

Babcock, H. C.

Miami

JFMA 21:520, May, 1935

Brief note under "State News Items" stating he died May 26, 1935, at age 61.

A native of Mason City, Iowa.

Came to Miami in 1913 and practiced there until his death.

BARON, CHAS. S.

Miami - 1853

See Main biographical file and Manuscript file  
"B"

Baron, C. F., M. D.

1883

Key West, Florida

Cushing & Appleyard: The Florida State Gazetteer

1883-84

? Dr. Chas. "S" Barr who farmed in Miami  
in 1853 - see letter in Manuscript file "B".

From material in Manuscript file "B" for Baron: (incl. material from Betty Bruce)

A Dr. Chas. S. (F.) Baron/Barron was in the Miami area possibly, farming as early as June 4, 1853; served as light house keeper at Cape Florida on Nov. 6, 1858; owned 10 acres (3 acres cultivated and improved) on the Miami River valued at \$88.3 \$ 1871; a Wilhimina Baron owned 613 acres (valued \$ 700) on Biscayne Bay in 1867. By ~~xxxx~~ Mar. 11, 1869, he appears to be in Key West; Was Judge in the County court at Key West Feb. 1871 and was replaced (?) 1870; listed as C.S. Baron, Surgeon U.S. Hospital and U.S. Commissioner at Key West 1873; in the census of Monroe County for 1880 he is listed as Charles S. Baron, Judge of Probate, a widower, from New York, England, N.Y. Still Probate Judge 1886, Bensel's City Directory.

Browne, J.B.: History of Key West, p. 181 gives a description of him. In the 1880 census he is listed as 77 suggesting he was born in 1803.

BARON, Judge Charles S.

REF: WELSH: Miami, Vol. 17, p 55 second column

Mentions Judge Charles S. Baron  
trying case and purchase of property.

*See photocopy of letter to "Dr" Chas. S. Baron  
at Miami dated June 4, 1853 in  
Manuscript file "B" for Baron*

Dr. Straight,

You probably already know about this but it was worth noting for myself from Vol. 17 of Miami, by Agnew Welsh. (scrapbook)

"Brinton's Guide Book, published 1869, states that ice formed on the Miami River in 1856 and that vagaries in air currents caused a cold wave that formed ice an inch and 1/2 thick on Lake Griffi, on the upper stretches of the Ocklawaha River. While ice formed on the Indian River wa no serious damage was done.

Baron (Barron), Charles S., M.D. (1803-1888)

Loc: Dade County

Ref: See biographical sketch written by Billie Peeler Pearce  
and other material in manuscript file "B" for Baron

. Barron, Dr. (C.W.?)

Loc: Key West

Ref: Parsons, G.W.: Manuscript Diary - see transcript in the  
manuscript file "P" ~~af~~ for "Parsons Diary."

p. 125. Oct. 31, 1874: mentions meeting Dr. (C.S.) Barron in  
Key West.



Barron, Chas. F., M.D.

LOc: Miami and Key West

Ref: Reminiscences of Rose Wagner Richards - see typescript  
in the Dade County Material

In this work there are brief mentions of Barron on pages:  
10, and 38

See also separate file folder of material on Barron in  
manuscript file B. for Barron.

J. G. TASKIN

BASKIN, James Galespie

Copied in toto from: History of Florida, Past and Present, Historical and Biographical, Vol. III, The Lewis Publishing Company, Chicago and New York, 1923. loaned me by Mr. Norris Fredrick Baskin, his son. Pages 272-3.

"James Galespie Baskin, M.D., is one of the three or four men whose enterprise and influence has had most to do with keeping up the growth and development of the little City of Dunnellon. Doctor Baskin located there twenty-five years ago, and while he has practiced medicine, a great variety of outside interests have demanded his time and attention so that he is better known through these business activities than as a professional man. "Doctor Baskin was born at Perry in Houston County, Georgia, May 14, 1872. He is of an old American family and is a descendent of Col. George Hicks, who was born in Virginia in 1718, and served as a colonel in the American Army during the Revolutionary war, taking part in the campaigns of 1776 and 1780-81. The father of Doctor Baskin, Alonzo P. Baskin, was born in South Carolina, was a Georgia farmer, and in 1876 came to Florida and was a pioneer at Anthony, where he followed truck farming, the operation of saw mills and merchandising.

