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200 One Dollar ready-to-wear Ladies' Wash Skirts, white and colored for 40c
100 Pieces of fast colored Lawns 3c and 4c
Yard wide fast colored Percales 6c
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Yard wide Fern Serim for curtains 5c
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Melusine Mercerised colored Lawns 10c
50 inch Black and colored Brillantine 50c
54 inch Ladies' Black and colored Repellent 45c
45 inch all wool Suing Black and colored 60c
200 Misses' Trimmed Sailor Hats 25c
200 Ladies' Trimmed ready-to-wear Hats 50c
Mattings, Carpets and Oil Cloth 12c to 25c
Rugs and Art Squares, great variety 25c up
Crockery, Tinware and Agateware
Full line of May Manton's paper Patterns in stock one price 10c each
Infants', Misses' and Boys' Shoes and Slippers
R. & G. Corsets all sizes 50c

S. JOHNSTON, 39 MAIN STREET



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If you want to buy or sell property, don't fail to see

STATON, RECTOR, CUNNINGHAM & CO.,
OFFICE IN COURT HOUSE

FREE! FREE!

A nice set of plates or cups and saucers at Staton Bros. Come in and let me explain how you get them. We have some of the best values ever offered in clothing etc.

All wool English Meltons cheap at \$10.00 our price while they last \$6.50. All Wool hard finish worsted will cost you \$12.50 any where in town our price \$8.50.

Youths suits positively worth up to \$12.50 your choice while they last \$8.50.

200 hats all styles and shapes positively worth up to \$2.00 your choice while they last at 98c don't miss them.

Cut prices on pants, see them and be convinced that we sell cheaper than any one.

15 Globe Cultivators to close at \$3.19
100 hoes best steel riveted shanks while they last 30c

A nice line of neat and nobby patterns in spring and summer dress goods cheaper than the cheapest.

Try a sack of our flour the best in town. A complete stock of nice fresh groceries.

Our store is opposite the New Court House. You are cordially invited to visit our store and be convinced that this is the place to trade.

STATON BROS.

AUCTION SALE

SATURDAY, JUNE 9

Sale commences 11 am to
1 p. m., and 3 p. m.
to 6 p. m.

E. LEWIS & SON

Opposite Imperial Hotel. Hendersonville, N. C.

Edison's Visit

"The Wizard" Sees Our City and Calls on The Times--L. Looking for Cobalt

Thomas Alva Edison, the world's greatest inventor, arrived in Hendersonville at noon Monday, and after dinner paid a visit to THE TIMES office.

To a representative of this paper he spoke freely of the purposes of his trip. He said he was traveling through this part of the South looking for cobalt. He has already spent some time in the Piedmont section and is gradually moving westward with his party in two large automobiles.

In reply to our inquiry what he wanted cobalt for, Mr. Edison said:

"For my storage battery. I can make it lighter,—reduce the weight from sixty pounds to forty or forty-five pounds. I already have a few in use and they are satisfactory; if we find cobalt in sufficient quantities to reduce the expense, the traction problem will be solved."

"Do you find any indications around here?" THE TIMES man asked.

"I don't think there is any between here and Columbus," said Mr. Edison; "but my men who are making a preliminary investigation west of here send in good reports."

"How does cobalt occur? Associated with manganese?" we asked.

"Yes, manganese is a good indication. It often leads up to cobalt."

"Then you ought to have good luck in Jackson county," said THE TIMES man; "I went through there a number of years ago with a German mineralogist who said he found a good deal of manganese."

The inventor promptly sat up and took notice. He asked the German mineralogist's name and particulars. He went on to say that he was hoping for good results not only in Jackson county but also at a place in Tennessee where he had men at work prospecting.

Mr. Edison is a man of noticeable appearance, with bright blue eyes, a strong face and abundant white hair. His picture has adorned our office wall for nearly five years, and he examined it and smilingly acknowledged the likeness, which is very striking.

He told us that he used to work in a print shop, and laughed as he recalled his experience, with the old time Washington hand press. He was interested in our office plant. He examined our Campbell newspaper press, and when he found the maker's name he said, "Campbell? Yes, I know him. His son used to work for me."

