asheville to Leicester within five years. This question is one of great importance to the people of this community, and it is also believed that the citizens of Madison county and the citizens of Leicester and Sandy Mush townships will be willing to appropriate money for the purpose of running a dummy line from Asheville to Leicester. Leicester is a beautiful village, containing several dry goods stores. Dr. Huse's residence is nearing completion. It will be the most beautiful building in the village when completed.

SEVERAL TOWNS.

The supreme grand lodge of masons has elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Walter E. Moore, grand master; R. J. Noble, deputy grand master; Beverly S. Boyer, senior grand warden; H. D. Clark, junior grand warden.

Several parties have been in Rutherfordton recently, and others are coming to see the lay of the land, and if the right inducements are offered there is evidence that a development of marble in this area will result in the near future which will mean much for the advancement of our business prospects.—Western Vindicator.

The Mecklenburg county alliance, at a meeting held Thursday, adopted the following resolutions: "Resolved, that the Mecklenburg county farmers' alliance urge the managers and editors of our state organ, the Progressive Farmer, to be less partisan in political discussions, and to devote more space to advocating non-partisan alliance principles."

Elkin Times: Mr. Horton Haines, who lives upon the Big Hill, was in town last Tuesday, and with him was his son, Sanford Haines, a boy of 13 years, well grown and intelligent, but with the peculiarity that he cannot be induced by his father or any other person to speak a word when he is away from home, but while he is at home talks as glibly as anybody; we tried to get him to speak, but it was a failure. His father says that when the boy was quite small, he was visiting a neighbor, and a man asked the boy who got mad, and from that time on he has steadily refused to speak a word while away from home.

Everybody Says So.

Cincoarena Candy Cathartic, the most wonderful medical discovery of the age, is a safe and refreshing to the taste, acts gently and positively on kidneys, liver and bowels, cleansing the entire system, dispel colds, cure coughs, fever, biliousness, constipation and biliousness. Please try and try a box of C. C. C. to-day; 10, 25, 50 cents. Sold and guaranteed to cure by all druggists. —Pelham's Pharmacy.

CITY FATHERS IN SESSION

The New Code Adopted by the Board.

New Sidewalks, Curbing and Prospective Sewers.

Building Improvements in the North East Part of the City—Saloon Hours—Money for the Schools.

The board of aldermen held their regular weekly meeting last night. A letter was read from Mr. Dubose to Mr. Jones relative to finding employment for the women in the county jail. As Mr. Jones was not present the report of the committee was carried over.

Mr. Scott stated that he and Mr. Lee had selected a place for the switch on which to side-track coal for the water works.

Mr. Burnett reported that permission had been given to Mr. Wright to erect the iron store room opposite the postoffice.

The matter of allowing persons to connect with the city's sewers outside the corporation was brought up, persons on Montford avenue being referred to. The question was asked whether or not that line of sewers belonged to the city, but no conclusion was reached.

Mr. Burnett spoke also of the complaint that was being made of the foundry on West Haywood street, and a committee was appointed to investigate the matter.

Mr. Bostic's report, stating that the sidewalks on Bailey and Clayton streets had been completed and the notes in the pavement on Court square had been patched, was read by Mr. Meares. A statement was also made that the persons who had petitioned for a sidewalk between Montford avenue and Flint street, were willing to make the sidewalks should the city furnish the curbing. The city thought the walks were necessary and ordered that W. B. Troy be instructed to ship two car-loads of curbing for the street.

Mr. Bostic stated that two persons on Clayton street desired the cement steps which had been torn up in grading to be replaced. No action was taken.

Complaint was made of the lack of crossings at the intersections of East and Second streets and French Broad avenue and Philier street. The crossings were ordered placed.

Judge Merrimon then arose and in behalf of the W. C. T. U. begged the board to shorten the saloon hours. He called attention to the fact that Saturday night was the time when most men received their pay, and if the opportunity to spend their liquor proffered them, their families would be the sufferers. The judge talked some ten or fifteen minutes and was replied to briefly by Lawrence McLeod. Mayor Rankin offered the opportunity for a motion, but none being offered, the matter was dropped.

Mr. Robertson spoke to the board of a matter Mr. Gulchard had been investigating—the thickness of piping used in sanitary plumbing. Attention was likewise called to the need of a light at the intersection of French Broad avenue and Philier street. No action was taken in either matter.

The clerk then read the communication from W. G. Roul, of New York. Mr. Roul owns thirty-four acres beyond Chestnut street between Charlotte and Sunset drive, which he is going to lay off in lots and upon which he expects to build cottages, expanding at least \$35,000. He wants the city to construct a line of sewerage along Charlotte street and down through the brick yard along the trench, until connection can be made with the main line at Reed's farm. He offers to loan the city the necessary amount—about \$4,000—at 5 per cent.

