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## Some of the Wonderful Tourist, Climatic, Agricultural, Industrial and Commercial Advantages of Henderson County Graphically Told in The Democrat's Annual

### Hendersonville; Briefly Described

- Florist.
- Bakery.
- Dairies.
- Abattoir.
- Canneries.
- Creamery.
- Ice factory.
- Social club.
- Two Banks.
- Restaurants.
- Six churches.
- Hosiery mills.
- New hospital.
- Poultry farms.
- Steam laundry.
- Bottling works.
- Street car line.
- Numerous lakes.
- Two newspapers.
- Commercial club.
- Four drug stores.
- Military company.
- Newspaper dealers.
- Visitors colony clubs.
- Public bathing beach.
- Two telegraph offices.
- New Carnegie library.
- Splendid sewer system.
- Plenty of amusements.
- New telephone system.
- Fleet School for Boys.
- Free city mail delivery.
- Beautiful natural parks.
- Stores of various kinds.
- Several fraternal lodges.
- Three lumber companies.
- Whole time health officer.
- Three Wholesale Grocers.
- Adequate fire department.
- Fassifern School for Girls.
- Book and stationery store.
- Well equipped power plant.
- Blue Ridge School for Boys.
- Building and loan association.
- Finest of manufacturing sites.
- New \$70,000 postoffice building.
- Two commercial printing plants.
- Surrounded by best farming lands.
- Junction point of Southern railway.
- Up-to-date hotels and boarding houses.
- 75,000 H. P. water development under way.
- Lakes and streams for boating and fishing.
- One of the finest court houses in the State.
- Whole time farm demonstrator for the county.
- One of finest graded school buildings in the State.
- Many miles of beautiful, well-graded sand-clay roads.
- Miles of bitulithic paved streets and cement sidewalks.
- Physicians, dentists, osteopaths, opticians and attorneys.
- Plenty of building contractors, insurance and real estate agents.
- Good water and preparations under way for new shed for supplying growing city.



Overlooking Hendersonville, N. C.

Hendersonville, the county seat of Henderson county, is one of the most attractive little cities in a growing section of the South. It is situated on the main line of the Southern railroad between Cincinnati and Charleston, and is the gateway to the "Beautiful Sapphire" country. It is easy of access to all points throughout the United States and is served by many passenger trains each day.

#### Between 4,000 and 5,000 Population.

Hendersonville has a population of between 4,000 and 5,000 hospitable people, many of whom have adopted this as their home. It has one of the most desirable climates found anywhere on this continent, being 2,250 feet above sea level, assuring cool summers and mild winters. This fact makes it one of the most widely-known summer resorts, and its winter tourist business is largely on the increase. The city is well supplied with hotels and modern boarding houses that are equipped to take care of thousands of guests at all seasons.

#### Efficient Health Work.

There is an abundance of the best water for domestic and manufacturing purposes. The city has installed a modern and sanitary system of sewers, and health measures in conformity with those in force in all desirable resort cities are enforced. There is a health officer whose duty it is to administer the laws of the city in regard to all sanitation, including milk and meat inspection. Hendersonville is proverbially a healthy place, there being but two deaths from typhoid fever in the city during the year 1914—the latest statistics available.

#### City is Admirably Situated.

Hendersonville is a well laid out city, occupying a sheltered position at the western extremity of an extensive plateau, whose average is more than 2,000 feet above the sea level. Its streets are well-kept, clean, and broad. Shade trees line the roadways and flowers, and lawns of beautiful blue grass are maintained by private householders. There are several miles of cement sidewalk

within the city limits, and the main thoroughfares are paved with a bitulithic composition. There are two lines of street railways chartered, and a well appointed hack service affords facilities for getting about at small cost. The drainage of the city is such as to carry off all surplus rain within a short time, making it possible to be out of door at all seasons of the year with pleasure.

#### Commercial and Industrial Activity.

From an industrial standpoint Hendersonville has a live city council and two com-



Typical Mountain Scenery.

mercial organizations. Among the enterprises already possessed by Hendersonville are those enumerated on this page.

#### Good Farming Country.

The lands of Henderson county are rich and fertile, and are dotted with prosperous fruit, grain and trucking farms. Her apple

### Hendersonville; Things Desired

- Truckers.
- Poultrymen.
- Orchardists.
- Roller mills.
- Cotton mills.
- Stock growers.
- New farming blood.
- Furniture factories.
- Hardwood industries.
- Big opportunities await men with enterprise and small capital in many lines of undeveloped possibilities.

crop last year amounted to more than 1,000,000 bushels; her corn crop to more than 100,000 bushels. The value of her cabbage crop runs into the thousands of dollars each season. Canning factories make it an easy matter to dispose of any surplus fruits and vegetables.

A whole time county farm demonstrator is employed and is busy all the time introducing the latest and most approved methods of farming successfully. Greater co-operation has resulted from his efforts, and a more general interest in all things for the betterment of farm life is evidenced throughout the county.

Real estate is active in Hendersonville, the prices being good and a considerable amount of property exchanges hands annually.

#### Unlimited Water Power.

Fine water power is within a few miles of the city, and some of this has already been developed and is being utilized to turn the wheels of industry, and to light the city. Other and larger developments of hydroelectric power are in sight, when the city and county will have unlimited power to induce manufacturing concerns to locate here.

#### 50,000 Visitors Last Year.

The season of 1914 was the banner year in the tourist business of this city, there being more than 50,000 tickets sold to this and near by points, within the county. For several years past the number of visitors to this section has shown a steady increase, and the outlook is better now than at any time previous. Hendersonville is striving to keep up with the demands of the visitors, and that she is not making a failure of it is attested to by the fact that the greater number of her visitors call this place "home" in the summer.

Hendersonville and Henderson county have live progressive citizens, who will welcome the farmer, capitalist, manufacturer, tourist, home-seeker, mechanic, and all desirable persons who will come and live amongst us.



Main Business Thoroughfare, Hendersonville, N. C.