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M'LENDON REPLIES TO SMITH'S ORGAN

FOR A MOST VIGOROUS FASHION.

Terms Paper High Priest of Suppression, Misrepresentation and Exaggeration.

Atlanta Ga., June 24.—In his characteristic vigorous and salty style, Chairman McLendon replied today to the editorial attack of the Atlanta Journal of June 23. He brands the editorial as "the malevolent speech of a disappointed hireling," and produces correspondence to show that the editor of the journal in question desired him, as a public official to willfully misstate and overrepresent the facts in the "port rate" controversy.

A little later Mr. McLendon expected to produce another statement in which he will undertake to show what he terms "the gold brick of the port rate fallacy."

To the People of Georgia: With the destructive instinct of a brute, the malignant heart of an assassin and the malevolent speech of a disappointed hireling, the Atlanta Journal on Wednesday, June 23, made a wicked and vicious attack upon me, all because I did not vote, as a member of the railroad commission, to support that paper. The proposition voted on was to practically establish an almost complete monopoly in special rates in Georgia, in favor of Atlanta jobbers, and to give at the same time a gold brick to the balance of the state.

The Atlanta Journal does not belong to the class of respectable newspapers; it is merely a malicious organ, an habitual purveyor of falsehood, which publicity makes loud protestations of its reliability and secretly advocates the suppression and misrepresentation of facts.

The general situation of the railroads in the early part of 1908 is matter of common history; in 1896-97 they had increased the wage scale until wages were higher than they ever had been in the history of the country. When the panic struck them and they found themselves compelled to renege, they first turned to their employees and asked them to permit the restoration of the wage scale to where it was in 1900. This, organized labor refused to submit to. Next, they were forced to consider the question of an advance in rates. With each of these movements I kept thoroughly informed. The agitation for an advance in rates began in April 1908, and I followed and collected in this office, the speeches and representations made by the railroads as to the necessities of their situation, and I followed these up with investigations to ascertain whether or not the representations made by them were really true or false. By July I had accumulated quite a file, representing correspondence with Samuel Gompers, Labor Commissioner Neil, Postmaster General Myer and others touching all questions which had been referred to in the public statements of railway officials as causes producing an increase of operating expenses and a decrease in revenue. In July and after the advance of 4 cents per barrel on flour, 5 cents per hundred pounds on meat and so on, from western points, had been announced and filed with the interstate commerce commission, this commission lustily called on the people of Georgia for an expression, not only of their wishes, but assistance in the way of furnishing information and facts that would justify the commission taking action before the interstate commerce commission in opposition to the proposed advances. Believing that the people were entitled to full, free and unbiased information upon this proposition, and the commission receiving but

one solitary letter from any trade body in the state, up to that time I on July 17, wrote a letter to the Albany Business League summing up the information which had been accumulated, and in that letter I said: "Without having made up my mind, I urge upon you, the Albany Business League, and upon all other trade bodies or individuals in Georgia, to assist the commission in obtaining the largest amount of material, trustworthy information. If the commission should decide to present this matter to the interstate commerce commission, it is privileged to present only the facts. We are already admonished that opinions or mere wishes count for very little."

Continuing, I said: "The sovereign must administer the highest justice, or else government will be either a cruel or a quixotic failure. The state must not only not only suppress or permit suppressed any material fact, but it must see to it that every material fact is brought out and is considered in its due proportion."

A copy of this letter to the Albany Business League was handed by me, personally, to the editor of the Atlanta Journal, the request that he should read it and advise, or give me the benefit of his opinion. The letter was handed to him on July 20, and on July 21 I received from him a letter in which he said:

"I have read your request, I have read with great interest your letter of the 17th instant, addressed to the Albany Business League. You ask my opinion as to the advisability of publishing this letter. I will give it to you frankly."

"I do not think that this letter should be published under any circumstances."

"I very much doubt if it ought even to be sent under personal cover."

The editor then entered into a long dissertation on the general subject of railway legislation and misrepresentations made by railway officials, and referred to my letter as an argument. To my mind it was a mere recital of facts but whether facts or argument, if sound, as the one of the other, the public was entitled to its benefits. The correspondence is too long to quote, but it is in the office, subject to inspection of anybody who may wish to read it.

Continuing, the editor said: "Broadly speaking you, of course, represent the interests of the people of the state and the railroads alike. That is to say, you are supposed to regard judicially the rights of the people, as the rights of the railroad. You hold a commission from the people to protect their interests."

"I cannot see how your official position will permit you to act otherwise than as a partisan of the people."

Here was the editor of a newspaper, whose letter is open to inspection, urging upon public officials the suppression of information to which the entire public was entitled. What harm could come from the dissemination of this information among the people. If facts were stated, they were entitled to know them; if falsehoods were stated they should be given an opportunity to tear them into tatters.

The only conceivable benefits that could come to any person by the suppression of the facts would be to such public newspapers as were engaged in the promulgation of falsehoods and the manufacture of public prejudices based on misinformation.

only notoriety as a reward for his efforts. "If this commission should go into the courts or should go before the interstate commerce commission, should go into the courts or should go before the interstate commerce commission, my own opinion is that it should go there stripped to the waist and armed with facts which have been gathered in the light of a noonday publicly and fight its battles with a knightly courage. "You read my letter to the Albany Business League to little purpose if you did not express any opinion whatever in that letter, except the opinion as to the assertion of Vice President Brown, that the rates per ton mile had decreased in this country 18 per cent between the years 1890 and 1905."

I said further: "The great point to my mind in the administration of government is to first ascertain the facts, then make known the facts, and then act upon the facts. I recognize the duty resting upon the commission to protect the individual who is helpless, but I think it is also the duty of the commission to protect the carrier when the individual en masse is moved by misinformation and therefore more powerful than the individual who has his money invested in a public service corporation. There is an element of helplessness on each side. It is the duty of the state to protect alike the weak and the strong, and no agency of protection is one half as potent as the truth. It we err, let us, as Jefferson once said of Washington, 'err with integrity.'"