He represented Marion County in the Legislature in 1885-87, and was a prominent leader in the populist party of Florida, being president of the State Farmers' Alliance in 1891 and was once candidate for governor on the populist ticket. In 1905 he moved to Largo, and was a prosperous citrus grower there. He was a member of the Masonic Order and the Baptist Church. He died at Dunnellon in 1908, while visiting his son, Doctor Baskin. The mother of Doctor Baskin was Julia A. Gates, who was born in Bibb County, Georgia, and died at Dunnellon, Florida in 1899. "James G. Baskin spent his boyhood at Anthony from the age of four years, attended public schools there, and for one year was a student in the Agricultural College at Lake City. He paid part of his expenses while in this college by working on the college farm. Subsequently he entered the medical department of Vanderbilt University at Nashville, Tennessee, where he was graduated in 1891, being secretary of his class. He practiced at Anthony for four years, then moved to Miami. He was one of the first physicians to locate there, and owned and conducted the first drug store in the town. The railroad was just being built into Miami when he moved there and the ~~new~~ town was ~~being~~ being laid out. After two years at Miami Doctor Baskin ~~came~~ came to Dunnellon and began practice in 1898. Since 1898 he has been senior member of the firm Baskin & Griffith., his

BASKIN, James Galespie - card #2

partner being Dr. William Griffith (his biography appears in this volume also). They have carried on an extensive general practice as physicians and surgeons and together have been partners in a large number of business interests. Dunnellon in 1898, when Doctor Baskin located here, was a mere mining camp, and every phase of its subsequent development has been influenced in some way by Doctor Baskin. Baskin & Griffith from 1903 to 1917 were owners of the Dunnellon Pharmacy, and they have a large farm near the town, devoted to the production of water melons, cantaloupes and cotton. Doctor Baskin from 1906 to 1919 was owner of the Sunflower Grove at Largo in Pinellas County, an extensive orange and grape fruit branch. He was associated with G.W. Neville in 1904 in the organization of the Bank of Dunnellon, and is president of this institution and gives much of his time to its affairs. He is president of the Dunnellon Supply Company, a wholesale and retail hardware mill and mine supply house, and is also head of ~~and~~ Baskin & Company, naval stores operators. For three years the firm of Baskin and Griffith conducted the Dunnellon Advocate, a democratic weekly paper, having the first printing press in the town,

"Doctor Baskin was chairman of the County Democratic Committee

in 1904-5, and in the latter year was elected to fill an unexpired term as Senator of the Twentieth ~~District~~ District. He was chosen county commissioner in 1917 and served two years, and has served on the City Council. He was one of the organizers of the Dunnellon Ice and Cold Storage Company, which operated the light and water plants until these utilities were sold to the city, and the business now continues as an ice and cold storage company. Doctor Baskin has been an enthusiastic good roads advocate and is one of the bond trustees of the road district at Dunnellon and of the Marion County Bond District, this district being the first in Marion County to issue bonds for good roads. Doctor Baskin is now setting out a citrus grove near Dunnellon. He is local surgeon for the Atlantic Coast Line and Seaboard Airline Railroad, and is a member of the Marion County, Central Florida, Florida State, Southern and American Medical associations. He is a Mason and Knight of Pythias, a member of the Elks at Ocala and his primary recreation is travel.

"At Nashville, Tennessee, in 1892 he married Miss Lulu Spicer, who died the same year. He married at Miami, Florida, in 1897 Miss Ola Johnson, a native of Birmingham, Alabama. Her father, J.H. Johnson, was a veteran of the Confederate Army

BASKIN, James Galespie - card #3

and a pioneer truck farmer at Miami. Mrs. Baskin is vice president of the Dunnellon Woman's Club and an active member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. They have two sons: James A Alonzo, who is a graduate of the Georgia Military Academy and is now a student of banking and finance in Stetson University; and Frederick Norris (he tells me that he voluntarily reversed his two given names as a young man), member of the class 1923 in the Georgia Military Academy and is planning for a career in the law." (he did practice law at Ocala for a number of years then was called into the Army as a member of the judge advocates department stationed near Durham, N.C. - after the war he invested in property in Miami and came here to live permanently. "the war" refers to World War II.

Dr. J. G. Baskin

Interview - son: Norris Fredrick Baskin (age 57)  
at his home 1/20/63 - 6900 SW 75th St 667-6665

The note copied out of History of Fla.  
Mr. & Mrs B recall My B's mother speaking of  
Dr. B riding to see pts in a buggy.  
Did surgery & medicine - In Dunellon was FEC &  
JAL surgeon.

Treated a man by name of Frank  
(Brother Marcus Frank) for gun shot wound.  
In Miami when he married Mrs E. G. Jewell  
(who lived on the S. side of SW 2nd St between  
JE 1st & 2nd Ave) baked the wedding cake.



