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STRICTLY Personal

C. E. Brooks has returned from Tennessee.

Dr. Robards of Kentucky is in town on business.

Messrs John and T. Allen, of Mills River, were in town, Saturday

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Brown have returned from a visit to Charlotte.

His Honor Mayor Schenck is recovering from an attack of the grippe.

Dr. Allen caught a fish in Florida, last week, which weighed 41 pounds.

Sam Bryson is in town visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Bryson.

D. F. Morrow, of Rutherfordton, registered at the Blue Ridge Inn this week.

Attorney E. W. Ewbank went to Waynesville on Sunday. Attending court there.

Squire Tinley is recovering from an attack of sickness. The Squire is one of our many new subscribers.

Harry Roberts, of Fletcher, ex-county commissioner, was in town last Saturday.

John Albert Maxwell, of the Ridge, at one time county commissioner, was in the city last Saturday.

J. L. Pace, of Knoxville, of the United States mail service, is in town, a guest of the Blue Ridge.

Mrs. J. E. Nunn and Miss Virginia Nunn of Shelbyville, Ky., are visiting Mr. S. K. Breeding.

Chas. D. Anderson, of Michigan, is here, probably for the winter, Mr. Anderson may buy property and locate here permanently.

A. G. Thompson's many friends may find him at the store of D. S. Pace, at the depot, with whom he has become associated.

J. H. Lamb, Horace, says: "I have been a subscriber to the Hustler from its first issue, almost, and would not like to give it up."

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Kinch went to Fletcher, Saturday, where a couple of days were most pleasantly spent with Mrs. Kinch's parents. Of course the baby went, too.

J. F. Brooks' many friends will be delighted to hear that he is recovering nicely from an operation performed at Biltmore hospital, last week. Mr. Brooks will soon be home.

Miss Hattie L. Whitaker and Mr. Erskin R. Edmonson were married at the residence of Postmaster Jackson, Monday night. Rev. J. C. Holland performed the ceremony.

Millard Galloway, of Balsam Grove, passed through this city, Monday afternoon, on his way to Greenville, S. C., to look after the disposition of a drove of cattle which had been taken across the country by his sons.

Andrew Woods, aged 92 years, died recently at his home, near Wolf Mountain, Jackson county. He moved there in 1840, and assumed the role of a typical mountaineer, which he carried to his death. He was an estimable character.

Misses Mamie and Lola Shipman, two of Henderson county's excellent school teachers, were shopping in town last Saturday. Miss Mamie has just closed her school at Big Wallow. Miss Lola has been teaching at Dana.

S. J. Thomas, vice-president of the Hendersonville Wholesale Grocery Co., and traveling salesman for Hancock Bros., Lynchburg, Va., was in town last week. Mr. Thomas has been in the hospital for three months and this is his first visit to Hendersonville during this time. His many friends will be glad to know that his health is now steadily improving.

Miss Bessie Hodges will give a Valentine-Masquerade party, Friday night, at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Hodges, on Academy st. Refreshments will be served, games and guessing contests will be indulged in, and the young folks will do their best to celebrate the Saint's day in joyous fashion.

The following invitation has been received: Dr. George King Logan requests the honour of your presence at the marriage of his sister, May Overton, to Mr. Jules Blone Monroe, on Thursday evening, February the twenty-seventh, nineteen hundred and eight, at half past six o'clock, Newcomb Chapel, New Orleans, Louisiana.

W. P. Whitmore, of Brevard registered at the Gates on Monday.

John Grant says he is a candidate for Congress from the 10th district.

A. D. Asbury, the expert electrician of Greenville is working at the Gates.

S. W. Flushing and wife of Rome, N. Y., are in the city for a short time.

F. S. Wetmur has returned to his town home. Mr. Wetmur will return next winter, with his family, for a month's visit.

There are four Hendersonville patients in Biltmore Hospital—all under the care of Dr. Merriweather.

U. G. Staton, accompanied by his nephew, Tom Johnson, of Saluda, spent Tuesday in town.

The Misses Patton, of Flat Rock, will give a Valentine Party at their home on Friday night.

"Farm News," an excellent paper, free to new and renewing subscribers. For a limited time only.

Mr. Ben Posey of Murphy, who has been visiting Mrs. A. E. Posey, is now spending a short time with his mother here.

Miss Georgia Henderson, who has been the guest of Mr. and E. L. Osteen, has returned home, called there by the death of her aunt.

C. S. Clarke has returned from New Castle, Pa., where he has been an inmate of the hospital for some time. Mr. Clarke is much improved in health.

Miss Miriam Schell, teacher of languages at Fruitland Institute, accompanied Miss Gussie Dotson home last Friday and was a pleasant visitor at the Mountain City Inn, until Sunday.