After some discussion the matter was referred to the sewer and water committee. Mr. Craig then presented five copies of the revised city code which has just been gotten out, and made some comparisons between it and the old one. It was moved that this code be given the three readings and be accepted.

Fifteen hundred dollars was then ordered to be paid to the city schools.

Mr. Scott spoke of the fine timber that was being cut on the city's property at the water works. An ordinance forbidding the felling of any live trees was passed.

A number of requests for tax exemptions were presented by J. A. Campbell and were granted.

The following bills were ordered paid: E. Sevier, \$5.20; John Baird, \$4.00; Heintzsch & Reagan, \$2.25; F. M. Lindsey, \$11.90; Sumner & Marrell, \$5.60; street pay roll, \$13.42; sanitary pay roll, \$50.39; Standard Oil and Gasoline Co., \$3.90; Gazette Pub. Co., \$1.10; J. G. Duckett, \$10.00; R. E. Cleveland, \$10.00; Clayton, Fakes & Co., \$1.50; Powell & Snider, \$6.37; Sou. Ry. Co.,

Poisoned by Ivy

Was in a Dreadful Condition

Happened to Read About a Similar Case—Followed the Other Man's Example and Was Cured.

The following incident is given by Charles Morris, general jobber, 52 Lexington Avenue, North Cambridge, Mass.: "Several years ago I became poisoned by ivy. I tried many medicines, spending a large sum of money without obtaining a particle of good. My children were also afflicted with the same disease. We were all constant sufferers with an awful itching sensation, and it seemed as if I should bear myself to pieces. I picked up a paper in which I found printed a testimonial from a man in Vermont who had been similarly afflicted and had taken Hood's Sarsaparilla with benefit. I bought a bottle, which we took and it did me and my children so much good I purchased another supply. We continued taking Hood's Sarsaparilla until we used five bottles and I can safely say that neither myself nor children have any signs of the poison. It has entirely left us and we are perfectly cured. We give the whole credit to Hood's Sarsaparilla. Before receiving this medicine I was reduced in weight, but now I weigh 170 pounds. Hood's Sarsaparilla has not only done much good but has been the means of saving me a great deal of money. I would not be without it in my home or in a healthy recommend it to all who are afflicted. I have written this statement for publication, of my own will, as I want others to know what Hood's Sarsaparilla has done for us." CHARLES MORRIS.

Hood's Pills

are the only pills to take with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

Price: W. W. Goldsmith, \$1.50; Mrs. J. V. Ball, \$7.10; water pay roll, \$50.58; coupons, city bonds, \$300.00; Ashville Ice & Coal Co., \$148.50.

Weekly cash statement, January 14, 1898.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand Jan. 7, 1898, \$6,333.21
Collected by J. A. Campbell, T. C. 1,189.17
M. E. Roberts, water department 1,400.47
M. E. Roberts, sanitary department 108.02
M. W. Robertson, sundries 22.20
W. H. Bird, sanitary department 23.55
W. A. James, fines 10.05
Geo. H. Starnes, scales 12.15

Total \$9,124.62

DISBURSEMENTS.

Street departments 156.26
Water department 391.60
Fire department 43.71
Sanitary department 170.94
Police department 446.23
Market department 79.92
Miscellaneous 146.18
City hall 8.55
Salary 41.65
Street lighting 594.08
Interest 3,316.00

Cash on hand \$5,938.08
Total \$9,124.62

MASONIC ORPHANAGE BUILDING.

W. L. Hume, of Transylvania county, is in the city on his way home from the grand lodge of Masons at Oxford, which adjourned Thursday at noon. Mr. Hume reports the meeting as a most pleasant, interesting and harmonious one.

Mr. B. N. Duke, of Durham, proposed to give the sum of \$7,500 for the erection of new buildings at the orphanage, provided the grand lodge would raise an equal amount for the same purpose. This proposition was readily accepted and members of the lodge's part was pledged and the remainder will no doubt be raised at once.

Cascarets stimulate the liver, kidneys and bowels. Never sicken, weaken or grip. 10c, at Pelham's Pharmacy.

One Minute Cough Cure cures quickly. That's what you want.—C. A. RAYOR.

NOTICE OF SALE UNDER EXECUTION.