He went to the case to see if he could remember the boxes, saying, "Let me see; I used to know. Yes, this is 'e'; is this 'h'? Yes, now where is 'y'?" But the "y" was too much for him and he abandoned the search. The proof-press next attracted his alert attention. "Hello, I know this; 'h' is where you take galley-proof," he said; adding, with his ready smile, "You see, I haven't forgotten." As he left the office he stopped to give us an advertisement for mineral specimens. The ad appears on our local page.

By his approachableness and his simple, genial manners, Mr. Edison made many friends in Hendersonville. He spoke pleasantly of this city and section. Before he left our office he looked across the street at the court house and praised it highly. He said that it was the finest court house he had seen in his travels and that it would do credit to New York city.

DEATH OF SCOTT BROWN

Scott Brown, lessee and manager of the Pine Grove Lodge, died suddenly at 7 o'clock last Friday evening. His death was caused by acute gastritis and other troubles. He had been feeling unwell for several days, but no serious result was anticipated until Friday afternoon when he became unconscious. Dr. W. R. Kirk was sent for, but his efforts were unavailing and Mr. Brown never recovered consciousness.

Mr. Brown came to Hendersonville last summer. He was an experienced hotel man, having engaged in that business in Salisbury and Greensboro as well as several places in South Carolina. He was a kind-hearted man and very popular. He leaves a widow, two sons, mother and brother. His mother lives in Statesville and his brother in Greensboro. One of his sons is in the express business at Rock Hill, S. C., and the other is Hendersonville. Mrs. Brown will take the management of the Pine Grove Lodge for the present season.

The family have the sympathy of the community in their loss.

TO HELP THE HOSPITAL

Concert to be given at the Opera House To-night

All persons who wish to help a good cause and at the same time hear some good music will have an opportunity tonight. A concert will be given at the opera house for the benefit of the Hendersonville hospital. The hour is 9 p. m. sharp. Everybody is asked to help the cause by attending.

The following program has been arranged:

A sleep in the deep	Petrie
S. T. Hodges jr.	
Cavatina	Bohm
Mrs. F. W. Ewbank	
How "Ruby" Played	G. W. Bagby
Miss Hobards	
Kathleen Mavourneen	Crouch
Miss B. Crouse	
Apart	Vandewater
Mrs. J. F. Brooks	
Reading	Selected
Miss Edwards	
Madrienne	Stultz
C. E. Pless	
Reading	Selected
Miss Helen Reid.	

EPISCOPAL CONVENTION

The eighth annual convention of the Episcopal church in the district of Asheville will meet in the St. James' church Hendersonville at 10:30 o'clock next Wednesday morning. The session will continue until Friday. Everybody will be welcome at all the meetings and services.

The special convention sermon will be preached at the 11 o'clock service Wednesday morning. Rt. Rev. Junius M. Horner, bishop of the District of Asheville, will deliver his annual address Wednesday. The hour of that address and the hours of other meetings and services will be published later.

The annual convention of the Woman's Auxiliary will meet Tuesday. The first session will be at 5 p. m. There will be a public service, with special missionary address in St. James church the same evening at 8 o'clock.

The Very Best Remedy for Bowel Trouble

Mr. M. F. Borroughs, an old and well-known resident of Bluffton, Ind., says: "I regard Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy as the very best remedy for bowel trouble. I make this statement after having used the remedy in my family for several years. I am never without it." This remedy is almost sure to be needed before the summer is over. Why not buy it now and be prepared for such an emergency? For sale by Hunter's Pharmacy.

WEATHER REPORT

Following is the weather report of Hendersonville for the week ending June 6:

DATE	MAX.	MIN.	MEAN.
May 31	83	56	70
June 1	82	60	71
June 2	79	60	70
3	77	56	66
4	79	62	70
5	79	64	72
6	85	60	72

Maximum	85
Minimum	56
Mean max.	81
Mean min.	60
Mean	70
Precipitation	1.55

If your stomach troubles you do not conclude that there is no cure, for a great many have been permanently cured by Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. Try them, they are certain to prove beneficial. They only cost a quarter. Sold by Hunter's Pharmacy.

Crowded street cars are places in which to study the other side of humanity.

But the man who pays his debts usually has more money than the man who doesn't.