Miss Gussie Dotson of Fruitland Institute and Miss Ethel Dotson, who is attending the Asheville Business school, came Friday afternoon and remained until Sunday with home folks.

E. L. White, of Skyland, who is slowly recovering from a recent operation, was in town Tuesday, attending a business meeting of the Asheville and Hendersonville Railroad Co.

Miss Mamie Hunt, Saluda Seminary Faculty, with Misses Francis McDaniel, Florence Graham and Ossie Gilbert, pupils, were shopping in town Saturday afternoon.

Mr. J. C. McGaha, an aged and highly esteemed citizen of Cedar Mountain, Transylvania county, was found dead in the mountains adjacent to his home, on Friday of last week. He was 76 years old and the father of ex-Sheriff V. D. McGaha, of Transylvania county. He had gone out to look for his hogs, which were running at large in the woods, and it is not known whether he died from heart failure or was frozen to death.

J. W. Murray, formerly a resident of Hendersonville, died yesterday afternoon at the Western Hotel, the home of his sister, Mrs. J. S. Steyens. Mr. Murray had been in failing health for years, and for the past two months had been confined to his room on account of illness. His death was not unexpected. A man of a quiet, unassuming disposition, he had many warm friends, both here and in his former home. Funeral services will be held this afternoon at the Western Hotel, conducted by Dr. R. F. Campbell, at 1:45. The remains will be taken to Hendersonville for interment.—Asheville Citizen.

G. M. Glazener will remove to his new store as soon as completed. In this issue, on last page, he mentions a few prices he has made on his fine stock! Not one dollar worth of these goods will be taken into the new store, and that is the reason for the quite remarkable price reductions he advertises.

Mr. Frank Valentine Dead.

Mr. Frank Valentine died at his home in this city on Sunday evening at 8 o'clock. He was 67 years of age. The funeral services were held on Tuesday afternoon, at 3.30, at St. James Episcopal Church, Rev. R. N. Wilcox and Rev. A. E. Stubbs officiating.

Mr. Valentine was born in England and was a graduate of Cambridge University. For several years he taught school in Asheville, and came to Hendersonville seven years ago.

He was a man of upright character, kindly disposition and the broadest culture. He is survived by his widow, five sons and two daughters.

Good Roads

The terrific conditions of the roads is an excellent argument for macadamizing even two or three miles each year.

THE AUDITORIUM BUILDING A WRECK

Unable to Stand the Strain of a Blanket of Snow and Many Mortgages, the Great Building Collapses and Is Almost a Total Wreck.

NO MORE CHAUTAUQUA FOR THIS TOWN



Photograph of the Wrecked Building, taken Especially for The Hustler

A scene of desolation and devastation. Over half the roof of the great building fallen in. The portions of the walls standing are bulging and tottering, threatening to cave in and complete the woeful wreck. Great massive beams, once part of the roof, now lying on the floor, distorted and twisted and torn. Chairs broken to splinters under the enormous weight resting upon them, in some instances, by a strange freak, being driven part way thro' the floor.

The stage—that wonderful stage!—where Broughton and Graves and Taylor and Sam Jones and many others have staged and delighted thousands, covered completely with a mass of wreckage, with the rear wall of the building forced entirely out.

Sometime during Wednesday night over one-half the roof of the great Auditorium fell in, caused, it is supposed, by the weight of snow with which it was covered.

The crash was heard for blocks, the walls partially collapsed, and the big building is a wreck. About one half the chairs are still uninjured. Should the rest of the building fall, as seems likely, they will all be destroyed.

The building was erected by the Hendersonville Auditorium Company, a year ago last September, at a cost of about \$5000. The land cost \$800. A contract was made with Dr. Clarence B. Strouse to hold an annual Chautauqua and Bible Conference there. Two such have been held in the building. After a rather interesting legal fight this contract was dissolved. The building, land, chairs and surrounding atmosphere are well plastered with mortgages. The financial loss falls upon Dr. Strouse, and it is now extremely unlikely that he will hold another Chautauqua here.

The above picture was made from a photo taken especially for the Hustler by A. F. Baker, the well known photographer. It shows the rear end of the building, and is an excellent picture of what was once the pride of every Hendersonvillian.

Mme. Schumann Heink

The local musical horizon is bright with promise. Shumann-Heink is the most wonderful contralto in the world to-day—for personality, for range and for quality and for strength of voice and for method also. No music student can afford to miss hearing her. No music student can afford to miss hearing good singers. With those able to make intelligent application of what they hear, Schumann-Heink would be worth a term of lessons. She is a marvellous woman—of great natural gift and large musical acumen. Better, however, than the mere faculty of revealing musical technique—is Shumann-Heink's faculty of pleasing an audience made up of the general public—fond of music, but not technical judges of it. There could scarcely be an event of the concert stage with a vocalist as the attraction that could be preferred to Shumann-Heink. Asheville and Hendersonville is lucky to have this chance of hearing her. Auditorium, Feb. 14th.

