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## HICKORY'S NEW HOTEL

Hickory has at last taken the step which will place her on equal footing with her sister cities of the progressive order. In the matter of first-class hotel accommodations at least a step will come as a natural consequence.

Since the destruction by fire of the Hickory Inn two years ago hotel accommodations have been rather limited and as a result the better class of travel, and especially winter and summer tourists passed us by, going to Asheville, Charlotte and other points where they could be accommodated.

It was thought for some time that Frank Laughlan, who owned the Hickory Inn, would rebuild, but it recently became known that he had no such intentions in the near future and the more enterprising citizens began to cast about for a suitable site, which was found, but the owner and the purchasers could not come to terms.

Finally the Hickory Chamber of Commerce, realizing the importance of the project, took a hand and as a result Dr. D. L. Fry and William P. Huffman, his brother-in-law purchased from N. M. Seagle the square on which his residence is situated, between Ninth and Tenth avenues and fronting on Twelfth street.

Architect W. L. White is now preparing plans and they will begin the construction at once of a first-class and up-to-date hotel, which is to be a four story brick structure, sixty-four rooms, besides spacious dining rooms, parlors, sample rooms, halls and corridors, all of which will be steam heated. A private electric plant will furnish the lights, and operate passenger and trunk elevators. There will be rooms in suits with private baths and every modern convenience required by the most fastidious, besides ample provisions, for less pretentious, in order to meet any demand arising.

The building will be so constructed that all rooms will have the advantage of sunshine and fresh air. There will be the main building and two wings with an open court in between. The location is slightly elevated, commanding a beautiful view of the Blue Ridge mountains in the distance. A magnificent lawn with shade trees will surround the building. Walks and drives will be arranged so as to approach the hotel from either of the three streets on which it is located and the whole arrangement is artistically executed as money and skill can make it.

When completed it will involve the outlay of between sixty and seventy-five thousand dollars and will be built with a view of making an addition of from twenty to forty more rooms.

Mr. Huffman and Dr. Fry will have the management of the hotel in their own hands. Their popularity, pleasant address and genial natures bespeak for them success.

Mr. Huffman is an old resident of Hickory. He served the city and vicinity in various capacities for quite awhile as postmaster in which he gained the friendship and admiration of the entire community, due to the fact that he was most accommodating, courteous and ever striving to please.

At present he is one of the city fathers, occupying the responsible and important office as chairman of street committee, and as such, has done much for

Hickory in the improvement of her streets.

Dr. Fry who has been a practicing physician but now retired, is also very popular and well-known both here and in several states, having traveled extensively and made many friends.

The name of the new hotel will be the Huffry Inn, which is a combination of a part of Mr. Huffman's name and all of Dr. Fry's.

The work on the building begins at once and will be pushed to completion. It is believed that it will be open for guests by the latter part of the summer.

In the mean while the citizens of Hickory will co-operate with these gentlemen and help them to expedite the construction as much as possible.

### Help Boost Hickory.

I have noticed that in the last four months a few of Hickory's citizens have been doing quite a lot to help Hickory along. I think these men deserve much credit for their untiring efforts to do their town a service. Before the panic struck us, Hickory had better prospects than any town of her size in the Piedmont section. But now as long as we sit with our hands folded the effects of the panic are going to stay with us. Hickory needs action on the part of her citizens. Let us all join in with these fellow citizens of ours, who have the good of our town so much at heart, and show them that we are with them for action as well as for words. Let Uncle Sam put the government building wherever he thinks best. It is going to help us no matter on which side of the railroad it is built. Let us also work for a first class opera house. If we had such a building we would get all of the first class shows that come to Charlotte, Greensboro, Asheville and the rest of our leading cities. We are very glad to learn that we have a first class hotel at last. It is something we have needed for a long time. The paper that is doing this earns the thanks of all who have the interest of Hickory at heart. So now fellow citizens let us give these men who are trying to do something for our town, all the encouragement we can and see how much boosting beats kicking.