Following out the principal laid down in this letter, I went through the record of over 500 typewritten pages in the Beck and Gregg Hardware Co., case and arrived at a conclusion based upon the facts disclosed in that record. The editor of the Journal has never seen the record, does not wish to see the record and cares nothing about the merits of the case, but would, with the rough hand of the highwayman, reach out and seize the object of his desires.

The Journal is just a common would-be newspaper bully, and this is given to the public to show up the Journal in its true light as the High Priest of Suppression, Misrepresentation and Exaggeration.

"I do not think this letter should be published under any circumstances."

"I cannot conceive how your high official position will permit you in acting otherwise than as a partisan of the people."

In what I shall have to say on the Port-Rate-Gold-Brick recently offered to the people of Georgia, I shall endeavor to show not that I was a partisan of the people but that I was against the creation of a situation in Georgia in favor of a few shippers in Atlanta, which would be rankly discriminatory as against many other shippers in Atlanta, and as against practically every other town in the state.

This letter is intended to introduce to the people, the Atlanta Journal in its true colors. What I shall say on the so-called Port-Rate proposition will show to the people how eager the Journal is to secure special and exclusive benefits for Atlanta and how infamous, contemptible and cowardly it is in charging me with being a traitor merely because I had the temerity not to please it by my vote.

S. G. McLENDON.

REGISTER DOTS. Mrs. Lem Mide, of Statesboro, spent Tuesday night with her mother, Mrs. D. L. Kennedy. Mrs. S. G. DeLoach visited Statesboro Tuesday morning. Mr. John Bowen visited Statesboro Tuesday. Quite a number of people took in the Tybee special from Register Wednesday and reported a pleasant trip. Messrs. K. E. Watson, H. M. Jones, T. L. Moore, H. R. Riggs, J. T. Jones, Lonnie Fordham, Rodney Wilson, Pierce Register and D. Wilson, composing the Register team, went to Statesboro Thursday to play the Moss Backs. The game resulted in a score of 8 to 7 in favor of Statesboro. Only seven innings were played account of time.

Miss Elizabeth Mitchell, who has been assistant teacher at the Register high school, returned to her home in London, Ky., Thursday.

Mrs. Geo. Dekle visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Kennedy, Thursday. Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Rowe were in town Friday. Mr. D. M. Rogers went to Statesboro on business Tuesday.

Dr. H. C. McCrackin was called to the bedside of his brother-in-law at Washington, Ga., who was not expected to live. The Doctor left Wednesday morning.

Mrs. W. B. Wallace, of Hagan, passed through here Friday enroute to Statesboro, where she was going to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Williams.

If you have dyspepsia or indigestion or any stomach trouble, you must help the stomach do its work by taking something that can and will digest the food for the stomach. Kodol will do this, and it is the only thing we know that will. Kodol is made of the natural digestive juices. It will digest the food you eat. Every tablespoonful will digest 2-4 pounds of any food that you may ordinarily eat. Kodol is pleasant to take. It is sold by W. H. Ellis Co.

WHEN YOU NEED A new set of Books opened or an old set closed, or anything in the line of General Book-keeping done, I will be pleased to figure with you. Have had about ten years' experience in actual Book-keeping, and am thoroughly familiar with all the latest short cuts in Book-keeping.

TYPERITING WORK ALSO DONE. GLENN BLAND.

Excursion Fares Via Central of Georgia Railway. To Macon, Ga., and return, account General State Baptist Convention to be held June 16-21, 1909. Tickets on sale from all points in Georgia.

To Monticello and Sewanee, Tenn., and return, account Mission Week (Willems and Gilbert Lectures) to be held July 1-16, 1909. Monticello Bible School to be held July 17-29, 1909; Monticello Sunday School Institute and Musical Festival, to be held July 30 to August 15, 1909. To Cumberland Island, Ga., and return, account Georgia Education Association, to be held June 23-25, 1909. Excursion fares apply from agencies in Georgia.

To Nashville, Tenn., and return, account Peabody Summer School for Teachers and Vanderbilt Biblical Institute, to be held June 9, August 4, 1909. For further information regarding to total rates, dates of sale, limit, etc., apply to nearest ticket agent. J. C. Haile, Gen. Pass. Agent, Savannah, Ga.

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Glenwood, Ga., June 10, 1909. Mr. Fred C. Wallis, Genl. Agent, Empire Mutual Life Insurance Co., Savannah.

Dear Sir:— I beg to acknowledge receipt today of No. 9371, for the sum of \$2,500.00 (Twenty-five Hundred Dollars) in full settlement of death claim on Louise Lick. This prompt payment on the part of your Company deserves special commendation. Mr. Patrick died estate and papers of administration could not be taken until the 7th inst. I qualified at that time, and waited the proofs of death and on the 14th inst. the party forwarded check in settlement, thus demonstrating that clean, honest and satisfactory life insurance done in Georgia. Your company deserves the unified support of Georgians.

Appreciating your promptness in the press, I beg to remain, E. D. PATRICK, Administrator Estate Louise Patrick.

E. E. DOWNING Special Agent. Statesboro, Ga.

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List your property for sale, with Sorrier & Brannen, Statesboro, Ga.

We will shortly issue a booklet to be sent over the country at large, advertising farms and town lots in Bulloch county.

If you want to sell your land place it with us AT ONCE. We charge a small commission for making sales. See us or write us at once.

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LEGISLATURE WILL UPHOLD M'LENDON.

This is Expected to be the Certain Result of the Railroad Commissioner's Suspension.

Atlanta, June 26.—Absorbing interest now centers in what the legislature is going to do with Chairman S. G. McLendon of the railroad commission, following his suspension from office by Governor Smith, who, himself, went out of office today.

Even the friends of Governor Smith think that the legislature will, perhaps, sustain Chairman McLendon, though some of them profess to believe that the railroad commissioner will have a narrow escape in the house of representatives, if not in both bodies.

The most generally accepted opinion is, however, that both houses will give Chairman McLendon a majority, retaining him in the office of railroad commissioner.