He married Ola Johnson - her parents ran  
a boarding house across from the Jewells.  
She attended the dance at which the key west  
girls game - Dr. B was engaged to key west  
girl but Ola took him away from her.  
He moved away from Miami because "couldn't  
see any future in Miami."  
Moved to Dunellon where he practiced, engaged  
in business and politics until his death  
July 12, 1938 @ Dunellon. Mrs B (Ola Johnson B)  
died Aug 16, 1962 age in Mia.  
Dr. B and Mrs. B buried @ Anthony  
was state Senator in 1905 from Marion Cty.

Waskin - Interview - son

Was on Marion County Commission 16 yrs. - Refused (2)  
to be chair

Continued his medical practice until about 1930 -  
at 1st - Dr. Griffiths then alone after Griffiths death.

Jon recalls making rounds during flu epidemic  
1918 - he caught flu & nearly died - Sick 3 wks.

Had so many to see couldn't get to all them  
while sick his bedroom overlooked street - saw so  
many victims being carried to cemetery he insisted  
on moving to another room.

During most of his practice - no hospital - in the latter  
years a hospital was built @ Ocala.

Tom recalls his doing appendectomies, hemorrhoids, & hernias - had an operating room attached to his office - used chloroform as anesthesia.

~~Set~~ Negro boy working in his drug store, Tom LOWRIE, sent him to a medical school - on graduation LOWRIE settled and practiced in Miami - (LOWRIE died 5-6 yrs ago - widow still lives here) Dr. B. advised him to come to Miami.

Dr. B. was restless, driving, not irascible, an optimist, full of ideas, not moody.

Would get up - his laborers" to see that they were out there working."

Subscribed to medical journals - ? read them; attended City <sup>med.</sup> meetings - ? state. No out of state trips

Dr. B - Interview - son 1/20/63

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often paid in produce - son thinks he had \$50-75,000 on the books when he died.

He wore the pants in the family.

When his sons were born she kept yelling for a Doctor - Dr. B said "well, what do you think I am."

Recreation was bird hunting

Made pleasure trips to N.C. Tenn, Ala + once to Cuba

Dr. B eldest son Jas Alonzo - business man in Dunellen - died coronary in 1939

Dr. B. died of a coronary thrombosis @ home after 4da in oxygen tent

Dr. B was an enthusiastic politician - Tallahassee  
big wings often stopped over with him. Dr. B.  
influential in getting Gov. John W. Martin elected.  
Dr. B not a speech maker - not hesitant to speak  
up - was chiefly interested in getting friends  
into influential positions.

was a good organizer. He was never seriously  
ill until onset of heart trouble (angina pectoris -  
pain in left arm & chest; ? ht. failure - had to  
go to window to breathe).

Smoked 5-6 cigars/day. Occ. drank whiskey -  
never drunk.

Was 6' 2" - weighed 230 lbs - always conservative  
dresser - dark colors - diamond ring + stick pin

Dr. Boskin - Interview on 1/20/63

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wore vest & watch & chain stretched across from pocket to pocket. Always wore coat & tie - usually hand tied bow tie

Hair was thick - never became bald - when he died had very little gray hair.

Had barber shop shave daily & shoe shine often.

He was a stem father - used banell stove - snowed after school & summers - cutting wood, worked in hardware store, truck driving, odd jobs

Dr. B moderately well-to-do.

With the crash he lost much when his bank failed - double indemnity stick.

Mrs. B lived in Dunellon until 1946 then moved to the Graylyn Hotel where she lived until death.

Never very active in church - he was Baptist but his wife a Methodist - children went regularly to the Methodist church.

Wife would save the money he gave for then charge the items he had given her the money for.

Jim attended U of F Law school - grad 1928 - practiced in Ocala until entered US Army in WWII - after war came to Miami, invested in property - living off investments. He has 1 dtr age 15.

- Dr. J. G. Baskin - Interview c son (5)
- Owned first automobile in Dunellen - ? chain  
drive Maxwell.
- Jim doesn't remember father riding horseback or  
in a buggy but his mother told him about  
it.



Is references to Baskin - practicing in  
Miami Aug. 1897 - Cf under Jim Jackson  
Aug 6 & 27

Miami Metropolis Vol: <sup>1</sup> #25, Oct 30, 1896 p 1  
Miami Mince meat col 2

"Dr. J. G. Boskin, his friends all well note, has been looking unusually bright and happy ~~the~~ ~~week~~ the past few days but how well it be after the City of Miami leaves tomorrow morning." Article goes on to imply his unusual interest in a young lady who will leave the boat.