WORK OF LEGISLATURE.

Laws of General Character Passed by the Recent Extraordinary Session.

- The following acts of a general character were passed by the recent special session of the General Assembly:
- An act allowing twenty dollars to be appropriated from the general county fund, upon recommendation of the Chairman of the Pension Board, to provide for the payment of burial expenses of confederate pensioners.
- An act exempting from taxation, rents and profits of real estate used exclusively for charitable, religious or educational purposes.
- An act authorizing the Governor to employ counsel before the Inter-State Commerce Commission in the freight rate investigation and providing the payment of five thousand dollars towards defraying the expenses of the same.
- An act to compel attendance upon Indian schools, ten months in each year. This act applies only to persons having as much as one-sixteenth Indian blood.
- An act preventing seining for mountain trout with seine or net and repealing the law prohibiting the use of either.

Death of William W. Pace.

William W. Pace died at Flat Rock, February 9, 1908. He was born in Green River township in Henderson County in 1845. He has always lived in Henderson county, a farmer and the youngest son of Major L. J. Pace who died in this county 15 years since.

The deceased left a wife and nine children all under 20 years of age.

Such a slowness!

This is good weather to keep your feet dry—DRY—DRY.

The trial of Jo. Lance, who killed Miss Althea Green at Buena Vista is postponed one week.

True.

Hartlett Shipp says: "What if it is cold and snow in Hendersonville, think of the weather they are having in the Northern part of Alaska!"

CABBAGE PLANTS FOR SALE.—Hunter's Pharmacy has the agency for the celebrated Cabbage Plants that are "cold proof," raised by W. K. Sands & Sons, at Meggetts, S. C. Leave orders with them.

Judge James Hargis, the most famous Kentucky feudist, is killed by his own son. Shot down in drunken rage. Was a blood feud in the mountains.

Shoes, shoes, shoes. Cut prices at Shepherd's.

Shepherd's for shoes at cut prices. Cut prices on shoes at Shepherd's.

Will Build Handsome Residence

Henry Jordan has the contract for a handsome \$5,000 residence, to be erected by Mr. R. J. Tatum, of Bennettsville, S. C. It will be located on land purchased from Claude Brown, on State st., opposite Mr. Jordan's residence, and will be a handsome addition to that part of town. It will be finished by July 1st.

Mr. Tatum thinks there is no place quite like Hendersonville, and will spend a large part of each year in this city.

Will Be Big Crowd Here

Said a well known business man yesterday: "It is a fact that the low country people have the money these days, and we all know when they have it they come to the mountains in the Summer. I believe Hendersonville will have a record-breaking crowd next season."

That Terrible Bar!

"Wool, wool," cried the bear.

"Alright, I'm traveling fast as I can," said Harry Duffy, drawing his belt a notch tighter and touching only the high spots in his headlong flight down the mountain. "I didn't know you were there. I didn't want to disturb you. Besides I've got to get to town and help initiate a man into the K. P.'s. I'm in a hurry, too!"

And it was such a g-r-e-a-t-b-i-g-t-e-a-r, you just wouldn't hardly believe it, so you wouldn't!

Tuesday morning two parties of bear hunters started out to get the big bear which has been reported being seen near the reservoir.

One crowd, consisting of Harry Duffy, Geo. Guice, Lum Guice and Doc. Guice, with John Potts, went out Pleasant Hill way and hunted towards Mt. Pinnacle.

Another party, composed of Ernest Jordan, Jack Dalton, S. F. Garren, W. A. Garren, went to the reservoir and worked toward Mt. Hebron.

Det Reece missed connections with Mr. Duffy's party and went clear to the north side of Pinnacle, where he reports much luck.

And J. L. Thompson had a gun which measured four inches across the barrel and fired a two pound bullet. If Mr. Thompson had ever met that bear with that gun there wouldn't have been any bear left except the growl which scared Harry Duffy.

Both parties came back without the bear, altho' affidavits have been made that he was seen no later than last Friday, and the tracks in the snow showed claws about 'teen inches long.

On that day Will Garren, Southern and the Wright boys tracked his bearship to Jump Off mountain, the tracks leading from the reservoir close to Jeff McCarron's house.

P. F. Garren and Bob Bryant found the hollow tree, in Laurel Park, just above where Cushing's body was found, that was the bear's residence when at home. And close by, hanging to a tree, Bob found a great big bunch of black hair which had been torn from his hide—the bear's hide, of course—in his wanderings through the Park.