Generally speaking, it looks as if the two houses were going to be pretty well divided along partisan lines. Governor Smith's friends voting to oust the chairman and his opponents to retain him in office. There are some members, however, who may get above partisan aspects of the case, though every way they vote they cannot get above the suspicion of it.

JOINT COMMITTEE'S DUTIES. The matter will probably go to a joint committee of both houses to investigate the allegations contained in Governor Smith's message and report simply the evidence to both bodies. It is not contemplated that the committee shall make any recommendation as to legislative action. Thus each member of the general assembly will be left with free mind—so it is said—to put his own construction upon the evidence and vote accordingly.

As much as they may try to get away from it, the situation is going to be pretty much of a partisan line-up throughout.

It is said caucuses of members of the general assembly have been held on both sides of the question, and one report has it that quite a number of members went to Governor Smith's house the night his action was taken, to talk over the situation from his standpoint.

THE CHIEF GROUND OF COMPLAINT. The governor's chief ground of complaint against Chairman McLendon is that he got off the Macon platform upon which he was nominated. Whether off or on Chairman McLendon says he is now acting under oath as an official of the state, and is compelled to perform his duty as he sees it, regardless of platforms. Besides, he says the Atlanta platform has been adopted since the Macon platform, and has recalled some of the things prescribed in the Macon document.

Chairman McLendon says he is fully ready to make reply, and is eager for a hearing before the general assembly. He is anxious to get it and be over with it as quickly as possible, considering that he has a right to have the matter speedily disposed of.

GOVERNOR'S QUICK ACTION. Governor Smith evidently did not intend to suspend Chairman McLendon until just two or three days before his term expired.

When it was suggested to him a couple of months ago that in view of the chairman's alleged adverse attitude to port rates and other rate reductions, he, the governor, might follow the same course he pursued in the case of Commissioner Brown, he replied: "My answer to that is I don't care to make another incompetent governor."

Evidently he thought better of it, considering, perhaps, that in view of the fact that Chairman McLendon had committed precisely similar offenses to those of Commissioner Brown, to be consistent, he would have to suspend him.

VIEWED SERIOUSLY IN LEGISLATURE. The situation has produced considerable amusement all over the state, though in legislative circles it is viewed in its serious aspects. The legislative investigation will determine how far the governor has authority to suspend a railroad commissioner who differs with the executive policy, for that is really what it amounts to.

And since Chairman McLendon's case is similar to that of Commissioner Brown, the legislative decision will, to a certain extent, be a decision in the Brown case, which never came to a hearing.

BIG PICNIC AT TYBEE ON FRIDAY, 2

Statesboro Sunday Schools Will Join In Great Day at the Sea Shore Cheap Rates Special Train.

On Sunday afternoon it was announced that the Statesboro Sunday Schools would go to Tybee on Friday to spend the day on the beach. All the Sunday Schools in the city will join in on the trip. The Central of Georgia Railway Co. will run a special train for this occasion. It will leave here Friday morning at six o'clock and arrive in Savannah at eight, making a schedule of two hours for the run. The rate for the return trip will be \$1.50 for adults and 75c for children.

The train will run all the way between Statesboro without making any stops except at Dover where some little halt will have to be made to get on the main line. Mr. O. W. Horne will be along to assist the passengers on the trip. A baggage car will be provided for the baskets which will be carted across to the Tybee Depot and back free of charge.

A large crowd is expected to take in this occasion. It will be open to everybody who wants to go regardless of whether you are a Sunday School scholar or not. The season at Tybee is in full blast and you will have a good time. Returning the train will leave the Central Railroad depot in Savannah at six o'clock and arrive in Statesboro at eight o'clock.

WOMEN WHO ARE ENVIED. Those attractive women who are lovely in face, form and temper are the envy of many who might be like them. A weak, sickly woman will be nervous and irritable. Constipation or kidney troubles show in pimples, blotches, skin eruptions and a wretched complexion. For all such, Electric Bitters work wonders. They regulate the stomach, liver and kidneys, purify the blood; give strong nerves, bright eyes, pure breath, smooth, velvety skin, lovely complexion. Many charming women owe their health and beauty to them. 50c, at W. H. Ellis Co's.

Death of Mr. Knight. The friends of Mr. A. J. Knight of the firm of A. J. Knight & Bro., on Stillson route No. 1, will be pained to learn of his death, which occurred very suddenly yesterday morning.

Mr. Knight had been enjoying his usual good health up to a short time before his death and the news was a shock to his family and friends. He had never been married, though he had advanced toward middle age.

Mr. Knight was one of Bulloch's best citizens and his death will be a distinct loss to the county and community.

Attention Methodists. The chairman of the board of trustees and the board of stewards of the Methodist church are requested to meet at the church this evening at 8 o'clock to transact business of importance.

If you have dyspepsia or indigestion or any stomach trouble, you must help the stomach do its work by taking something that can and will digest the food for the stomach. Kodol will do this, and it is the only thing we know that will. Kodol is made of the natural digestive juices. It will digest the food you eat. Every tablespoonful will digest 2-4 pounds of any food that you may ordinarily eat. Kodol is pleasant to take. It is sold by W. H. Ellis Co.

NOTICE. The Savannah & Statesboro train No. 87 will be held three hours in Savannah on Monday July 5th, leaving at 6 p. m., instead of 8 p. m. This will give ample time for all of those who desire to witness the double-header game between Savannah and Chattanooga.

Boarders Wanted. We want fifteen summer boarders for the summer months. This is a beautiful house with a large shaded lot.

MRS. H. D. WEAVER, No. 126 Washington St., Atlanta, Ga.

Bank of Statesboro, Statesboro, Ga.

Capital, \$75,000.00
Surplus, \$25,000.00

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J. L. COLEMAN, Pres. W. C. PARKER, V. Pres.
S. C. GROOVER, Cashier.

NEW POSTMASTER FOR STATESBORO

Mr. W. H. Blitch Gets Appointment—News Was Surprise to the Patrons of the Office.

