

Watered Stock.

W. H. Oliver of New Bern, S. C., has issued a little pamphlet giving the origin of the phrase "watered stock":

It was published that at one time Mr. Daniel Drew was engaged in the cattle business. That he would go through the country and buy stock and drive it to New York and sell. It was said that the day before the stock was to be weighed he would feed as much salt to them as possible, and the next day before they were weighed he would give them all the water they would drink, and thereby added to their weight. The phrase "watered stock" became a by word among the cattle men.

Within a few years past a vast number of corporations have been organized, and a conservative banking house in New York estimates that the unprecedented amount of three thousand million (\$3,000,000,000) of this watered stock has been placed on the markets in the shape of bonds, preferred stock and common stock. Taking the prices at which these bonds and stocks sold for in August and September of 1902 and at which they sold for in August and September, 1903,

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the difference as estimated is a decline of over one thousand million (\$1,000,000,000) of dollars. This fearful decline has caused many suicides, many defalcations, many cases of insanity, many cases of sorrow and sadness among a vast number of families in almost every community in this country.

I asked our United States senator what was an elastic currency; he replied he did not know. I asked the same question of our member of congress; he gave the same reply.

It is said by those who are advocating it that it is intended and that it is necessary for the purpose of moving our crops of cotton and grain. This statement is fallacious as cotton and grain can move themselves. The facts are it is proposed to allow the national banks to issue circulating notes based upon stocks and bonds of the various corporations. There is no question of it being an elastic currency; that it would soon be cut and in the hands of farmers for the purchase of their cotton and grain. Now for redemption of these notes the basis on which they are issued is to be paper stocks and bonds.

Within the last 60 days we have seen stocks and bonds decline from the price at which they were selling at a year ago, 10, 20, 40, 50 and even as much as 75 per cent. If this bill which is now proposed at the approaching meeting of congress had been in force and these notes had been in circulation a similar result to the failure of the old United States Bank would have taken place.

It is singular that the advocates of the bill only a few years ago denounced state banks as wild cats, that

their notes and silver dollars were fiat money, yet they forgot to tell the people that the people of North Carolina had in twenty years through the failure of national banks lost more money than they did in fifty years prior to 1860 by failure of state banks. They were told to place the country on a gold basis which would restore confidence, that there was an abundance of money in the country to do the business and no more was needed. Now they propose to enter into a most gigantic system of "wild cat" banking.

What is now needed is an Andrew Jackson who would say, "By the Eternal," this business shall stop. When he spoke the people knew he meant what he said.

It will be gross injustice to buy from the farmers their cotton and grain (which will be shipped to Europe and sold for gold) and pay for it in paper notes based on paper railroad and other bonds and on stocks of various corporations.

Circus a Godsend.

When Governor Peck of Wisconsin, was publishing the Sun, at La Crosse, Wis., Sells' circus came to town. The press agent was Charley Scott, big, bluff, and acutely sensitive to a humorous situation. He paid a visit to the Sun office, and, meeting Peck, said, "We'll want a two column ad. in your paper."

"All right, you can have the space," was the reply.

"How much will it cost?"

"Just \$63.50."

"Well, we must economize some, and perhaps I can get along with less space."

"All right."

"What will one column be?"

"Cost you \$63.50."

"But that's only half as much as the two column ad."

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"I know it, but it will cost you just the same," said Peck.

"What the devil do you mean by charging the same for one column as you do for two?"

"Well, I'll tell you," said Peck, with a genial grin. "The circus will be here the 17th, and the 18th I must meet a draft for paper for \$63.50, and your old circus is a godsend. Your ad. will just meet that draft."

"I'll be hanged!" ejaculated the astonished Scott. Then, the humor of the situation catching him, he added, "But I'll take the two columns."—New York Herald.

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