

CONCERNING A CHECK.

An Original check Turned Up After Duplicate Had Been Cashed.

The Greensboro Record of Tuesday last has the following to say concerning a check that had become misplaced. Mr. R. A. Brown was the rightful owner, but had received a duplicate.

"Among the cases 'on tap' yesterday in the J. P. courts was one against 'Doc' Stinson, for passing a check which had been duplicated.

The facts as gathered were that some time ago a man named R. A. Brown, living at Concord, was in the habit of selling cotton seed to a firm in Charlotte and drawing at the time of each shipment for a portion of the money. On one of these occasions he drew about \$100 there being a balance after the sale of about \$11. Brown waited for this remittance for some time, but as it did not come, he wrote the house, when he received a reply to the effect that a check covering the amount had been sent some time previous.

As Brown had never received it he wrote the house, when, in due course of time, a duplicate check was sent him, which he received and had cashed.

This was the last heard of the matter until quite recently, when the original check turned up here in Greensboro in the hands of Stinson, who passed it on Bloomfield, who runs a store on South Elm, in payment, or part payment, for a bill of goods.

Stinson, in his own behalf, sold the check as given him by another man, whose name we do not remember, and this is no doubt true, but as he was not present in court and could not be found—in fact Stinson does not know where he lives—the defendant was in for it and was held for court.

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SHORT LOCALS.

Senator Sherman is being slated for President McKinley's secretary of State.

The Cabarrus Savings bank will be ready for business sometime during next week.

Preparations are being made by parties interested for a wedding early in February. It will be a quiet affair.

Travelling men are more numerous at this season of the year than at any other time. Our town has had a run since the last.

Two young gentlemen spent Wednesday in the country and when returning, tied the horse to the harness peg and put the harness in the horse stall.

A Chicago man has come to the front with an invention in the shape of a steam boiler by which a twenty-horse boiler will run a sixty-five horse engine.

There is strong talk of organizing a dramatic club, which will produce at its first appearance "Under the Clouds," a pretty little drama with seven or more fine characters.

Thursday morning, January 22nd, Miss Bessie Trotter and Mr. F. L. Dutton will be married in St. John's Evangelical Lutheran church in Salisbury. Both parties are of that place.

Mr. Hardy Conley has covered his connection with the Bee Hive school more in Charlotte and is now assisting his brother, Mr. S. D. Lamb, in the roller covering business.

Mr. J. W. Watson has returned from Salisbury and reports having made a trip that netted 25 pounds. This immense specimen is an exhibition at Kluttz & Radcliff's store.

Wilkes county has added two to the regularly elected number of commissioners Judge Hoke having appointed them. There are many other counties that have five instead of three commissioners.

FOUND—Two red cows and one black wooden. The cows were wooden frames to prevent rusting. Call on Geo. H. Miller near St. John's church and get the cows by paying necessary expenses.

It is said that parties who were cheated out of their money at the "old horse sale" of the Southern Express Company in this city last Saturday, will bring suit against the company. Such information should be dealt with pretty severely.

Mr. H. E. C. Bryant has sold his paper, the Charlotte Democrat, to Mr. W. C. Dowd, publisher of the Charlotte News and Mechanical Times. Mr. Bryant will be connected with the Observer for an indefinite time. The Democrat will continue as ever.

Revs. C. B. King and C. L. T. Fisher are busily engaged in perfecting all their arrangements for completing the new Lutheran College building in Charlotte, having selected the faculty and issued catalogues for the opening of the institution next fall. Application will be made to the Legislature for a charter at once.

The parting words of Governor Evans, of South Carolina, are particularly hot and caustic toward the press of the State. He doesn't hesitate to use the terms slander, vilify and lie. It seems that the Ex-Governor would make another of the kind if he chose to engage in the honorable calling that is not graded by such discourteous language.

Salisbury World: "Rev. and Mrs. Smoot have decided to move to Salisbury and will arrive here sometime during next week. They, with their sons, W. B. and A. L. Smoot, will occupy the vacant residence on Church street recently vacated by Mr. H. A. Ragin." Rev. and Mrs. Smoot are now living with their son, Dr. J. E. Smoot, in this city. We regret that these good people are to leave the city.

"Patterson" is the style name of the Patterson Manufacturing Company's store, and the managers have been busy today moving from their old stand into the new store near the nearest stores in the immediate vicinity and it is the intention of the owners to keep a supply of everything in the mercantile line so as to be able to compete with any of the merchants in prices and quality of goods. Mr. Arthur L. Patterson, who is quite a young man of extensive business qualifications, is the head manager.