Like a thunder clap from a clear sky the news of the appointment of Mr. W. H. Blitch fell on the ears of the people of Statesboro. Mr. Blitch has been named by President Taft as postmaster of the First Congressional District, outside of the Collector of the port at Savannah and the postmasterhip at that place.

Mr. Blitch is well qualified to fill the place, his father having been postmaster at Blitch for twenty-five years or longer, he should have a sort of insight into the affairs of the office. While he has always been a straight republican, Mr. Blitch, the retiring postmaster, has lots of friends in Statesboro who will regret to see him lose the place. His administration during the past several months has been the best that the office has ever had, and as the largest patron of the office, the Statesboro News feel like saying that his shoes will be hard to fill, yet Mr. Blitch is equally well qualified to render such a service as we have been enjoying lately.

The change will take place as soon as the nomination is confirmed by the senate, and the necessary papers, bond, etc. arranged.

Mr. J. D. Blitch and family are spending a few days out in their arm near Port.

Too Many People Fish

for fortunes; risk their earnings in all kinds of foolish in vestments and gambles. Beware of investments and schemes that promise too big returns. Most fortunes or built slowly, little by little, in a systematic manner. Figure out your income, make your outgo less and save the balance. Open an account with us.

The First National Bank Of Statesboro, Ga.

BROOKS SIMMONS President. J. E. McCREAN Cashier.

Directors: F. P. REGISTER, M. G. BRANNEN, W. W. WILLIAMS, J. A. B. RUSHING, F. N. GRIMES, BROOKS SIMMONS, F. E. FIELD.

One Dollar (\$1.00) will open an account with us. Start and make it grow. We pay five (5) per cent. on time deposits. Four (4) per cent. paid in Savings Department. Call and get one of our little Banks.

Mr. Henry Griner has returned from a two week's stay at Tybee and Savannah.

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LOCAL AND PERSONAL

On Thursday there will be a rush to take advantage of the slaughter in prices at the Big Sale of the Statesboro Mercantile Co.

Miss Doria Warren returned to her home at Tifton on yesterday morning after spending the spring months with her sister, Mrs. Bruce Donaldson, of this place.

Grover Brannen will leave this morning for Gainesville, where he will resume his studies at Riverside Military Academy.

Miss Edie Shearouse, of Brooklet, is visiting friends in Statesboro this week.

Mrs. W. P. Donaldson, of Blitch, is visiting relatives in Statesboro.

Master Shell Brannen had a narrow escape from drowning out at Roberts' Mill on Saturday. He was swimming in the pond near the flood gates; the strong current pulled him through. Fortunately others were near enough to rescue him.

Mr. Henry Alderman suffered a painful accident on yesterday by sticking a splinter about three inches into his arm. It has laid him up for a few days.

Prof. J. E. Brannen, accompanied by his son Stilson, left yesterday morning for Tallulah Falls, where they will attend the meeting of the State School Commissioners. Mr. Jason Franklin will leave for the same place this morning.

Mr. J. B. Groover left yesterday morning for his home near Enal. He carried with him a two mule team loaded down with eleven barrels of near beer. Something doing.

The full force of the heat of midsummer is now upon us. We are still in the hands of the ice man.

Attention is called to the big advertisement of the Statesboro Mercantile Co. in this issue. They have some largains that will attract the people who want to stretch their dollars a long ways.

Prof. W. J. Davis, of Hubert, passed through the city on Saturday enroute to Athens, where he will attend the Normal School during the summer. He arranged to have the News follow him on this trip.

The tax books will close on next Monday, July 5th. Mr. Akins informs us that he will not be on duty at the court house after the 1st, which is Tuesday, until Monday again, when he will have the books on hand to accommodate those who want to return their taxes.

Col. G. S. Johnston returned this week from New York, where he went about ten days ago on a business trip.

The Farm Committee of the Board of Trustees of the Agricultural School will meet at the school on Thursday for the purpose of going through the affairs of the school so as to be able to make a report to the full board which meets next day in Savannah.

The corn crops in Bulloch county are the best ever known. This gives us assurance of plenty of hog and hominy for another year.

The friends of Mr. and Mrs. B. P. Maull will regret to learn of the death of their three days' old infant on Saturday morning. The remains of the little fellow were interred in the cemetery near the city.

WANTED—One bushel of huckleberries, at once. Cash paid for same at Gupton's Shop.

The big stock reduction sale of the Statesboro Mercantile Co. will be all the talk of the town for the next twenty days.

Mr. and Mrs. Gustave Jaekel, of Savannah, are visiting in Statesboro for a day or two.

JIMPS ITEMS.

The farmers of this section are about done laying by their corn and will soon lay by their cotton. They seem to be wearing a smile as they realize that "general green" is almost conquered for this season.

Quite a large crowd attended preaching at Lotts Creek last Sunday.

Mr. Sewell Kennedy attended the convention at Brooklet last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. T. Olliff visited Statesboro last Thursday. The Jimps baseball team is very enthusiastic over the victories that it has been winning from neighboring teams. Statesboro, Savannah, or Augusta might feel proud of a challenge from the boys.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Warnock were in Statesboro Monday on business.

WENT AFOOT TO HIS INAUGURAL.

Brown Dodged the Band

Atlanta, June 26.—Joseph M. Brown, son of "Joe" Brown, one of Georgia's war-time governors, went to his inauguration today with Jeffersonian simplicity. Some what contrary to his wishes a brass band was waiting this morning with enthusiastic admirers at the trolley line where it was expected that Mr. Brown would arrive in Atlanta from his home in Marietta, twenty-five miles away. Mr. Brown, however, came to Atlanta by train; the band played well, but in vain, the crowds gathered at the state capital building, strolling leisurely under a sky blazing with heat well above 90. One of these men was the governor-elect. Clad in a light colored suit of Prince Albert cut, of Georgia make. He carried an umbrella over his arm and a small paper parcel, apparently the manuscript of his inaugural address.

