

# J. B. Powell of Norfolk Jailed Here

## Came to Help Out J. H. Brooks and Was in Turn Arrested by U. S. Marshal. Developments in the Mysterious Jones & Powell Case

J. B. Powell of Norfolk was arrested here yesterday afternoon on a warrant sworn out by Postmaster Bailey charging him with being implicated in the fraudulent use of the mails in purporting to do business here under the firm name of Jones & Powell. And about six o'clock last night he was committed to jail in default of bond.

The Post on yesterday told of the arrest of J. H. Brooks on Wednesday on a similar charge. It develops that Brooks telegraphed Wednesday to J. B. Powell of Norfolk, telling him that he was in trouble and to come to Raleigh at once. In reply to this Powell wired that he would come on the next train and for Brooks to meet him at the train. This of course Brooks could not do, being in jail. Powell arrived yesterday morning and set to work to find Brooks' stopping place, which he had been informed was 220 South Salisbury street.

Didn't Know Brooks Was in Jail  
On inquiring for Brooks Powell was informed that he was in jail and he went to the law office of Mr. James H. Pou for legal advice. Later in the day Postmaster Bailey went before United States Commissioner Nichols and swore out a warrant against J. B. Powell and United States Marshal Dockery sent out Deputy Sharp to arrest him. This he did in short order and carried him before Commissioner Nichols, who announced that he must give a \$200 bond for his appearance tomorrow to answer the charge. Powell sent several telegrams to parties in Norfolk and also tried to get a long-distance telephone communication, but without success. So after waiting about three hours Marshal Dockery, at six o'clock, instructed his deputies to conduct Powell to jail. He had been held since his commitment in the office of the marshal.

Just before starting to the jail Powell handed to his counsel, Mr. Pou several telegrams that he desired him to send for him. Powell seemed completely unnerved when he saw the jail was inevitable. He declared that he certainly dreaded to spend a night in the place and through the intercession of Mr. Pou secured permission to send out and buy a new blanket in which to wrap up in his cell.

In his statements concerning his connection with the Jones & Powell affair, Powell is very reticent and vague. He claims that he is not a member of the firm and is only acting for the firm for the reason that illness and some business engagements prevented either of the three members to come at this time. He says that he had no idea that Brooks, the agent of the firm, was under arrest, having merely inferred from the telegram he received that there was some trouble of a business character. So he was completely taken by surprise when he found on arriving here that the man was in jail.

Powell Makes a Statement  
Powell said last evening in speaking of his connection with Brooks and others with the Jones & Powell affair that J. H. Brooks answered an advertisement in a Norfolk paper to take charge of a business in Raleigh, and came to see him Monday night. He was formerly with a Winston tobacco house, and later traveled for a Norfolk concern. The firm of Jones & Powell, which Brooks represented, said Powell, is composed of R. C. Powell, J. C. Jones and John C. Stone. Jones is in the brokerage business in Norfolk; Powell was formerly in Franklin county, N. C.; Stone has been a traveling salesman and is at his home in Kittrell on account of the illness of his wife. R. C. Powell is in a hospital, having undergone an operation for appendicitis. He was unable to come to Raleigh and attend to the business, and that is why he sent Brooks.

Powell declared that Brooks is a perfect stranger to every one of the members of the firm, but came with the very best of recommendations, and he was sent to Raleigh to manage the business until such time as the members of the firm are able to get here.

Raleigh or not. I don't know anything whatever about their business.

He Lived Here at One Time  
It is learned that Powell was here several months a number of years ago employed in some capacity at the livery stable of Mr. John B. Blake and that he went from here to Smithfield, and it was there that Mr. James H. Pou first knew him, the law firm of Pou & Pou having been engaged by him there to defend his interests in a case he had in court there. It is not known where he went from Smithfield. He came to Raleigh from Durham, where he spent about a year.

Train Porter Arrested  
Another warrant sworn out yesterday before Commissioner Nichols by Postmaster Bailey was for the arrest of James Robinson, colored, who as porter on the train from Norfolk brought from that city many letters and postals sent out by the mysterious firm and mailed them from this post-office. He also had keys to the Raleigh post office box and carried mail received here to the Norfolk parties. The warrant was served on Robinson when the southbound train arrived here yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock, and he promptly gave bond for his appearance. Commissioner Nichols said last night that he did not think there could be a hearing of the cases of either Brooks or Powell before Monday, as there was evidence accumulating that would necessitate a deferment of the hearings until that time.

## GLENN RAVEN COTTON MILL CO.

Chartered With \$200,000  
Authorized Capital—To Begin With \$150,000

The secretary of state on yesterday issued a charter for the Glenn Raven Cotton Mills Co. of Glenn Raven, near Burlington. The capital stock is \$200,000 authorized and \$150,000 to begin business with. The three incorporators who subscribe to an aggregate of \$300 stock are J. Q. Gant, J. E. Gant and Kenneth Gant. The company is authorized to do a general cotton milling business, including the spinning, weaving and dyeing and bleaching of cotton, wool, silk and other fabrics.

