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## ABOUT OUR People

Frank Smith, of Fletcher, was in the city Tuesday.

Judge C. M. Pace, left for Raleigh Tuesday, to remain until Saturday or Sunday.

BORN—Unto Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Flynn, a girl on Monday. Mother and child are doing well.

Captain Toms is planning for the erection of a two story brick building adjoining the Hustler building.

Mr. William E. Behuken, formerly manager of the Blue Ridge Granite-Brick Company, of Arden, died at his home in Asheville Monday.

H. M. Flynn, a merchant near the depot, had the pebble-dash wall taken down from his store and put metal sheathing on which improved the building greatly.

Mr. Israel, the efficient street overseer will probably finish the sidewalk near the depot soon as the weather permits. It is a very bad place in wet weather and should be fixed at once.

Miss Claude Youngblood, the 19-year-old daughter of Mr. N. E. Youngblood, a railroad engineer of Fayetteville, was burned to death Monday afternoon as a result of her clothing catching fire from an open stove.

Congressman-elect J. G. Grant announces that he has appointed G. H. Valentine, of this city as his private secretary. Mr. Valentine is eminently qualified to fill this position, and well deserves it.

Harry Kramer the trick cyclist appeared at the City Rink last Thursday night before a fair crowd. He is undoubtedly one of the best in the country. He will give another exhibition at the Rink in a short while.

Miss Charlotte Young will give an entertainment at the Flat Rock Graded School on the evening of Tuesday, Feb. 9th, in the interest of the school library. She should be greeted by a large audience.

Brownlow Jackson's new cottage on Park avenue is being pushed rapidly to completion. It will be one of the most attractive homes in the city. It has already been rented, and we understand Mr. Jackson will soon erect another one on the adjoining lot.

DIED, Sunday, Jan. 31, Harry, the two years and seven months old son of Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Drake, after a lingering illness of eight months. The interment occurred at Mud Creek Cemetery Monday, Rev. J. W. Moore conducting the funeral service.

C. E. Wilson returned home from Florida and Cuba last Saturday. He is delighted with his trip, and especially with the good work that he and Messrs. Smith and Williams were able to get in for Hendersonville. Doubtless the fruits of their work will speedily appear.

Mr. T. Jackson Henderson is making extensive improvements on this recently acquired property on the Haywood road. This part of town with Dr. Scheppegrell's magnificent country home there, with its beautiful little lake, is becoming one of the show places of Hendersonville, and is really developing into a magnificent park.

Mr. J. Williams, receiver of the Appalachian Interurban R. Co. and Bat Cave Ry. informs us that the prospect for building this important line is good, and arrangements are in progress that he thinks will result in its speedy construction. In fact, the work is already going on, and the fact of a receivership does not mean the abandonment of the enterprise.

## Cuba Invaded Florida Capt'd

By Our Advertising Committee—C. E. Wilson Writes of the Wonders Seen and Conquests Made.

W. A. Smith, J. Williams and myself left Hendersonville, January 11th, arriving at Jacksonville on the 12th, stopping at the new Palms Hotel, a perfect palace, splendidly kept by E. O. Dunham. Hearing our wonderful representations of Hendersonville, the proprietor wanted us to carry their literature and talk for them. I visited several of the hotels. Secretary of the Board of Trade, public officials, talking Hendersonville and distributing our literature.

On the 13th we went to St. Augustine, stopping at the Ponce de Leon hotel for dinner. This monster hostelry has about 1,000 rooms, so our party of 150 were easily accommodated. Met and talked to many people about Hendersonville, and distributed many of our booklets. There we secured berths for Knight's Key, and arose quite early to see the train running over the sea and the wonderful railroad—a grand sight indeed. Arriving at Knight's Key at 9 a.m. boarded a vessel for Halifax; talked so much of our town that passengers would cry out "Hello Hendersonville!" when they saw us coming.

Arrived at Havana about 8 o'clock, a.m., great party dividing, but most of them stopping at the Gran Hotel. We three were among those who stopped at the Brooklyn. Met more than 500 people in the Cuban capitol, calling on President Gomez, and leaving our booklets. I was complimented with meals at the Plaza, Gran, and Sevilla, everywhere being greeted as the "Hendersonville Booster." Remained in Havana one night after Messrs. Smith and Williams left me, to return with another large party, to tell them of the glories of Hendersonville.

On returning to Knight's Key my eating capacity was put to the test in comparing the princely meals spread before me by Mr. Kline, of the Halcyon Hall, and the Royal Palms, where I was complimented with regal entertainment.

I wish to thank Dr. Gramling many times for his courteous treatment there—introducing me to scores of business men and public officials, and giving me a delightful view of the country in his automobile. It was the time of my life among the orange groves. Don't think anyone in Miami failed to learn something about Hendersonville.

