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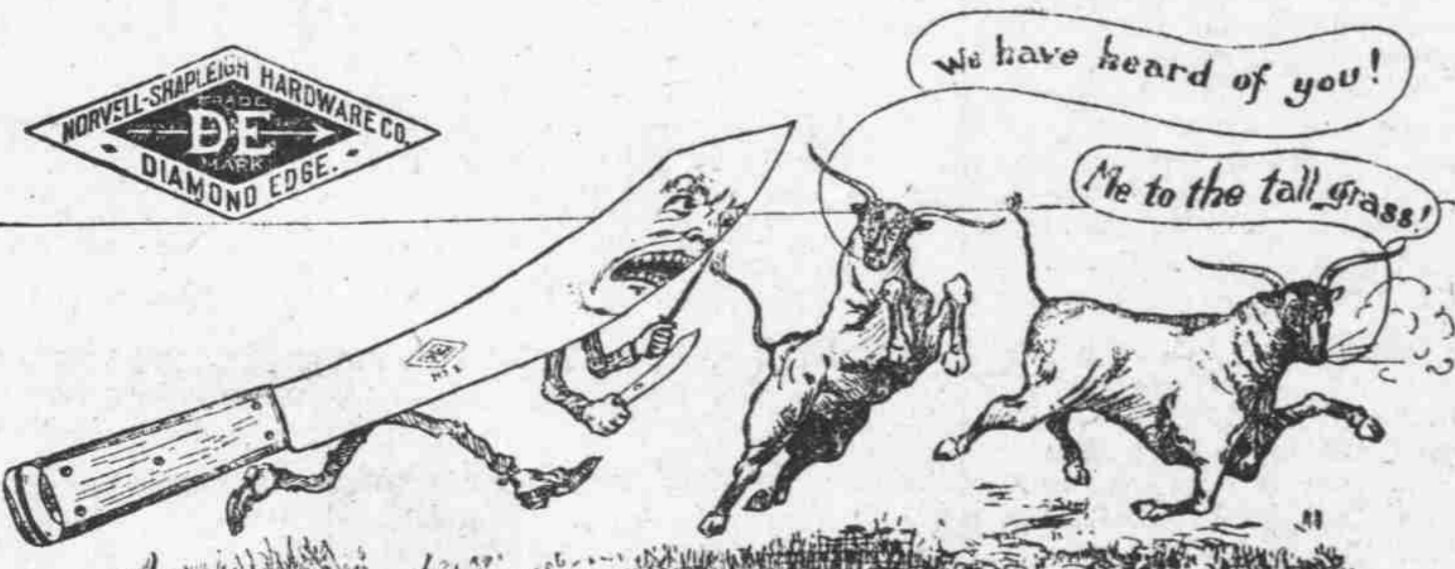
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THE COTTON MILL.

Board of Trade Committee Return from Spartanburg. Outlook Bright for Big Mill.

The Board of Trade Committee, consisting of Messrs. Wofford, Brock, Staton, Morrow, Ewbank and Barrows, went to Spartanburg last Thursday to confer with Mr. A. B. Calvert. The committee were most courteously received by that affable gentleman in his office at the Spartanburg National Bank, where the matter was thoroughly discussed.

The conclusion reached was this: If subscriptions to the amount of \$100,000 are made here, Mr. Calvert will furnish the remainder, \$200,000, and build the mill.

The following well known gentlemen will receive subscriptions; Messrs. U. G. Staton, Claude Brown, C. A. Hobbs, C. F. Toms, J. C. Morrow, E. W. Ewbank. Mr. Staton is chairman of the committee, which met and organized last Monday night, and is now actively at work.

Mr. Calvert says that cotton mill stock is a most attractive investment just now.

One hundred thousand dollars is a large amount of money to raise in Hendersonville, but it is believed that with hard work, united effort, and everyone doing what is possible for him to do, the amount can be secured.

The advantages of having this big mill located here have been too thoroughly discussed to require any further mention. Mr. Calvert is authority for the statement that real estate values in Hendersonville will increase twice the amount subscribed within two years from the building of the mill.

The merchants will be the first to feel the benefits of a regular pay-roll in 'his town; and it is expected they will subscribe most liberally to the stock, especially as it is counted a gilt-edge investment.

No one class will so soon feel the effects of the mill being located here, and they show every disposition to do all within their power to make it an assured fact.

While, of course, large subscriptions are necessary, and they can be secured, smaller amounts will also be needed to bring the total amount up to \$100,000, and single shares of \$100 each will be offered.