Another charter was to the Holmes Chapel Benevolent Association (Incorporated) of Greensboro. This is a colored organization, the purpose of which is to advance the mental, moral and general condition of the members of the association. Benefits will be paid the sick and the needy.

For a bad taste in the mouth take a few doses of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. Price 25 cents. Warranted to cure. For sale by W. G. Thomas and Robt. Simpson.

## GONE TO IDENTIFY HOWARD

Former Warden Green Left Yesterday for Chicago

Former Warden W. W. Green of the state penitentiary, who now lives at Franklin, left yesterday for Chicago to identify the United States convict Howard, who escaped from the penitentiary here six years ago and was recently rearrested in Chicago. It will be remembered that he was serving a sentence for robbing the post office at Lancaster, Va.

## MR. JAS. WEBB DEAD

Prominent Manufacturer and Business Man Dies at Hillsboro

Mr. James Webb, one of the best known business men in central Carolina, died yesterday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock at his home in Hillsboro. His health has been perceptibly failing for the past two years and he returned only three days since from Texas, where he had come in the hope of deriving benefit.

Mr. Webb was the son of the late James Webb of Hillsboro and his mother, before her marriage, was Miss Sarah Frances Cheshire, sister of the father of Bishop Joseph Blount Cheshire of this city. He was born in Hillsboro February 2nd, 1844, hence he would have been 60 years old next week. Mr. Webb married Miss Rebecca Ruffin, daughter of the late Peter Brown Ruffin of Hillsboro. After her death he married Miss Minna Ruffin, sister of his first wife, and she survives him.

my and firmly refused a commission, preferring to serve as a private in the ranks. He proved a gallant and daring soldier. In the fight at Bristol Station he was shot through the lung and this wound, made nearly forty years ago, probably brought on the lung weakness which caused his death.

After the civil war Mr. Webb engaged in business with his father at Hillsboro and they built the Eno cotton mills, which have proved most successful. They also established a flour mill. Mr. Webb has been an active agent in the rebuilding of the industries of the state. He was largely interested in the Raleigh and Neuse cotton mills here and was re-elected a director on last Wednesday. Mr. Webb was a man of the highest character, upright and just in all his dealings, and possessed the unstinted admiration of those who knew him.

Mr. Webb's immediate family consisted of his wife and his two sons, Messrs. Brown Ruffin Webb and John Cox Webb, both by his first wife. He is also survived by seven brothers and sisters, Mr. John Cox Webb of Thermopylae, Ala., Mr. H. Winder Webb of Hillsboro, Mrs. James Graham of Washington city, and Misses Sarah, Helen, Mary and Margaret Webb of Hillsboro. Bishop Cheshire and Miss Sarah Cheshire will go to Hillsboro today to attend the funeral. Col. Benehan Cameron, who is a cousin of Mrs. Webb, also expects to go this afternoon.

## December Bulletin

The December Bulletin of the North Carolina Agricultural Department has just come from the presses of the state printer. The two principal features are the First Report on the Inspection and Analyses of Concentrated Stock Feeds and Cotton-seed Meal under the Laws on these Subjects, for 1903, and Abstracts of Reports to the Board of Agriculture and of the Proceedings of the Meeting of the Board December, 1903.

## Officers Elected

A meeting of the stockholders of the Raleigh Real Estate and Trust Company was held yesterday at their office, No. 130 Fayetteville street. The officers of this flourishing company were re-elected, namely: J. S. Wynne, president; F. K. Ellington, vice president; J. D. Turner, secretary; Womack Hayes, attorneys; W. S. Primrose, general adjuster of fire losses for North Carolina and other states. The usual annual dividend was declared. This company has continually grown and is now amongst Raleigh's best institutions. The company does a large fire insurance business, representing a number of the strongest companies in the world, as well as accident, health, liability, steam boiler, plate glass, etc. Other insurance besides buying and selling real estate, dealing in stocks and bonds and a general loan and trust business.

## Mr. Vann's Condition

The condition of Mr. Harvey Vann in Rex Hospital was reported better last night. During the day Mr. H. A. Royser dressed his wounds for the first time and he stated when he left the hospital last night that he thought the patient was improving. The main danger now is a secondary shock or hemorrhage from the wounds but this is lessened every hour.

## PROPERTY TRANSFERS

Property transfers were recorded yesterday as follows:  
B. C. Campbell and wife to James B. Campbell for \$195 a tract of 85 acres in Holly Springs township.  
S. J. Busbee and wife to E. T. Ferrall for \$600 a tract in St. Matthew's township next to R. E. Parham.  
J. N. Holding and wife to Etta F. Thompson, wife of Dr. S. W. Thompson, for \$50 a tract of 75 or 80 acres in New Light, adjoining the lands of Geo. W. Mangum, the Falls or Raleigh road, and J. M. Crenshaw's land.  
F. H. Busbee and wife to James T. Hughes for \$175 a lot in the Watson tract on Lenoir street extended.