After having many of the Masons, their wives and daughters to come with me to bid farewell to Mirra. I proceeded to West Palm Beach to spend the night with Rev. Gibson and wife, who have so many friends in Hendersonville. They were exceedingly kind, Mrs. Gibson taking me around to meet her friends, affording an excellent opportunity for distributing our booklets, and talking Hendersonville. I was particularly interested in Geo. G. Currie, attorney, real estate, and nearly everything like our W. A. Smith. He furnished me a guide to go through the Poincianna, said to be the largest hotel in the world, showing me the lovely grounds and the many wonders of Palm Beach. Here I took one meal, went all through the mammoth structure and made Hendersonville known to many people. Another one of the Flagler hotels

W. A. SMITH

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MICHAEL SCHENCK

Jan. 27th, 1909.

Dear Hustler:

Allow me to congratulate the Hustler as being the quickest paper on record. Today, before the minutes of the cotton mill meeting had been transcribed by the secretary, it was printed in the Hustler and being read by your subscribers. There is but one thing that our people have to regret with regard to the Hustler and that is that you have not got another Hustler to boost the Hustler. I am proud of your paper.

Yours truly,

W. A. Smith.

### is the Breakers by the Sea.

These two hotels will accommodate 5,000 guests. The Royal Poincianna has 1,160 rooms, 450 private baths, 7 stories high, main dining room covers two-thirds of an acre and will seat 1600 people; there are over 1200 employees with an average daily payroll of \$1,500, daily cost of provisions, \$2,500, over 16,000 electric lights, post office, express and telegraph office, stores, daily newspaper, and in fact is a city within itself—wonderful opportunity to tell about Hendersonville.

I spent five days in Jacksonville, attending the state fair and going from house to house, talking Hendersonville. Visited the Green Cove Springs, meeting Mr. N. B. Ivey, county treasurer and owner of the water works. Capt. Geo. W. Hulvey and wife gave me a royal time, taking me up Black Creek in their yacht. This stream is one of nature's wonders—so clear you can't tell from sight whether the trees were growing under or on top of the water. Capt. Hulvey conducts a military school at Green Cove Springs, and everything moves with military precision. The captain and his grand wife had me up by five a.m., gave me breakfast and went to Jacksonville with me. Don't you think such examples should arouse us to do more for our friends and strangers when they are in our beautiful city?

I visited Savannah, stopping at the finest hotel, meeting numbers of leading business men, Secretary Chamber of Commerce and other officials, and distributing our booklets. Also took in Columbia, S. C., visiting the governor and legislature, newspaper men, bankers and merchants, talking Hendersonville. I highly appreciate special favors shown by Mr. Mimnaugh, a good friend of our city, and our genial friend Sam Wheeler, whose whole-souled hospitality I enjoyed for one night.

I met Paul J. Saunders, traffic agent of the Peninsular and Occidental Steamship Co. He will bring a large excursion party from Havana to Hendersonville during the summer, and we must be ready to entertain them. Mr. Saunders expects to buy a home in our city and spend his summers here. I met many people on my rounds who are already interested in Hendersonville, and are coming to the "Land of the Sky" during the summer.

Our party were so well pleased with one of those big hotels that we decided to buy it, but finding the price to be \$3,500,000, we rattled our pocket change a little and backed out—alho I really believe Col. Smith would have been willing to exchange Laurel Park for it, for just a little to boot.

But I am making this letter too long. It would take a book to tell it all. May write more next week.

C. E. WILSON.

### Dwelling House Burned.

Mr. Norman Reed, who lives some two miles South of town, had the misfortune to lose his dwelling house by fire last Sunday afternoon. The family were seated around the fire in the living room, when they suddenly discovered that the roof was in flames. The wind caused the fire to spread rapidly, and before the furniture could be removed the roof was falling in. He managed to save most of his provisions, stored in a back room, but practically all his furniture was lost.

Mr. Reed's loss is about \$700, less \$200 insurance.

### Must Have The Hustler.

Mr. W. Paul Henry, ordering the Hustler sent to his grandmother, Mrs. W. A. J. Barnett, says:

"She says that she has taken the Hustler since its first copy, and that her husband was one of its first advertisers, and that she is now in Atlanta where she gets the leading southern papers daily, she does not feel at home without the Hustler."

### Lucky Kids.

Gaffney, S. C.  
Jan 25, '09

Editor Hustler:

Dear Sir:—I received my scissors all O. K. My wife says they are fine. She has made all the kids a new suit just because she liked to use them so well.

Yours truly,  
E. J. SITTON.

### WALDEN THE MAGICIAN.

Read what the Atlanta Georgian has to say about Walden who is to be the Lyceum attraction here Feb., 5th.

"The star attraction in an entertainment for the children at the Chautauqua Wednesday was Lorenzo Walden, the magician. It is the consensus of opinion that many of his tricks of the mystic art have never been surpassed. His entertainment was clever and artistic in the highest degree. A notable feature of his entertainment is the unaffected ease and simplicity with which he performs his mysterious feats. As a magician he is a revelation to Atlanta people. His performance was continuous mirth and mystery from start to finish."