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LEGISLATIVE SESSION.

SENATE.

Raleigh, Jan. 13.—The Senate met at 10:30. Lieutenant Governor Reynolds in the chair. Prayer by Senator Utley.

The following bills and resolutions were introduced and referred. Mr. Clark—A bill to establish reasonable rates on railroads, telegraph and telephone lines; also a bill to establish a uniform standard of time in North Carolina.

Mr. Parson—A bill to incorporate the Tar River Bank, of Rocky Mount; also a resolution in regard to meetings of standing committees.

Mr. Aaburn—A bill to amend the school law of the State.

Mr. McNeil—A bill to incorporate the Stone Mountain Railway Company; also to prevent the sale of concealed (?) weapons.

Mr. Hyatt—A bill to amend section 1006 of The Code in regard to penalty for carrying concealed weapons.

Mr. Anthony—A bill relating to crop liens.

Mr. Seales—A resolution to furnish the Senate with The Code.

Mr. McCarthy—A resolution allowing the judiciary committee a clerk.

The following additions were made to standing committees: Mr. Gaddy, insane asylum; Mr. Dixon, public roads; Mr. Eason, education; Mr. Lessor, insane asylum.

Mr. Anderson made a report for the committee on corporations.

Under a suspension of the rules a bill to incorporate Wills Bank in Wilson county was taken up and passed on second reading.

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HUNTERS REPORT.

Report that quail are now very scarce, owing to the large number killed during the holidays.

Lock Cumber, of Forest Hill, has secured a position in a cotton mill at Union, S. C., and has gone there to work.

Wm. Keator, of Franklin town, has purchased ten acres of land of W. C. Boyd, of Concord, says the Salisbury World.

Dr. W. D. Pemberton it seems is going to remember from his precarious condition of appendicitis treated surgically by the skillful hand of Dr. Davege, of Chesler, S. C.

The Statesville Lindmark says that license have been issued for the marriage of Peter Cawalt and Amanda Freedland, who live near Troutman. Mr. Cawalt is 75 years old and the prospective bride is 50.

Rev. S. S. Bahn has accepted the care of the church at Jacksonville, Florida. He will move about the first of February. Mr. Bahn makes a valuable citizen of any community and we are sorry to lose him.—Monroe Journal.

The world-wide reputation of Ayer's Hair Vigor, is due to its healthy action on the hair and scalp. This incomparable preparation restores the original color to gray and faded hair, and imparts softness and freshness so much desired by all classes of people.

To remove dandruff keep the scalp moist, clean, and healthy, and give vitality and color to weak, faded, and gray hair use Ayer's Vigor. It has no equal in merit as a hair dressing and for the prevention of baldness, scalp humors, and dandruff.

A dangerous counterfeit of the \$20 United States silver certificate has been discovered. The note is of the series of 1891, check letter E. The most noticeable defect is in the treasury numbers, which, although of good color, are too heavy and out of alignment. The paper is good and the silk threads of the genuine are clearly imitated by pen and ink lines on the back of the counterfeit note.—Greensboro Record.

If there is any one thing that needs to be purified, it is politics; the reformer, and many agree thereto. But blood-lets, and a blood purifier and liver corrector, Simmons Liver Regulator is the best medicine. "I use it in preference to all others."—So wrote Mr. S. M. Hyatt, of Middleport, Ohio, and Dr. D. S. Russell, of Farmville, Va., writes, "It fulfills all its promises."

Noted notations.

Saged near Allamantic, on the 6th of January, 1897, the following property supposed to belong to John Brown, for violation of the Internal Revenue Laws of the United States, to wit:

1 horse, 1 mule, 1 two horse wagon and harness, 1 banjo, 2 buckets, 1 skillet and 2 empty kegs. Notice is hereby given to any one claiming said property to make claim for same to the undersigned at his office in Asheville N. C., in the manner and form prescribed by law, within 30 days of date herein mentioned, or the same will be declared forfeited to the government of the United States.

By SAM'L L. ROGERS, Collector 5th Dist' of N. C. R. S. HARRIS, D. C. January 5th, 1897. w/4.

China Grove Items.

Messrs. J. W. Cannon and L. D. Deval came up on the early train this morning. We are always glad to have men of push and energy to visit our town.

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