HAD AN "APPOINTMENT." As to how there happened to be four persons in the governor-elect's party when he approached the capital the following story is told:

"Mr. Brown and his brother were nearing the capital alone and unobserved when an acquaintance of Mr. Brown spied him and sang out:

"Good morning." Mr. Brown replied in kind, introduced his brother and asked:

"Where are you going over this way?"

"Why, I've got a meeting on at the Farmer's Union and I'm late," was the reply.

"Well," replied the governor-elect, "I've got an appointment at the capital myself this morning and we'll all walk along together."

A newspaper man at that moment completed the quartette.

Mr. Brown quickly passed into the capital building and there in the governor's reception room was met by Hoke Smith, the retiring governor, his bitter political enemy. When Governor Smith took office two years ago, one of his first acts was to remove from office "Joe" Brown, then a state railroad commissioner. Brown's campaign against Smith a year ago and his victory was a political sensation.

As the two faced today the retiring governor said:

"Good morning, Mr. Brown."

"Howdy, Governor," was the reply of the incoming executive. Then they shook hands.

No one could have made a salve, ointment, lotion or balm to compare with Bucklen's Arnica salve. It's the one perfect healer of cuts, corns, burns, bruises, sores, scalds, boils, ulcers, eczema, salt rheum. For sore eyes, cold sores, chapped hands it's supreme. Infalible for piles. Only 25c, at W. H. Ellis Co.'s

JOS. M. BROWN NOW GOVERNOR

CHEERS GREET NEW EXECUTIVE

As He Takes Oath of Office and Accepts the Great Seal of State.

Atlanta, Ga., June 26.—A few minutes after noon today, in the presence of the state officials of Georgia, legislative, executive and judicial, and the largest crowd that ever filled the house of representatives, Joseph Mackie Brown took the oath that qualified him to discharge the duties of the chief executive for the next two years.

The oath was administered by Chief Justice William H. Fish of the supreme court of Georgia, at the conclusion of the inaugural address. Then Hoke Smith delivered to Joseph M. Brown the silver dies of the great seal of the state, and a new page had been turned in Georgia's political and official history.

Hereafter it is "Gov. Brown" and "ex-Gov. Smith."

It was a dramatic, pulse-stirring moment when the two men faced each other, the one to receive from the other the insignia of power and executive authority. The silver dies, usually carefully wrapped in chamomile and kept in the office safe of the secretary of state, lay in the open hand of Gov. Hoke Smith.

There was a silence that was almost oppressive as the man who had just concluded a term as governor and the man who was entering upon his term of office completed the formality of the delivery of the seal.

No word was spoken, but with exceeding gravity Hoke Smith handed the great seal to Joseph M. Brown, who bowed low to receive this visible insignia of power.

Then the enthusiasm of the friends and supporters of Gov. Brown, who packed the hall, broke forth. The cheering continued for several minutes.

In the same order in which they had entered, the actors in the day's historic event retired from the hall a half hour later. Gov. Brown was followed to the executive office by probably 2,000 friends, who filed through the office and shook his hand.

As he retired from the hall of house, Gov. Brown was accompanied by Mrs. Brown, who stood by his side during the official reception, and shook hands with the governor's friends. Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Smith also assisted in receiving the visitors. Mr. Smith was manager of Mr. Brown's successful campaign for the nomination for governor.

Every inch of space in the house was occupied when the hands of the clock pointed to the hour of noon. The whirring electric fans and the waving palms in the hands of visitors and legislators testified to the wilting heat. Hundreds who could not gain admission to the hall where the exercises attendant upon the inauguration were being conducted, crowded the corridors.

At 11:45 o'clock Speaker Holder announced a recess subject to the call of the chair. A few minutes later members of the senate entered and took seats on the right of the chair. President John M. Slaton of the senate received the gavel from Speaker Holder and called the joint assembly to order.

Promptly at noon Gov.-elect Brown entered the hall upon the arm of Representative Hall of Bibb. Gov. Smith entered with Senator Rudolph of the Forty-second. The other members of the inauguration committee of the two houses followed.

Next were the ex-governors of Georgia, Joseph M. Terrell, Allen D. Candler, W. J. Northen and Henry D. McDaniel. Following them were the federal and state court judges.

Last came the justices of the supreme court and the judges of the court of appeals, who found places on the speaker's stand.

The members of the family of Gov.-elect Brown and his personal escort had seats in front of the stand on the left of the speaker.

In addition to the official party and the invited guests of those who were taking conspicuous part in the proceedings, several hundred other persons crowded into the chamber. The galleries outside thronged with persons seeking to gain admission. Every available inch of space was occupied.

It required frequent appeals from President Slaton and even a threat to clear the center aisle, before a pathway could be made for the judges of the supreme court to enter. Finally the judges made their way through to the stand.

President Slaton of the senate, who presided over the joint session, announced: "It is now my privilege and honor to present to you for inauguration, the Hon. Joseph M. Brown, who has been elected by the people of Georgia to be governor of Georgia for the next two years."

As Gov.-elect Brown arose and faced the crowd he was greeted with cheers. Frequently during the delivery of his brief inaugural address, he was stopped by cheers and applause. The presiding officer made no attempt to stay the enthusiasm. Once or twice a partisan cheer for "Hoke Smith" recalled the stirring scenes of the campaign which had been fought and won.

The governor-elect spoke in an earnest, deliberate and forceful manner. He invoked the blessing of God and dedicated himself for the next two years to the service of the state.

At the conclusion of Mr. Brown's inaugural address he announced, "I am now ready to take the oath of office."

Mr. Brown rejected the Bible regularly used in the house and held in his hand a small Bible, covered with brown leather. It was the gift of his father and bore on the fly leaf the inscription:

"Presented to Joseph M. Brown by his father, Dec. 28, 1868."

When he had responded "I do" to the oath, he bent reverently and kissed the book he held in his hands.

Nothing remained but the delivery of the great seal of the state. When this passed from the hands of the retiring governor to the hands of the new governor, the ceremonies were concluded.