An Alarming Situation frequently results from neglect of clogged bowels and torpid liver, until constipation becomes chronic. This condition is unknown to those who use Dr. King's New Life Pills; the best and gentlest regulators of Stomach and Bowels. Guaranteed by Justice's drug store. Price 25c.

More Improvements

Brownlow Jackson's new house on West Academy street, half a block from the postoffice, is practically completed. It is a handsome pebble-dash structure, two and a half stories, and contains twenty rooms. It is well built and conveniently arranged. The dining room will accommodate ninety persons. Each of the upper stories contains a bath room and toilet room.

The building cost about \$4,500. It has been rented for a term of three years to Mrs. Gover who already has a lease on Mr. Jackson's other house on the same lot. Like most other Hendersonville residences, the new building commands beautiful and extensive views.

Dock Hyder does not believe in exposing his large stock of goods to unnecessary danger of fire; and he decided some time ago to replace his wooden store by a modern brick building. The work on this is now being pushed and word has gone forth that it will be completed by July 15. The cost will be \$3,000.

The magnificence of the mountain scenery all around Hendersonville is vividly impressed upon the mind of everybody who steps onto the upper balcony of the Blue Ridge Inn. On the north and south are delightful vistas of forest-clad hills, with Main street (the finest street in the state) in the foreground. Towards the northeast, east and southeast is a wonderful long-distance view, with Sugar Loaf as the center of attraction; Tryon and numerous other mountains add to the beauty of the scene. On the northwest is a glimpse of the

Transylvania Balsams. The Blue Ridge Inn has added a hundred per cent. to its attractiveness by the construction of the piazza and balcony, to say nothing of the interior improvements which are now being rapidly pushed to completion. It is a hotel of which many much larger cities might well be proud.

Ten weeks ago THE TIMES announced that every room in the Gates hotel would be equipped with a telephone. Even in cities ten times the size of Hendersonville it is unusual to find a hotel with such accommodations, and some of our readers were skeptical about the accuracy of the announcement. But the work of installing one hundred telephones in the Gates hotel has already begun;

and Charles W. Hunt, manager of the local telephone plant, tells us that the task will be completed next week. This is a big thing for the Gates, and for Hendersonville.

Contractor McCrary announces that the seven-room pebble-dash cottage which he is putting up on West College street for H. S. Anderson will be completed by the beginning of July.

The campaign of improvement is not confined to Hendersonville itself, but extends throughout the county. A number of instances may be cited. THE TIMES has already called attention to the Scheppgrell place, just beyond the city limits; and some further particulars will be of interest. Contractor McCrary says that the dwelling house will be ready by July 15, and that there will also be a servants' house, a stable and a carriage house, the total cost of the buildings being about \$7,500. Work on the lake will be begun this summer; the depth of the water at the dam will be about 20 feet. In addition to the buildings and the lake, there will be some extensive and costly improvements on the grounds.

From various parts of the city one gets a glimpse of some building operations among the trees on a hillside south of Laurel Park. This is the remodeling and enlargement of the H. S. Anderson cottage which Miss Atkinson now owns. The cottage being converted into a three-story house. Contractor McCrary tells us that the cost will be about \$5,000 and that the work is to be completed by June 15.

Going further afield we find evidences of improvement in the eastern and western parts of the county. The new graded school building at Da. is about completed and the citizens of that section are justly proud of the accomplishment. They propose to take another step forward by erecting a twenty-seven room dormitory for girls, and plans are being discussed for forming a joint stock company for this purpose.

In the Mills River section a new Presbyterian church is being erected. The location is between King's bridge and the Mills River bridge. Work was begun Monday. The building is to be pebble-dash and the cost about \$2,000. The contractor informs us that he expects to complete the church by the beginning of September.

Selecting Your Toilet Soap

The health of your skin depends largely upon the selection of your toilet soap. Impure soap is often the unsuspected cause of many minor skin irritations.

Be sure to use a good, pure soap for all toilet purposes.

If you will permit us to be your guide we will help you to choose a toilet soap which will be just right in every way. We have a collection of many good, pure toilet soaps at low prices.

Hunter's Pharmacy

Near the Postoffice.

The Justus Pharmacy

Always Have the Best of Everything in the DRUG LINE.

The Drug Store on the Corner