People in that part of town are now pretty well scared and almost afraid to go out o' nights until the animal has been captured or killed.

Wild Animals Wanted.

Wild cats, coons, skunks, ground hogs, foxes, or any other native animal wanted. Will pay a reasonable price. Hendersonville WALTER SMITH, Mgr. Laurel Park.

The Snow.

Snow, snow, Beautiful snow, How we hope You'll blame soon go.

Nearly seven inches of snow, some rain and now about two feet of delightful slush. This is the report of the Hustler's involuntary weather observer. The slush is quite damp. It's a good time to keep your feet dry and thus avoid pneumonia.

Shoes at cut prices at Shepherd's

Shoes and Shoes and Shoes. All at cut prices. Shepherd.

Just received, at "The Ideal," lot of

Fancy Fruit Baskets. Boys get busy, your best Girl will think more of you, if you will send her a nice Basket of Fruit.

The only exclusive Fruit and Candy Store in the City.

The Ideal Miss Nettie Le Grand, Prop.

Hendersonville the Home of Industries

75,000 Horsepower from Toxaway River. Gigantic Industrial Proposition. May Bring Electric Current to this City.

French capital has been attracted to Western North Carolina, and the result may mean that this part of the State will soon be alive with industries of every description.

J. R. Branijer, representing a syndicate of French capitalists, registered at the Hotel Gates last week. This is the third time this gentleman has been in Hendersonville. He has investigated the proposition of generating an enormous amount of electric current from Toxaway River and other streams, utilizing the storage features of Lake Toxaway, and his conclusions are entirely favorable to the proposition.

A noted French engineer is now on his way from Paris, and upon his report will rest the final decision of the syndicate. Utilizing Toxaway River below the lake, with a great power house at Caesar's Head, it is estimated that from 65,000 to 75,000 horse power will easily be generated.

The current will be transmitted even possibly as far as Atlanta, and to all the Piedmont section. In California electric current is now successfully used 240 miles from the point of generation.

Owing to the tremendous head of water, one of the highest in this country, 1740 feet, turbine wheels will not be used, but the highly successful Pelton wheel in-

stead, which was designed to meet such conditions.

It is said work may be started within 60 days.

Mr. Branijer has spent much time in carefully investigating the proposition, and he is highly enthusiastic over the prospect.

Should the French engineer verify his figures the gigantic proposition will be started at once.

What would this mean to Hendersonville and Henderson county?

That an unlimited amount of electrical energy will be available for every purpose.

It may mean the long-looked-for industries of which we have dreamed, and which would transform this county into a bee-hive of industry.

With its superb climatic advantages, its abundant labor, and now with cheap and unlimited power, there is no town in the South which could offer the inducements to capital that this town would be in a position to guarantee.

It would mean not dependence upon summer visitors ONLY, but a permanent payroll the year round, and that, above everything else on earth is just what Hendersonville needs and must have.

THIS BUSY TOWN!

Last Saturday there was an unusually large number of people in town from the country.

Friday, the 14th, is St. Valentine's day. Several pleasant social affairs are planned in the Saint's honor.

The Presbyterian Orphanage at Balfour will erect a school building on their property there.

Sure, the ground is covered with snow now, but think how fine its going to be this Spring and Summer.

The spasmodic advertiser achieves nothing. Keep your name before the public—ALWAYS—and results will follow.

A three weeks old baby girl abandoned by its mother in Asheville, on door step of ex-Sheriff Reed, has been adopted by W. G. Candler.

Hon. A. Cannon recently shipped the Arkansas Experimental Station some of his fine corn for which they had asked him.

The Balfour Baptist Church will thankfully receive any contribution from their friends to aid in finishing their new church. Address E. J. Rhodes or J. E. Allen, Balfour.

Don't forget the spraying demonstration at Dana on next Saturday. It should be of vital interest to every farmer in the county.

The Balfour Baptist Church have a small telescope organ which they are anxious to sell, and apply the proceeds to their new building. It is suitable for singings, meetings, etc., and is as good as new. Address E. J. Rhodes or J. E. Allen, Balfour, for particulars.

S. H. Hudgins has a timely article on meters in this issue. In Asheville the papers are fighting the meter proposition. The Hustler would be glad to print communications from its readers who have anything to say about the matter. Only conditions that it be short and have your name signed.

Contractor Henry Jordan has the job of improving that property belonging to C. E. Brooks, at the corner of Church and West College sts. It will be made into a handsome ten-room building, the grounds will be improved, and will make a most desirable residence when finished. The contract price is \$3,500.