In col. 5 on this page it lists passengers to leave for Key West tomorrow. Among the Misses present were: Misses Curry, Falk, Williams, Albany & Hanson

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1897  
The Miami Metropolis Vol #<sup>#</sup> 1 Nov 12, 1897

p 1

Dr. J. G. Baskin married Miss Ola Johnson  
" at half past four o'clock last Monday  
morning (Nov 8, 1897)

1896

Jackson writing a section of Blackman's book  
(refer to file for copy) states that:

"Dr. Baskins, after the opening of Miami, moved to  
Miami for a time, afterwards moving away.

Dr. J. G. BASKINS - had instruments to fit glasses  
in Miami Nov 6, 1896 - cf. Mia. Med. Soc. that date  
Explored a head wound Nov. 27, 1896 - see card  
that date in ~~the~~ Dade City Medicine

Baskins, J. G.

1897

Loc: Miami

Ref: Mia Metrop Nov 5, 1897, p1 col 2

Notes that Baskin had returned from a  
visit "at his old home in Anthony, Fla."  
Mentions he might be getting  
married.

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Mia Metrop Nov 12, 1897, p1 col. 5  
Announcement that Baskin married  
Miss Ola Johnson and they moved to  
over

Anthony Fla. Weber Dr. B. "has  
established himself permanently."

Metrop Mar 4, 1898 p 1 col 1

Baskin now located at Dannelon, Fl



Ref: John Sewell's Memoirs and History of Miami, p. 21

John Sewell states, "I found Dr. Culverhouse running a drug store there (Lemon City) and Dr. J.G. Baskins, his partner practicing medicine; both moving to Miami later and following the same business here."

Mia Metropolis Vol 1 #1 May 15, 1896 p 7  
Professors.

Carries the ads of Dr. J. G. Boskin,  
Dr. Jas. M. Jackson and Dr. Geo E. Walton

Miami Metropolis Vol 1 #19, Sept 18, 1896 p 1

Mia Mince meat col 4

Mentions Dr. J. G. Baskin attending  
a dance @ General CONOBY House  
(Jackson not mentioned)

Mia. Metropolis Vol 1 #18. Sept 4, 1896, p 1

Mia. Mince meat (col 1)

"Dr. J. G. Boston will hereafter occupy  
office runs in the second story of  
Brown's brick block."

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Portrait of him in brown envelope file

Miami Metropolis Vol 3

Aug 20, 1897 p 5

Coconut Grove stems

Dr. Eleanor Simmons - Dr. J. H. Jackson  
brought a C. M. Stow to Miami where  
- help of Dr. Baskin he was "operated"  
for a dislocated shoulder.

Miami Metropolis Vol 4 # 17, Mar. 4, 1898  
page 1

Dr. J. G. Baskin, formerly of Miami, is now  
located at Dunnellon, Fla.

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His advertisement in the Metropolis of June 11, 1897  
locates him in Miami "office over the  
Culverhouse's Drug Store. Next to the Metropolis  
office."

1905

BASKIN, Dr. J.G.

Records of the Office of the Secretary of State of Florida

show that J.G. Baskin served as State Senator for the

Twentieth Senatorial District in the session of 1905.

cf. Letter from the sefty. of state (1/30/63) in the Potter  
file folder.

Brown, E. C., Dr.

Location: Melbourne, Florida

Ref: Tropical Sun, Volume 6, Number 7, April 7, 1892,  
page 1

Dr. E. C. Brown, of Melbourne, is mentioned as assisting  
Dr. W. L. Hughlett of Rockledge, in an operation on a  
Mrs. Riggs of Eau Gallie, a few days prior to remove a  
tumor.

*Stade County File*



Brown, John W.

Miss Mary Albert Hinton 7/7/62

Recalls a Dr. John (?W) Brown, Tulane graduate

~~father~~ father in law to ~~the~~ GE humerus

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possining (hemorrhages) they didn't call  
him back - occurred about 1915.

Walter E. Brown, Dr

Mia Vestrop June 4, 1897. @ 5 col 3 June 1897

Loc: Coconut Grove

I suspect he  
was a young  
"man."

Brief obituary of this "physician" who  
had practiced at C. Grove only 3 mo.

He died of "congestion of the brain" June 1, 1897.

Incidentally his neighbor "Dr. C. A. Gee, dentist"  
died also of congestion of the brain the same  
day — possibly 2 cases of meningitis.

BRYAN, R.L.

Bryan, R. L., M. D.

The Daily Miami Metropolis, Oct. 24, 1904, p. 3, Cols. 2 & 3

Issued a license to practice medicine by the County Judge and Tax Collector of Dade County for the year beginning October 1, 1903. The price was \$10.00 for the state license and \$5.00 for the county license.

BURNHAM, N. S.