"Booster,"

### Football Game at Newton.

Yesterday afternoon the Newton graded school football team played a fine game on the home field with the Hickory graded school team. The eleven were well matched, and the game was full of interest from start to finish, and was greatly enjoyed by all who saw it. The Hickory boys were rather larger in size than those of the home team. At the close of the game the score stood 7 to 6 in favor of Newton. The touchdown for Newton was made by George Hoover, and that for Hickory was made by Claude Price, Gus Lowe kicking their goal.

### DON'T GET A DIVORCE.

A western judge granted a divorce on account of ill-temper and bad breath. Dr. King's New Life Pills would have prevented it. They cure Constipation, causing bad breath and Liver Trouble, and the ill-temper to disappear, dispel colds, banish headaches, conquer chills. 25c at C. M. Shuford, W. S. Martin & Co., and Moser & Lutz.

To be sure the department stores tell you that if their goods are not satisfactory you can return them. Sure! But you have to pay express or freight both ways and you decide to keep them. If the goods bought of your home merchant are not satisfactory you take them back and it costs you nothing.

### More About Our Needs.

We mentioned incidentally in our article last week, the need of a Chataqua and Lyceum course for Hickory. The people the world over are becoming more and more awakened to the need of education. The Chataqua is a distinctly educational institution and is especially adapted to the needs of the business men. The Chataqua brings to our town the greatest talent of the country thus affording an exceptional opportunity for the busy man to widen his field of information. The Chataqua lecture gives us the very cream of knowledge in a condensed form. This much then for the knowledge to be gained by our citizens.

This course will bring many pleasure seekers to our town during the summer months who will spend hundreds of dollars in the city and thus go away to advertise our town among their friends.

The same may be said of the Lyceum Course. This furnishes entertainment for all our people and for the stranger within our gates. We are compelled to admit that our town is dead now. The Vaudeville, or Carnival is all that our town usually affords in the way of entertainment. And the citizens of Hickory are themselves to blame for this condition of affairs. Our town is just what we make it. So long as we are dead, our town will be dead. We cannot hope for an improvement over present conditions until we ourselves get "a unanimous hump on." Useful and instructive entertainments could be as easily obtained as the cheap worthless show. The Chataqua has accomplished untold good in the world and there is no reason why Hickory should not receive her share of the good to be derived from such an institution.

It is true that money is required to maintain such courses, but nothing worth while comes to us free. And we should not want something for nothing. Our churches and schools have cost us considerable in effort and money, yet we would not do without them. Who would dare claim that a church or a school is not worth the effort and the money necessary for its establishment? Who of our citizens does not feel proud of the schools and churches in Hickory.

Besides the Chataqua and Lyceum we have now the opportunity of securing a Y. M. C. A. if our people will only grasp the privilege.

We shall not discuss these matters further in this article but we hope our people will consider these matters further and give them attention at once.

### A BAPTIST ELDER.

### Restored to Health by Vinol.

"I was run down and weak from indigestion and general debility, also suffered from vertigo. I saw a cod liver preparation called Vinol advertised and decided to give it a trial, and the results were most gratifying. After taking two bottles I regained my strength and am now feeling unusually well." Henry Cunningham, Elder Baptist Church, Kingston, N. C.

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All such persons in this vicinity are asked to try Vinol on our offer to refund their money if it fails to give satisfaction. Moser & Lutz.

### AT LENOIR COLLEGE.

"Little Lord Fauntleroy" Will Be Acted by College Talent on Feb. 1st.

On the 1st of February, at 8-30 p. m., Frances Hodgson Burnett's popular story, "Little Lord Fauntleroy" will be played at Lenoir College.

Every one, who has read this fascinating tale, should be delighted to see it reproduced under the able direction of Miss Sawyer, the talented teacher of Expression at Lenoir College.