Returning to the executive office, Gov. and Mrs. Brown took their positions in the center of the large reception room and for over an hour shook the hands of admiring friends. Mrs. Brown shook as many hands as did the governor.

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For further information in regard to total rates, dates of sale, limit, etc., apply to nearest ticket agent.

J. C. Haile, Gen. Pass. Agent, Savannah, Ga.

Are you warm? If so, go to The Utopia.

SMITH TURNED DOWN FINCH PARDON

This Famous Case Now Knocks at Door of Gov. Joseph M. Brown.

Col. A. M. Deal returned from Atlanta Saturday afternoon and reports that he failed to get a hearing on the application of D. C. Finch asking for a commutation of the jail sentence. Owing to the fact that the solicitor of the city court had asked for a hearing, Gov. Smith declined to hear the side of Mr. Finch until he had had an opportunity to hear both sides. In as much as that was the last day of Mr. Smith's term of office as governor, this action leaves the matter knocking at the door of Gov. Brown.

Solicitor Lanier will make a strong fight against commutation and will appear before Governor Brown and the prison board with a pile of evidence showing why the sentence of the city Court should be enforced, both as to the fine and jail sentence. Mr. Finch will submit a petition and certificate from physicians going to show that he is physically unable to serve the jail sentence, and could not live three months in jail. The state will submit that Mr. Finch is not half as sick as the people are of him in the community in which he has been operating an open barroom for many years. Mr. Finch's attorneys have been claiming that while some of the Finches' may have sold lots of whiskey, Dave has never engaged in this traffic to any considerable extent, that he only touched it occasionally. The state will contend that Dave Finch has been the most notorious Finch of all the Finches; they will submit that he has grown rich off this traffic, and has demoralized the community in which he has operated for all these years, along the lines laid down by Judge Brannen while passing sentence on him and his brother Bill at the conclusion of the trial which resulted in their conviction. Solicitor Lanier states that he has cinched his case with newly discovered evidence going to show that Finch had been an extensive dealer in whiskey.

Unfortunately for these defendants, Paul Heyman, a wholesale whiskey dealer formerly of Augusta but now of Chattanooga, has filed suit in the city court here against Messrs. D. B. Finch, B. J. Finch and Oliver Finch for large sums, covering itemized bills for whiskey sold them. The account against D. C. Finch amounts to twelve hundred dollars for whiskey, the items set out showed large shipments of pints, quarts and half pints all on the same date. The cases against Oliver and B. J. Finch amount to about five hundred dollars each for quarts, pints, and half pints. Solicitor General Lanier will point out that this shows they were not only dealers, but very extensive dealers. And he'll also submit that there may have been various other purchases from various other firms during this period, as Paul Heyman is not supposed to be the only man selling whiskey to dealers in the United States.

The case will come up for a hearing before the prison commission and Governor Brown this week.

It is interesting to note that one of the defendants in the Paul Heyman case for whiskey is Oliver Finch, whose case has just been argued before the court of appeals, whose verdict has not been handed down yet.

Tell some deserving rheumatic sufferer, that there is yet one simple way to certain relief. Get Dr. Shoop's Book on Rheumatism and a free trial test. This book will make it entirely clear how rheumatic pains are quickly killed by Dr. Shoop's Rheumatic Remedy—liquid or tablets. Send no money. The test is free. Surprise some disheartened sufferer by first getting for him the book from Dr. Shoop, Racine, Wis. W. H. Ellis Co.

REGISTER DOTS.

Mr. J. E. Daugherty went to Statesboro Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Powell were in town Saturday morning.

Mr. P. L. Nevill spent Saturday morning in town.

Mr. D. B. Donaldson was here Monday.

Mrs. P. A. Trapnell of Metter spent Saturday with her daughter, Mrs. D. M. Rogers.

Rev. J. B. Dixon filled his regular appointment at Trinity church Sunday.

Mrs. E. B. Summerlin of Savannah has removed to our town, where she intends to make her future home.

Mr. D. M. Rogers and son spent Sunday at Davisboro and Meldrim.

Con. H. W. Benson of R. & G., who has been confined to his room is again able to resume his run.

Mr. H. M. Jones went Statesboro on business Monday.

Mr. J. E. Collins went to Statesboro Monday.

Miss Janie Holloway spent Sunday with her parents here.

Mr. C. M. Anderson was in Statesboro Monday.

Mr. S. G. DeLoach was in town Monday, en route to Statesboro.

Messrs. W. R. Woodcock and S. G. DeLoach will leave in a few days for Baltimore for a few days' vacation.

ADABELLE NEWS.

Mr. and Mrs. F. I. Williams visited the former's father, Mr. J. W. Williams, who is ill at sanitarium in Statesboro.

Messrs. George Kennedy and Joe Brown attended the sing at the Lake church Sunday.

Mrs. J. R. Everett of Cairo is visiting her parents near here.

Miss Mattie Olliff visited Statesboro Monday.

Mrs. W. B. Wallace of Hagan passed through Adabelle Friday en route to Statesboro.

Mr. Joe Smith of Hagan visited relatives near Adabelle Sunday.

Mr. J. E. Donehoo and Mr. Cecil Brannen of Statesboro were at Adabelle one day last week.

Miss Criss Caruthers visited friends near here last week.

If you want your dollar to do its full duty bring it along to the Big Sale at the Statesboro Mercantile Co. and you will be rewarded.

COMMISSIONER'S SALE.