## BROUGHT CONVICT. PAID STATE TAXES

Sheriff O. W. Harrington of Pitt county was here yesterday to commit to the penitentiary Turner Thorne, colored, who was sentenced a few days ago by Judge Justice to a term of three years for larceny and robbery. The sheriff said that Judge Justice has just closed a two weeks' term of Pitt superior court. While here Sheriff Harrington paid to State Treasurer Lacy a check for \$1,250 on schedule "B" tax for 1904.

## SLANDER IMPOSSIBLE IN A COMPLAINT

The slander suit of Mrs. Laura Fann against Mrs. Sallie Bell was ended yesterday after having hung fire in the magistrate courts here for several months. Mrs. Bell sued her husband Henry Bell for divorce and named Mrs. Fann as co-respondent. Mrs. Fann then sued Mrs. Bell for slander. Col. J. C. L. Harris appeared for the plaintiff and Messrs. Argo and Shaffer for Mr. S. G. Ryan for the defendant. The defendant's lawyers claimed that no suit for slander could be brought on a statement in a complaint even if it was not true; in such a case the plaintiff merely alleges certain things, names witnesses and leaves the matter to a jury. Numerous authorities were cited. Magistrate Separk took this view and dismissed the action, taxing Mrs. Fann with the costs, \$18. He said that the truth or falsehood of a statement in a complaint could not be the basis of a slander suit.

### SLOANS LINIMENT KILLS PAIN

QUICKER AND BETTER THAN ANY REMEDY EVER DISCOVERED.

TRY IT FOR RHEUMATISM; NEURALGIA; SCIATICA; LUMBAGO; STIFF JOINTS AND ALL ACHEs, SPRAINS AND STRAINS.

ALL DEALERS

## THREE RUNAWAYS

New York Boys Here in Quest of Sunny South

Three runaway boys from New York, without a penny in their pockets and nowhere to stay, stood shivering in front of Giersch's restaurant last night, gazing into the inviting place with longing eyes.

They had landed here in search of the warm, balmy, sunny south and the realization of their dream proved a sad disappointment as they stood in the snow and sleet, chilled to the bone, their stomachs empty, their money gone and ignorant of where they could find a warm spot to sleep.

They were discovered in this distressing predicament by one of Raleigh's most enterprising and progressive young merchants and their story touched him. He called Capt. Matt Thompson, and, after he had bought the boys food asked the police to get them a good place to stay and have the bill sent to him. Officer L. W. Waring conducted the youngsters to the None Such Inn on Hargett street and there they are spending the night.

The boys are apparently 16 or 17 years old and are rather neatly dressed and certainly have not bad faces. Here is the story they told. They live in New York city. They decided to come south and see this delightful country. Accordingly, without informing their parents, they took an Old Dominion steamer Monday, reached Norfolk Tuesday and beat their way on a freight train to Raleigh, landing here Wednesday. They spent the night in the depot.

Two of the boys expressed a readiness to get back home since the southern climate had proven such a delusion and a snare.

## Funeral of Mr. Primrose

The funeral of the late Mr. Hugh W. Primrose was held yesterday afternoon at 4:30 from the First Presbyterian church. In the congregation, assembled to pay its tribute of respect to the memory of this noble young man, were many of his former school mates and companions. The floral designs were beautiful. The hymns "The Holy Land of Heaven" and "How Firm a Foundation" were sung, and Rev. Dr. A. H. Mendenhall, in conducting the service, read "Lead Kindly Light."

## Confederate Veterans

Will please meet at mayor's office this, Friday, morning at 10:30 o'clock for the purpose of attending the funeral of our late comrade, John B. Burwell, Company B, 534 N. C. Regiment, A. B. Stronach, Commander; J. C. Birdsong, Adjutant.

## Notice

The directors of the North Carolina Railroad Company have declared an annual dividend upon the capital stock of the company, of 7 per cent, semi-annually on the first of February and first of August, 1904. The books of the company will be closed for the transfer of stock from January 10th to February 1st, 1904.

D. H. MLEAN, Secretary and Treasurer.

# HUYLER'S CANDIES.

Boxes of 1-2, 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 lbs each, 80c lb.  
CHRISTMAS TURKEYS, 35c each.  
CHOC. PEPPS, 20 and 40c.  
BURNT ALMONDS, 30c, SALTED ALMONDS, 30c  
LEAD PENCILS, 25c, CANNON CRACKERS, 25c

W. H. King Drug Co.  
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## Coupon Payment

The Mechanics and Investors Union  
Will make fifteenth Semi-Annual Payment of Coupons, from their paid certificates on and after December 29th at the Commercial and Farmers' Bank.  
On January 1st the Company will place on sale  
25 Full Paid 6 per cent Coupon Certificates of \$100.00 cash which will be sold for \$90.00 cash. These certificates are secured by first mortgage on residence property.  
GEORGE ALLEN, Secretary.

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