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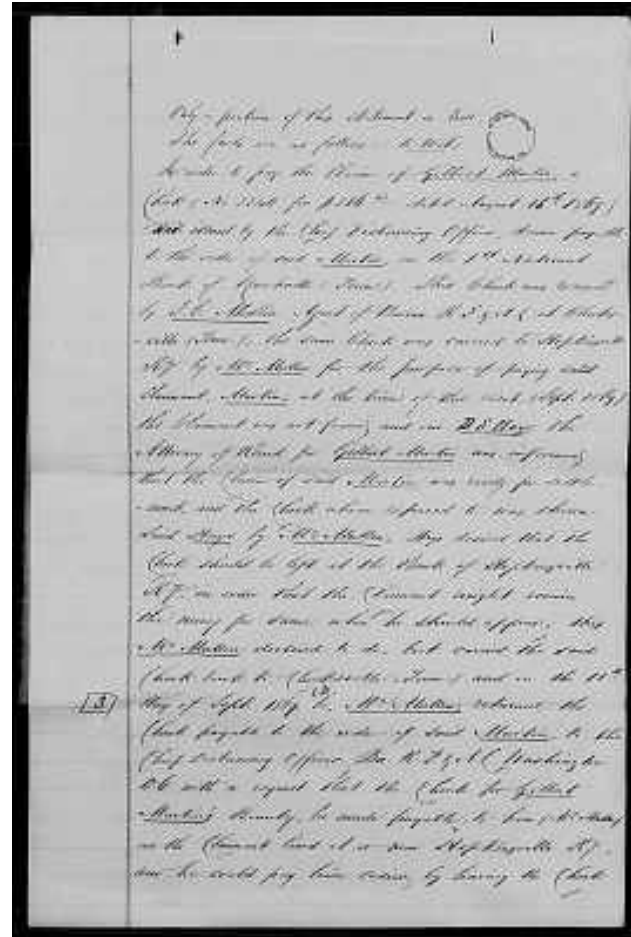
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Only a portion of this statement is true.
The facts are as follows:- to wit:
In order to pay the Claim of Gilbert Martin a Check (No 2340 for \$216.33 dated August 16th 1869) was issued by the Chief Disbursing Officer, drawn payable to the order of the Chief Disbursing Officer, drawn payable to the order of said Martin, on the 1st National Bank of Nashville (Tenn.) This check was received by J.C. Mullin Agent of Bureau RF & AL at Clarksville (Tenn.); the same Check was carried to Hopkinsville Ky by McMullen for the purpose of paying said claimant, Martin; at the time of this visit, (Sept. 1869) the Claimant was not found, and one DS Hays the Attorney of Record for Gilbert Martin was informed that the Claim of said Martin was ready for settlement, and the Check above referred to was shown said Hays by McMullen. Hays desired that the Check should be left at the Bank of Hopkinsville Ky. in order that the Claimant might receive the money for same when he should appear; this McMullen declined to do, but carried the said Check back to Clarksville (Tenn.) and on the 11th day of Sept. 1869, (3) he, McMullen, returned the Check payable to the order of said Martin, to the Chief Disbursing Officer Bu. RF & AL Washington D.C. with a request that the Check for Gilbert Martin's Bounty, be made payable, to him (McMullen) as the Claimant lived at or near Hopkinsville Ky. and he could pay him easier by having the Check



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