Miami Metropolis, Vol 2 #14 Feb 12, 1897 p1

Miami Mince Meat col 1

"Mrs. Dr. N.S. Burnham, formerly Mrs. Lucy Vanevar, a well known journalist --- committed suicide at Stork, Fla last Monday night."

Burnham, N. S., M. D.

The Daily Miami Metropolis, Oct. 24, 1904, p. 3, Cols. 2 & 3

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Ref: The Daily Miami Metropolis, Aug. 2, 1905, p. 1, Col. 6

"Disease infected mosquitoes discussed by Dr. N.S. Burnham, says that yellow fever and malaria can develop and come from no other source than their bite."

In this column Dr. Burnham is quoted as a specialist of many years experience on contagious and infectious diseases and a particular student of yellow fever and the manner in which it is conveyed. He goes on to state without reservation that yellow fever and malaria are carried by mosquitoes and that filth and odors have nothing to do with the propagation of these diseases. He points out the importance of staying in doors with adequate screening from 5 P.M. until the following morning. Burnham claims the mortality for yellow fever is not more than 7-10% and thus people are far safer in an epidemic of yellow fever than if it were typhoid fever.



heads the list of the doctor's old friends up there.

"The doctor has all the latest instruments and appliances as well as specially prepared medicines for his work. He also adds the latest improvements in electricity, to aid in the complete cure, of tumors, ovarian and rectal diseases. One sufferer, already thanks him very gratefully for having saved him a trip to Atlanta. It was blood poisoning and erysipilas, following the bite of a dog. The patient after suffering several weeks without help from his physician, was making preparations to go to Atlanta, when he was referred to the doctor, who made a perfect cure in less days than he had been suffering weeks."

Dr. N.S. Burnham

June 17, 1905

Ref: The Daily Miami Metropolis, June 17, 1905, p. 4, Col. 6

#### AN ANNOUNCEMENT

Dr. N.S. Burnham, the well known specialist opens office in Miami.

"The old specialist, Dr. Burnham, who is so well and favorably known in Florida, has yielded to the urgent solicitations of many friends here and moved to Miami to resume his special work of treating old chronic diseases and more particularly the diseases and derangements of women, in which he has had more than 30 years of very successful practice and experience.

So many people have been compelled to go to Atlanta or elsewhere, when suffering with eye, ear or \_\_\_\_\_ diseases; so many women are compelled to leave home and friends for weeks and months to find relief for their derangements and diseases. Dr. Burnham has come to befriend and help them all, as his long experience and practical skill will assure them, as will also scores of old friends and patrons along the whole east coast as far as St. Augustine, where the rector of Trinity Church and his family

Dr. N.S. Burnham

June 3, 1905

Ref: The Daily Miami Metropolis, June 3, 1905, Second Section, p. 5.  
Col. 2

"Dr. N.S. Burnham, of West Palm Beach, who moved down to this city yesterday from West Palm Beach to make Miami his future home and practice his profession, is moving into offices secured in the Metropolis Building."

Dr. N.S. Burnham

June 9, 1905

Ref: The Daily Miami Metropolis, June 9, 1905, p. 5, col. 3

"Dr. N.S. Burnham, of West Palm Beach, who moved down to this city yesterday from West Palm Beach to make Miami his future home and practice his profession, is moving into offices secured in the Metropolis Building." In an earlier paper the note had been made that Dr. Burnham had formerly been the doctor at a hotel in West Palm Beach.

2A. BUTLER (NEGRO)

Negro Doctor In Miami

September, 1904

The Daily Miami Metropolis, Vol. 1, No. 234, Sept. 14, 1904, p. 6,  
Col. 1

"Dr. J. A. Butler, the senior doctor in colored town, is still attending Mrs. Emiline Jones who is not improving very much."

In a later newspaper is his advertisement as the proprietor of the Magic City Drug Store, the only drug store in colored town, corner Avenue G and 5th Street.

See copy of above advertisement in Update, August, 1976,  
p4

See Tequesta LXVI pp 49-81 - Much detail

Dr. J. A. Butler Married

October, 1904

The Daily Miami Metropolis, Oct. 25, 1904, p. 6, Col. 1

"Dr. J. A. Butler left this morning for Key West, where he will be married. Dr. and Mrs. Butler are expected here next Tuesday."

In the Daily Miami Metropolis of October 31, 1904, p. 6, note is made that he was getting married that night.

Butler, J.A. Dr.

before 1904

Ref: Interview with Dr. S.H. Johnson (black) 2/5/81

Dr. Johnson believes Dr. J. A. Butler came to Dade prior to 1904 and was the second black physician to practice in Dade. In 1907 Butler left Dade County and went to Tampa, Johnson recalls.