There are several different sites for the location of the mill in view, and no decision has yet been made. It will be just outside the corporate limits of the town. It will not be at Flat Rock, nor Ballfour nor anywhere else, but just outside of Hendersonville. Of necessity a large tract will be required, but the location will be where the merchants of Hendersonville will get the full benefits of the large payroll.

It is necessary for every one who wishes to see the mill an actual fact to subscribe as liberally as their means will permit. It takes money to build a 15,000 spindle cotton mill. Mr. Calvert and his associates insist on a certain amount being raised here. It will benefit everyone who owns land or is in business here, and is reckoned a gilt-edge investment.

A. A. Gates has received a letter from "Jim" Morgan, a prominent cotton mill man of Greenville, stating he had heard of the proposed mill here and wishing to know just what the facts are. Mr. Morgan said in his letter that he would be glad to consider some such a proposition himself. The matter has been turned over to Capt. Wofford, president of the board of trade.

A Spartanburg foundry has already made a proposition to the local men in Hendersonville to furnish all the hangers, patterns, castings, pulleys, etc., required in the big mill, and to take payment entirely in stock. These items represent a heavy expenditure.

The Trip to Spartanburg.

Three of the committee boarded the train at Hendersonville, Capt. Wofford got on at Tryon, and Mr. J. N. Brock at Inman. The country below Tryon is a beautiful rolling land, and was dotted with farmers getting in their cotton crop. From Landrum to Spartanburg there has been a marked advance in farm land values during the past three years, in many cases the increase being over a hundred per cent. Capt. Wofford was born and raised down there and is the father of land terracing in that section. He laid out the first terrace and took the stump and advocated that improvement throughout the country. It is said the Captain's progress through the country could be followed by the terraces which the farmers made after listening to his talks on that subject. It was in this county, in '71, that the

Captain made his first political speech during his canvass for the legislature, to which he was elected.

Spartanburg is a busy town, and has evidences on every side of being prosperous. The postoffice is located in a somewhat unusual place, amongst residences, close to but not in the heart of the business district, as is customary. The court house is a handsome building and compares very favorably with Henderson county's public building. The streets are well-paved, there are many beautiful residences, most of them with fine grounds surrounding them. The Presbyterian church, costing \$75,000, is a beautiful edifice, as is the Methodist building of smooth white stone.

Capt. Wofford was known to 'most everybody there, and it was "hello, Captain John," all day. Wofford College, built by a great uncle of the Captain's, and Converse College, both in the city, are amongst the noted educational institutions of the South. Spartanburg is a business town, not a resort, and the difference was easily noted on the streets and in the banks and office buildings.

The committee called on A. B. Calvert at his office in the Bank of Spartanburg, where the mill project was discussed. A drive to the big Drayton Mills, of which Mr. Calvert is president, followed. The committee was escorted thro' the great mill by that gentleman, starting at the engine room, and he explained the different processes to the party. The Drayton Mills represents an expenditure of \$750,000, and it is easily seen where the money went. Some of the machinery seems to possess already more than human intelligence, yet is being constantly improved.

The mill company controls a large tract of land surrounding the big building, which is laid off in handsome streets. The cottages of the employees are pretty structures, costing \$500 each, well painted and attractive in every way. Each house has a large yard, and different prizes are offered each year for the best kept and most attractive flower and vegetable garden, the awards being made by a committee of the employees.

Mr. A. B. Calvert has made the Drayton Mill very profitable to its stockholders. He is a tall, heavy, smooth-shaven man, gray eyes which seem to bore a hole thro' you, quick and active, and is the personification of business. He does not waste a word and his interesting explanation of the different processes of cotton manufacturing was brief and easily understood. He was Mayor of Spartanburg for sixteen years, during which time he transformed the place from a straggling village into the modern, well-paved and well-kept city it is today. He is a very successful man, and every enterprise he touches seems to turn a golden stream into the laps of his backers. He says there is no more attractive investment today than cotton mill stock.

Mr. Calvert remained at the mill, and after a further discussion of his plans for the Hendersonville mill, the balance of the party drove back to town. In crossing a bridge the horses attached to one of the carriages became frightened and started to go over the embankment. Messrs. Staton, Wofford and Brock jumped and walked across the bridge.

Mr. Calvert pointed out some beautifully situated land near the mill which he said had been purchased by himself some years ago for a low figure and was now worth from \$150 to \$250 an acre. Land twice the distance from the court house in Hendersonville is being held at over twice that amount. This land, very desirable in every way, was inside the corporate limits of Spartanburg and situated on the electric car line.