### FIRST ACT PASSED.

District Attorney of New York has well said, the poor has but little showing in law with the rich. But all are equal when they are buying from RIGBY-MORROW & CO. See our stock before buying Fresh first-class Doors, Sash, Lime, Cement, Patented Plaster (Ivory) Flooring, Ceiling, Moulding, Roofing, Shingles, Deadening Felt and Mantels. Special attention to mail orders.  
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### To My Hendersonville Friends

I regret exceedingly to leave Hendersonville and my Hendersonville friends. I have been in this beautiful town for seven years, have watched its rapid growth and become more and more attached to its people the longer I stay. My dealings with everyone here have been the most satisfactory and I shall feel only regret when my Hendersonville ties are severed.

While I am leaving here myself I shall continue the Book Store under competent management. I have secured the building in the Bailey block now occupied by Mr. Michael's music house and will move the book store to that place about March 1st.

As I am leaving no one in the store for the present but Miss Aiken and have no one to do collecting, I am turning this part over to Messrs. Smith and Schenck, not as my attorneys, but as my agents, and trust all my friends will be glad to see them and extend to them a hearty welcome when they call.

With a heart full of the warmest friendship and gratitude to you all, believe me,

Sincerely,  
CHAS. E. PLESS.

### The Cotton Mill.

On account of the unavoidable absence of some of the leading spirits in the movement for a cotton mill, the members of the committee who met Monday decided to postpone definite action to another meeting when all the members can be present.

The proposition heretofore mentioned is being considered in a business like manner, and our people generally are enthusiastic over the prospect.

No jury has yet been secured for the trial of the Coopers for the murder of Ex-Senator Carmack, although some 1,500 men have been tested as to their qualifications, requiring more than two weeks time.

### NOT A TIDAL WAVE, BUT AN OVERFLOW

Creates Excitement at Store of Hendersonville Mercantile Company.

There was a big overflow in the Hendersonville Mercantile Co.'s store Monday morning, caused by the bursting of frozen water pipes, and a considerable quantity of their large stock was partially damaged.

The goods are being sorted out and they are preparing to throw anything that was the least damaged on the market at just any old price, and will have a special sale for this purpose.

In the lot will be found dress goods, Ladies' underwear, beautiful skirts, clothing, shoes, many other articles. These goods are just as good for actual use as they ever were, but not in first class saleable condition, so that it will be a rare opportunity for economical buyers.

Watch for announcement of date of the special sale.

Senator Hay's measure to allow a rate of interest as high as 8 per cent in cases of special contract was killed by a vote of 29 to 3 Tuesday. Such a provision would practically annul the present interest law.

### Notice to Tax Payers.

Water rents are now payable. If paid by 10th inst. a discount of 20 per cent will be saved. Your town taxes are due, and the time for advertising property is not far away.

The dog tax must be paid, or the law will be enforced.  
Yours faithfully,  
S. Y. BRYSON,  
City Tax Collector.

## ABOUT OUR Town!

Walden, the famous magician, will be here February 5th.

Chickens and eggs are scarce and in good demand.

That other wedding is likely to take place in a very short time.

Geo. G. Smith, of Asheville, spent Monday here on business.

We are glad to report that the sick ones of Sam T. Hodge's family are steadily improving.

The churches were all closed Sunday night on account of the extreme cold weather.

Luckily Hendersonville escaped the snow and icy coat that covered Asheville during the recent blizzard.

Monday's calm and bright sunshine was greatly enjoyed after the wind and bluster of the two preceding days.

Yes the Scissors proposition is still open—but under the present contract with manufacturers we must add fifteen cents to the subscription price.

Sunday was the coldest day of the season, the thermometer playing around zero early in the morning. This was our part of an unusual spell that gripped the entire South Atlantic section.

It's now Bryson and Hamilton instead of the Star Wood & Dray Co., and they are ready to sell you wood, move heavy or light machinery, or excavate for your new building.

The Sylva Journal speaks in very complimentary terms of Mr. J. Ernest Banning, formerly of this city, who was happily married last week to Miss Birdie L. Rogers, one of Sylva's most charming young ladies.

Sunday was "Orphan's Home day" with the Sunday Schools, and we are requested to state that those who failed to attend may turn their contributions over to the treasurer or pastors of the various churches.

The farmers of Henderson county are as much interested in the building of a cotton mill as the property owners of the city. It means an increased demand and better prices for everything they produce. All who can should take stock in the mill. It will be a profitable investment in more ways than the direct dividends paid on stock.

We are in receipt of an invitation to attend the "Southern Children's Industrial Assembly" and award of prizes to the boys and girls who have so faithfully worked to show that the Southern children are endowed with mechanical skill, energy and ability equal to the children in any section of the United States, at Wadesboro, N. C., Feb. 5th. This is education in the right direction.

Sewer connections with the row of new business houses on the old Irwin Place has been established by a line of sewer running from the alley back of the buildings to Main street. A 15 inch surface water pipe has been laid on top of the sewer pipe, which will take all the surface water from Broad street, from the buildings and the alley, saving much mud from being washed into to Main street. The alley is on a level with Main st.

A new real estate company has been organized, composed of J. L. Orr, of Hendersonville, and L. E. Fisher, formerly of Salisbury. They will have an office on Main street, and will be ready for business March 1st. These gentlemen are thoroughly posted in this line of business, and we predict for them a lively business. They will make more definite announcement in the near future.