North Carolina, Buncombe County, in the Superior Court. Sandy Fleming vs. J. F. Brigman and B. B. Brigman. Notice of Sale. By virtue of an execution directed to the undersigned from the Superior court of Buncombe county in the above entitled action, I will on Monday the 7th day of February, 1898 at 12 o'clock noon, at the court house door at Asheville, N. C., sell to the highest bidder for cash to satisfy said execution, all the right, title and interest which the said defendants have in the following described property, to wit: A tract of land in Flat Creek township, County of Buncombe, adjoining the lands of W. R. Edmonds, Lucius Eller, Fulton Cole and others, being a tract of land formerly belonging to the Dr. Marion Roberts estate, containing 100 acres more or less. This Jan. 6th, 1898. W. M. WORLEY, Sheriff. By J. M. Chambers, D. S.

PERIODICAL TICKET NEWS.

Below is a correct list of the merchants with whom you can leave Periodical Ticket:

- Art Needle Works—Mrs. B. D. Jones.
- Bakery—J. M. Leaton.
- Books—H. T. Rogers.
- Boots and Shoes—J. Spangenberg.
- Carpets and Furniture—Williamson & Co.
- Candy Kitchen—L. M. Theobald.
- Clothing—Whitlock Clothing House.
- Clothing—Alexander & Courtney.
- Drugs—Heintzsch & Reagan.
- Drugs—Dr. Smith.
- Dairy, Roseland—J. B. Morris.
- Dry Goods—Bon Marche.
- Engraving—Miss A. M. Cole.
- Florists—Idlewild Floral Co.
- Fresh Oysters—Ashville Fish Co.
- Fruits—W. E. Allen.
- Groceries—A. D. Cooper.
- Groceries—Cowan & Stradley.
- Groceries—A. F. Cook.
- Hardware—Brown, Northup & Co.
- Job Printing—Ashville Printing Co.
- Jeweler—B. H. Cosby.
- Laundry—Ashville Steam Laundry.
- Livery—Chambers & Weaver.
- Meats, Game, etc.—W. M. Hill & Co.
- Music Depot—Hough & Dunham.
- Men's Outfitter—M. Marcus.
- Newspaper—Daily Gazette.
- Paints and Paper—F. B. Miller.
- Photograph—T. H. Lindsey.
- Vegetables—R. L. Ownbey.
- We pay "CASH" premiums. Ticket books supplied gratis at the office, room 23, 51 Patton avenue.

HENDERSONVILLE AND BREVARD

H. R. T. J. RICKMAN, Manager. In Effect Sunday, Dec. 5, 1897. (Standard Eastern Time.)

NO. 2, Daily Stations.	NO. 1, Daily.
4:10 pm Lv. Hendersonville. Ar 12:30 pm	4:40 pm Lv. Horse Shoe. Ar 12:15 pm
4:40 pm Lv. Cannon. Ar 11:50 am	4:53 pm Lv. Money. Ar 11:47 am
5:03 pm Lv. Fodderlack. Ar 11:37 am	5:13 pm Lv. Penrose. Ar 11:37 am
5:25 pm Lv. Davidson River. Ar 11:15 am	5:40 pm Ar. Brevard. Lv 11:00 am
	T. S. BOSWELL, Supt.

The Smith Premier



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Ball & Sheppard.

6 Patton Ave. Practical Plumbers, Gas and Steam Fitters. REPAIR WORK A SPECIALTY Done on Short Notice. PHONE 88.

"Swapping Dollars."

Being so often accused of the above we are led to believe that we are selling goods daily for less money than others are willing to take for them. Now we do not mind such criticisms. Really they are our best advertisements. Three cars Flour and Feed this week with another arrival Monday. Come right along for while the dollar swapping goes on we save you money. H. C. JOHNSON & CO., 36 & 38 North Main.

WOLVES WANTED.

We will pay \$15.00 each for two or three wolves and \$10.00 each for two or three Canadian lynx, the big, tuft-eared, light colored cat, not the ordinary wild cat. When you get one remove entrails immediately, stuff some dry hay or straw into the body and ship at once, by express, to State Museum, Raleigh, N. C., and money will be sent you by return mail. H. H. BRIMLEY, Curator, State Museum.

A New Year's Offering

In rich confections, put up in fancy baskets, boxes, and is most pleasing to the young ladies, and are gifts that can be properly received, and every morsel crunched under their sweet tooth with untold pleasure and gratitude. Our delicious stock is most tempting. Asheville Candy Kitchen, L. M. THEOBOLD, Prop. PHONE 110.

\$12-3000 BICYCLES

must be closed out at once. Standard '97 Models guaranteed, \$14 to \$30. '96 Models to \$30. 2nd hand wheels \$5 to 15. Shipped to Any \$12 One on approval without advance deposit. Great factory clearing sale. EARN A BICYCLE by helping advertise us. We will give one agent in each town FREE USE of a sample wheel to introduce them. Write at once for our special offer. W. S. Mead Cycle Co., Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill.

Great Values

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