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DOUBLE MURDER CHARGED.

Dr. Rowland Charged With Killing Son and another Person.—Other Murder was When He Killed Engineer Strange in Order to Marry Wife.

Raleigh, N. C., May 20.—Special.—Dr. D. S. Rowland, well known practicing physician of this city, was arrested this morning by Raleigh police on the strength of a telegram from sheriff Powell, of Vance county, that he is wanted in Henderson to answer the charge of murder. Rowland was locked up in the city prison to await the coming of the Vance sheriff.

Some weeks ago his little son, who was with relatives near Henderson died suddenly while reciting a lesson in school. Heart failure is reported to have been the cause. Now it is charged that Dr. Rowland was responsible, having conveyed poison in candy or other dainties sent him from Raleigh. There is alleged to have been a life insurance policy on the boy's life in favor of Dr. Rowland. On the other hand Dr. Rowland carried \$30,000 on his life for the boys benefit. Dr. Rowland has been a widower for a number of years. Relatives of the deceased wife are understood to be behind the prosecution.

What adds to the complication is a movement against Rowland by the brotherhood of locomotive engineers of the first division Seaboard Air Line involving the recent sudden death of Engineer C. E. Strange, of the Seaboard. He was taken suddenly ill after breakfast three weeks ago. Rowland was the first physician to arrive and Stewart died, it was announced, from heart failure. Rowland and the widow of strange went to Norfolk one week ago and registered as man and wife under a fictitious name and claim now to be married. Engineer Strange carried \$5,000 insurance and had several thousand in the bank.

At the city prison Dr. Rowland declines to talk about the charges saying that he has no idea of the case until he goes to Henderson. Rowland has one of the largest and best equipped suites of medical offices in this state, equipped with X-ray and electricity and appliances of every kind. He lived in Kittrell and Henderson before locating here six years ago.

The sheriff of Vance county arrived this afternoon for Dr. Rowland and was instructed by the coroner of Wake County to hold him for the authorities here in the event the murder of his little son cannot be proven there as he will be wanted here for the murder of Engineer Strange. A warrant is just issued for Mrs. Strange now Mrs. Rowland, charging "accessary before the fact" in the murder of her husband and the body of Strange is to be taken up for examination.

COUNTERFEITERS SHOOT HIGH.

Spurious Greenbacks in Denominations of \$10, \$20, and \$100 Have Found Their Way to High Point—Warning Has Been Given.

High Point, May 20.—There is afloat in this city counterfeit greenbacks in denominations of \$10, \$20 and high as \$100. The money has been going the rounds for a day or so. The money is a very good imitation, the plates from which it is made no doubt being genuine, having been stolen from the government, but the fallacy of the counterfeiters lies in the fact that the fibre of the paper is different from the genuine, not having the silken threads interwoven. The banks are on the lookout and the citizens in general have been warned. Some years ago a band of counterfeiters operated here making the spurious money in silver, and were captured by a government detective and served time, and most probably the counterfeit greenback is made close by.

BANK ROBBER SENTENCED.

Gaston Blake, the Janitor of the First National Bank of Durham, is Convicted of Stealing Money Missed by the Bank Some Months ago and Gets Light Sentence.

Durham, N. C., May 19;—One of the most peculiar cases, in many respects, ever tried in this county was that against Gaston Blake, colored, charged with robbing the First National Bank of \$1,675, which was disposed of this afternoon by getting an admission of guilt from the negro, and then he was given but four months on the roads. It was a compromise and an agreed verdict. The court followed the advice of the solicitor and the lawyers in the case.

The robbery of the First National Bank is well known. This occurred several months ago. The pay roll of a certain factory had been made out and was ready to turn over to the paymaster. The pay roll was for \$3,600. Among the money were five dollar bills to the amount of \$1,675. When the money was taken out these bills were missing. Gaston Blake was the janitor and was the only person who had an opportunity to steal money from the mouth of the open bag. Then he became sick and did not return to work. Detectives came here and worked on the case with the result that no one was arrested but later Blake was arrested on circumstantial evidence. He had been spending a great deal of money and it all looked suspicious. A fairly good case of circumstantial evidence was woven about him.

When the case was called to-day he entered a plea of guilty. The lawyers were asked about the extraordinary affair and they said that the State did not have sufficient evidence to convict and were afraid to go to trial, and Blake was afraid of a conviction so it was agreed that the submission should be entered and that the defendant should get four months.

The Judge uses Forceful Language.

Judge W. B. Simmons of Fincastle, Va., told the reporter that L. & M. Paint was used on his residence in 1882, and held its color well for 21 years; he furthermore said that three years ago he was induced to use another paint and is sorry he did, because the other paint didn't make good. The judge will now always use L. & M., because he knows if any defect exists in L. & M. Paint, house will be repainted for nothing.

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