Under and by virtue of a decree entered by the Circuit Court of the United States for the Eastern Division of the Southern District of Georgia on the 10th day of June 1909, in the case of W. J. Oliver vs. Savannah, Augusta & Northern Railway Company in equity, I will sell as an entirety at public auction to the highest and best bidder at 12 o'clock noon on the 2nd day of August 1909, at the railroad station of the Savannah, Augusta & Northern Railway Company in Statesboro, Georgia, all of the following property, to-wit: The entire railroad of the said Savannah, Augusta & Northern Railway Company extending from Statesboro in Bulloch County to Louisville in Jefferson County, Georgia, including all of the road way, right of way, cross ties, ties, trestles, depot grounds, water tanks, locomotives, cars, franchises and all other railroad properties of the said Savannah, Augusta & Northern Railway Company. I will receive no bid from any bidder who shall not first deposit with me as a pledge that he will make good his bid in case of acceptance, the sum of twenty thousand dollars in money, or a certified check for said sum upon some National Bank in the State of Georgia. In case the said bid is not accepted the said check shall be returned to the bidder but the amount of the check of the highest bidder shall be received and credited on account of the amount of his bid. The successful bidder, within five days after the sale, shall deposit with and pay into the registry of the court at Macon the amount of his bid, or if such purchaser shall be complainant or his assigns may satisfy and make good any part of his bid in excess of the certified check hereinbefore required, by turning in to be credited or cancelled as the case may be, the lien for \$28,515.84 with interest and costs foreclosed in said decree in said cause and to satisfy which the said railroad and railroad property was ordered to be sold. Said sale will be made subject to confirmation by the court.

This June 22nd 1909.

J. N. Talley, Commissioner.

Macon, Ga.

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The first, is the Desire or Inclination. Everyone has a wish for money—it is human nature, for it takes money to possess the comforts and necessities of life.

The second requirement is One Dollar or more. The first deposit need not be large, and after the first money is deposited, you have a bank account.

The size of your bank account rests with you.

Sea Island Bank,

Statesboro, Ga.

McLENDON HEARING AGAIN POSTPONED.

Almost Entire Time of the Body is Consumed in Roll Calls.

Atlanta, Ga., June 29.—Notwithstanding his earnest request that an immediate hearing be granted him, the suspension of Chairman of the Railroad Commission S. G. McLendon, was not taken up in either branch of the legislature today. Nearly the whole time of the house was consumed in the calling of the roll of counties for the introduction, first reading and referring of bills.

Immediately after the morning session began, Mr. Alexander, of DeKalb, made the point that the first in order of unfinished business was the special message of the governor suspending from office Chairman McLendon. Mr. Anderson, of Chatham, held that the roll call of counties for introduction of bills came first. After some discussion he speaker sustained the point of Mr. Anderson and ordered the roll call to be proceeded with.

There was considerable discussion in the house as to whether an adjournment from Friday until Tuesday would be more than the three days allowed by the constitution and whether it would require a joint resolution of both houses. After a spirited debate, at times, amusing the house, the course of which the house twice changed its position, the whole matter of Fourth of July adjournment was laid on the table.

A Correction.

In our last issue we stated everybody was invited to go the Sunday school excursion Tybee tomorrow. Since the appearance of the article the Sunday school people have asked us to correct the statement, inasmuch as everybody is not invited or expected to go. However, all Sunday school people—pupils, patrons, or friends—are asked and all people who will behave themselves will be welcome. They wish to make it plain that those who make a practice of tanking up and making themselves disagreeable and obnoxious are not wanted and will not be tolerated. All decent people, however, are invited and will be welcome.

MIDDLEBROOKS WANTS WHITE FIREMEN

On All Passenger Trains and Has Introduced Bill Asking for Such Law.

Atlanta, Ga., June 29.—Among the noteworthy bills introduced into the house today was one by Representative Middlebrooks of Newton providing that railroads must employ white men as firemen or engineers' helpers on all passenger trains.

It is said that the labor organizations of the state, particularly the locomotive firemen, will make a special effort to have this measure passed at this session. They are relying on the alleged public sentiment against the employment of negroes on trains aroused by the recent Georgia Railroad strike to carry the measure through, it is said. Representative Middlebrooks, himself, said that the purpose of the measure was not to exclude negroes from employment as firemen, but to safeguard the public.

Any lady reader of this paper will receive on request, a clever "No-Drip" Coffee Strainer Coupon privilege, from Dr. Shoop. Racine, Wis. It is silver-plated, very pretty, and positively prevents all dripping of tea or coffee. The Doctor sends it with his new free book on "Health Coffee" simply to introduce this clever substitute for real coffee. Dr. Shoop's Health Coffee is gaining its great popularity because of first: first, its exquisite taste and flavor; second, its absolute healthfulness; third, its economy—1½ lbs 25c; fourth, its convenience. No tedious 20 to thirty minutes boiling. "Made in a minute" says Dr. Shoop. Try it at your grocer's, for a pleasant surprise. Olmiff & Smith.

Dug His Own Grave; Then Killed Himself.

Salem, Ind., June 28.—Today Joseph B. Hamilton, a farmer of Salem, committed suicide with a shotgun. He seated himself on a stump and adjusted his gun and tripped the trigger.

It has been learned since his death that he had dug his own grave in the family burying ground.

NOTICE.

The Savannah & Statesboro train No. 41 will be held three hours in Savannah on Monday July 5th, leaving at 3 p. m. instead of 3 p. m. This will give ample time for all of the people to witness the football game between Savannah and Statesboro.

NEGRO KILLED BY POSSE.

HAD MURDERED WHITE FARMER.

While Surrounded in Swamp Negro Began Firing in Every Direction.

Adrian, Ga., June 29.—Robert Jenkins, a negro, who killed Geo. Howell, a well known farmer, and fatally wounded his wife, was shot to death yesterday in the swamps three and a half miles from Adrian.

The negro opened fire on the posse as soon as the party approached. Two members of the posse, W. S. Clements and Y. L. Hall, were wounded during the encounter.

Mr. Clements was shot in the foot and Mr. Hall in the thigh. The wounds are slight.

The killing of the negro by the posse followed a previous attempt a day or so ago to lynch the wife of the murderer. The arrival of officers prevented the work of the mob at that time.

It was claimed that the wife of the negro had a hand in the plot to murder Mr. Howell and his wife. Mr. Howell was shot to death and his wife wounded several days ago while at work in a field which adjoins their home.

It appears that the negro owed Mr. Howell some money, and Mr. Howell had made an effort to have the negro work out the amount on his farm. This the negro refused to do, and it is understood he made threats.