Mr. Calvert, when introduced to the associate editor of this paper, laughingly said that he now knew to whom he was indebted for his heavy correspondence. He said he had received over a hundred letters from New York to New Orleans, stating the writers had seen the announcement of his new mill in this paper. Mr. Calvert said he had answered forty but had not yet found time to attend to them all. Some of the letters were in reference to machinery and supplies, some from men wanting situations, and others from towns wanting the mill. The board of trade of a Texas city offered strong inducements for Mr. Calvert to come there instead of Hendersonville. The labor question is undoubtedly one of the main factors in locating the mill here. The people from the mountains will not stay in the mills during the summer. Part of the Drayton Mills machinery was idle for lack of labor. The mill men all through the South are desperate over the labor question. It is believed that locating the mill here will solve that question. Those of Henderson county who have left will be glad of an opportunity to return and this will give the new mill a supply of skilled labor. A

most desirable feature. Then the employees will be permanent. As it is now in the Drayton Mills and all others, it is necessary to keep in reserve an employe who understands the work another employe is doing, which really necessitates the employment of two sets of help.

A call at Mr. T. C. Williams' office resulted in that genial gentleman taking the party out in one of his big automobiles. Mr. Williams broke the speed limit in showing his guests the city. He talked most interestingly of the lake proposition and says no town has so bright a future as Hendersonville.

His great allotment, Converse Heights, situated opposite Converse College, is a beautiful piece of property. It is said \$100,000 was paid for the land, and that the trade was closed in twenty minutes. The streets are wide and well laid out. Much money is being spent on sewers and cement side walks and it bids fair to become the choicest residential portion of Spartanburg. Thanks to Mr. Williams and his automobile the Hendersonville party saw most of the city, including the Spartan Mills and the extensive grounds of Wofford College, getting to the depot just in time to catch the train home.

To the Farmers of Henderson County.

All farmers are interested in wagons especially good wagons such as the Studebaker and Florence, than which there are none better on the market today.

The Hustler is in a position to make the following extraordinary offer to the farmers of Henderson and surrounding counties.

For a small down payment, the balance on long time, it will sell Studebaker or Florence one or two horse wagons at a lower price than has ever before been quoted on these high-grade wagons.

These wagons are new, have never been set up, and are fully guaranteed, and may be bought for a small payment down, the balance on long time, and at a price so low that a regular dealer could not afford to sell them.

The wagons are here in Hendersonville, and if you are interested full particulars will be given at the Hustler office.

HEARD ON 33 MAIN STREET

When Zeb Vance made his last electioneering trip thro' this county, he stopped over night at Mrs. Susan Osteen's, near Crab Creek church. At the administrator's sale of Mrs. Osteen's estate last week, a pair of folding scissors, in a time-worn little case, which that distinguished son of North Carolina had given to Mrs. Osteen, were offered for sale, and were secured by W. M. Hill. Mr. Hill is very proud of his find, which have a marked historical interest, and so far has declined all offers to sell. At this same sale an old wardrobe, and its contents, was sold for one dollar. A son of Mrs. Osteen bought it and found a pocket-book containing thirty-two dollars concealed in it. This raises an interesting point, according to some of our local legal lights, as to the ownership of the money. R. H. Staton was administrator of the estate, and while going over the premises found ninety-two dollars in gold hid away, amongst the sum being several gold pieces, which now command a premium.

A man named Lance recently walked over from Lynn to Tryon to take the train there for Hendersonville. He found the train was marked up half an hour late, and being somewhat acquainted with the vagaries of the Southern's schedule at that time he concluded to walk to Melrose, the next station, and save that much of his fare. When he got to Melrose he found the train was two hours late, so he pulled out up the mountain and eventually came to busy Saluda, where the train was still behind him, three hours now. Resting a little while he started onward and got to Zirconia, to Flat Rock and Hendersonville before the belated train finally pulled into this depot. He had beaten the train from Tryon to this city and says he quite enjoyed his little walk.

J. C. Morrow wore a black suit on his recent trip to Spartanburg, to see A. B. Calvert, and someone at the Spartanburg depot wanted to know who that good-looking minister was standing over there!

A joke heard on the train: "Well, Johnnie," said a mother who left a six-year-old boy in charge of the baby during a brief absence, "did the baby cry while I was gone?" "Yes, mama, it cried once." "And what did you?" "I gave it the mulligan bottle and it never opened its mouth after the first suck!"

Talking about ginseng, Clyde Ray, over at Waynesville, has three acres of this valuable root which he will put on the market this fall. It is said the crop will net him over \$20,000.