New and appropriate stage scenery and fixtures will make a splendid setting for the interpretation of the play by an able and well-trained cast of characters.

It is a play of pure, true life and living, with the most delightful touches of humor and some scenes of exquisite pathos. Not a hint of cheap sentimentality, nor a word of "blood and thunder" dramatics, is to be seen. Every one, from children to aged people, will see something to touch a responsive chord in their breasts.

Such a play as this is not often seen in this section of the state, and this opportunity should not be neglected.

To feel strong, have good appetite and digestion, sleep soundly and enjoy life, use Burdock Electric Bitters, the great system tonic and builder.

### Suicide of Mr. E. C. Suther.

On last Saturday afternoon some time between 2 and 5 o'clock, Mr. Erasmus C. Suther, a well-known farmer, of No. 5 township, Cabarrus Co., killed himself with a shotgun at his home in that township, about four miles from Concord.

Makes itchy, red blood, restless sleep, builds strong healthy tissue—steady nerves, perfect digestion and assimilation. Keeps you well and happy. Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea or Tablets, 35 cents. Moser & Lutz.

If there is a chance to boom business, boom it. Don't put on a long face and look as though you had a stomach ache. Hold up your head, smile and look for better things. Hide your little hammer, and try to speak well of others, no matter how small you may know yourself to be.

For health and happiness—De Witt's Little Early Risers—small, gentle, easy, pleasant liver pills the best made. Sold by C. M. Shuford and W. S. Martin & Co.

### Well Digger Buried by Cave-In.

Hernton Chalk, a colored well-digger, was buried by a cave-in Friday morning while digging a well at the home of George Buyers at Wilkesburg, S. C.

Chalk's companion, Wallace Brown, was also partially buried, but was rescued without serious hurt.

Chalk's neck was broken.

### FOUL CRIME AT DAYTON

Fifteen Year Old Girl Assaulted and Murdered—Two Men Arrested.

Dayton, O., Jan 24—The dead body of fifteen year old Mary Forschner was found in a shed near her home in this city last night. The girl left her home at 6:15 to carry money to deposit in the bank for her stepfather, Charles Geppert. It is supposed the girl did not go down town but was attacked near her home.

There was evidence of a struggle covering nearly a hundred yards and ending in a vacant lot. The evidence goes to show that the girl was first attacked against which she protested and was struck on the head by a board. Evidently she was dragged unconscious to the vacant lot where she regained consciousness and the struggle was renewed.

The finger marks on her throat lead to the conclusion that she was choked into submission, which probably resulted in her death. The body was then thrown across the street under the shed where it was afterwards found. The pocket book containing the money was found near the scene of the struggle.

Two men have been arrested on suspicion, but the police are sure they have the wrong men.

This mysterious crime is the fourth of like nature in recent years in this city.

### MUST BELIEVE IT

When Well-Known Hickory People Tell It So Plainly.

When public endorsement is made by a representative citizen of Hickory, the proof is positive. You must believe it. Read this testimony. Every backache sufferer, every man, woman and child with any kidney trouble will find profit in the reading.

Mrs. Caroline Hodges, living at Eleventh Street, Hickory, N. C., says: "I have no hesitancy in recommending Doan's Kidney Pills, as I used them with the most satisfactory results. I procured them at Menzie's Drug Co., when suffering from severe pains across the small of my back accompanied by headaches and other symptoms of kidney trouble, and they gave me prompt relief. I hope other sufferers of kidney trouble will give Doan's Kidney Pills a trial as I am confident the results received will be most gratifying."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, New York, sole agents for the United States. Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other.

### House for Sale.

The vacant house near the Reformed Church, known as the "Thurston House," with out-buildings, will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder at the steps of the First National Bank, at 1 o'clock p. m., Feb 6th. Terms Cash, unless same is sold previous to that date to private purchaser. Parties wishing to examine this property will please call on A. A. Shuford. jy28-2t

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