On the morning of the tragedy the negro procured a shotgun and went to the field, where Mr. Howell and his wife were at work. Without warning he opened fire, killing Mr. Howell instantly and wounding his wife.

As soon as the news of the tragedy became known a posse was formed and a search for the negro was begun. The pursuit was kept up until yesterday, when he was surrounded in the swamps.

The negro, who carried a cheap 32-caliber pistol, began firing on the posse. The fire was returned and as he fell wounded he was heard to exclaim: "Lord, have mercy on my soul," and expired.

The posse returned to Adrian with the body of the negro.

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BRANDENBURG FREE FOR FEW MINUTES

Was Acquitted of One Charge and Then Rearrested for Kidnapping Cabanne III.

New York, June 29.—Although Broughton Brandenburg was acquitted here today of the charge of grand larceny in connection with the sale of an spurious letter of Grover Cleveland to the New York Times, he had only a few minutes of freedom. Before leaving the court room he was rearrested and will be taken to St. Louis next week for trial on a charge of fraudulently enticing from the child's parents, his stepson, James Shepard Cabanne 8d. The maximum penalty for this offense in Missouri is 20 years imprisonment. The author was taken back to the toombs in default of \$5,000 bail, to await the arrival of the Missouri officials.

The verdict of acquittal on the grand larceny charge was reached within a few minutes after the presiding justice had charged the jury that the question of genuineness of Cleveland's signature was immaterial and that even the question of genuineness of the articles was only a secondary consideration. The primary consideration, he told them, was whether the defendant had stolen \$500, the price paid for the article, from the New York Times. They must acquit the defendant, he continued, if they found that the Times had not relied on Brandenburg's statement as to the genuineness of the article, but had relied rather on the representation of F. S. Hastings, one of the Cleveland executors, whom they consulted before purchasing the article.

The extradition papers for Brandenburg's transfer to St. Louis are now in the hands of Governor Hughes, at Albany.

It is expected that they will reach New York tomorrow. The kidnapping, which Brandenburg admits, occurred shortly after the writer jumped his bail while under indictment for the sale of the Cleveland article. He was found in San Francisco with the Cabanne boy, whom he had picked up in St. Louis.

PARISH DOTS.

The farmers of this section are busy laying by their crops this week.

Mr. A. A. Daughtry spent last Tuesday in Statesboro.

Mr. Willie Bland, of Metter, spent Sunday in town.

Misses Fannie Davidson and Alice Bland, of Metter, spend Sunday and Monday with Miss Marie Bazemore.

Messrs. R. K. Hartley and W. H. Carter visited Statesboro Saturday.

Mr. M. D. Bazemore left for Savannah last Monday, where he will make his home for a short while.

Miss Annie Lee Oglesby spent Monday with Miss Ruby Woods. The school closing here last Friday was conducted by Mr. W. H. Carter.

Mr. Ed. Fordham was in town last week.

Mr. O. L. Patterson made a flying trip to Savannah a few Sundays ago.

Mr. R. K. Hartley says that he has the finest crop of cotton that he has ever had. It will measure four feet.

WHEAT TO BE GROWN HERE.

NEW MOVE BY BULLOCH FARMERS

High Price of Flour Causes Awakening on Part of Union Members.

A move has been put on foot among the members of the Farmers' Union to grow enough wheat in this county for home consumption.

The high price of flour has had much to do with this awakening on the part of the tillers of the soil, which means much to them in the future.

Bulloch has a reputation far and wide for being a County whose people produce their own supplies. She has the reputation of producing her own corn, and meat, and lard, and having some to spare for her neighbors.

Now, if she will take up the matter of wheat as she has done corn and bacon, she will find that the experiment will prove a success. Wheat will grow in this county equally as well as oats. The writer has grown all varieties of wheat—in small plots for exhibition purposes, of course, but our experience showed that it grew equally as well as any other grain.

One trouble will be experienced at the start, and that will be the lack of flour mills to grind the wheat, but if it is once taken up we believe the experiment will prove so successful that it will not be abandoned soon.

If you have dyspepsia or indigestion or any stomach trouble, you must help the stomach do its work by taking something that can and will digest the food for the stomach. Kodol will do this, and it is the only thing we know that will. Kodol is made of the natural digestive juices. It will digest the food you eat. Every tablespoonful will digest 2-4 pounds of any food that you may ordinarily eat. Kodol is pleasant to take. It is sold by W. H. Ellis Co.

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For good Augusta brick] see Jones & Kennedy.

METTER NOTES.

Master Louis Kennedy has returned from school and is spending the vacation at home.

The farmers around here are busy hoeing cotton, which is, in some places very grassy.

M. — Williamson visited his sister, Mrs. F. J. Bland, last week.

Miss Annie Radford is on a visit to her sister, Mrs. Bland.

In sickness, if a certain hidden nerve goes wrong, then the organ that this nerve controls will also surely fail. It may be a stomach nerve, or it may have given strength and support to the heart or kidneys. It was Dr. Shoop who first pointed to this vital truth. Dr. Shoop's Restorative was not made to dose the stomach nor to temporarily stimulate the heart or kidneys. The fashionable method is all wrong. Dr. Shoop's Restorative goes directly to these falling inside nerves. The remarkable success of this prescription demonstrates the wisdom of treating the actual cause of these falling organs. And it is indeed easy to prove. A simple five or ten days test will surely tell. Try it once and see! Sold by W. H. Ellis Co.

Annual Excursion.

The S. & S. Railway will run their annual mid-summer excursion on Thursday, July 15.

This is the excursion that the ladies and children always enjoy, on account of not being crowded, and has been known for years as our mid-summer family excursion.

A special train will leave Statesboro at 8:15 a. m., and will not make any stops between Statesboro and Savannah except at Brooklet, where the Brooklet Sunday school will join us. Train will not leave Tybee until 5 p. m. Fare for round trip \$1.50, half tickets 75c.

The above date has been selected on account of the tide; flood tide will start at 10:30 a. m. and high water at 4:30 p. m., giving six hours for fine bathing.

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