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Contending that the Republican party had failed to keep its promise re important questo lower the tariff, he said that if that ed attention were: party had possessed the manhood to ements, wood pulp, state boldly that it intended to increase the tariff, "the places that know them to-day would have known was the vote on Senmendment reducing inevitable."

He dwelt at some length upon the motives of its members to still further he Indiana Senator "swell their already colossal fortunes and was enabled to and to take from the poor man the last vestige of hope and from their as quiet as possible that the jury had helpless families their means of susand 33 noes. Stating tenance.

Still, he was not without hopes, promises of the Republican party were nothing more than broken reeds and smoking flax. He continued:

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secret is made of provisions for repurpose?" asked the Senator from he stands charged, or not guilty?" they exhibit motion by Senator their mailed hand and cloven hoof in this transaction?" Answering his after

own question, Mr. Davis said: was rejected by "They are drunk upon power-upon 26 to 45. In contemporary glory—upon passing suc-They feel that these protected Davis made long industries, whose 'slush fund' and r attacking the Inter Company as A r speaking in gencentury, possess now such omnipotent of the protective power that their hold upon declared that the throats of the people cannot loosened, and their power to further

rob them cannot be destroyed." Declaring then that the tariff bill is irtually the product of Senator Aldproviding for the rich, and asserting that Mr. Aldrich had been elected to the Senate by a ntil 1912 of linen Legislature chosen by 11 per cent. achines: increasing of the votes of the small State of that the senatorial supporters of the deries; imposing a ent on engraved

slightly decreas-Indirectly. Mr. Davis Democrats who had declared their of the products of lack of allegiance to the Democratic inating the House platform, which, he said, he was willing to "swallow from 'eand to eand' and from 'kiver to kiver.' "

Mr. Aldrich.

Mr. Davis defended Mr. Bryan as the reputed author of the Democratic platform. Even though Mr. Bryan might not be President, Mr. Davis expressed the hope that he would never circumscribe the field of his sefulness, the field of his eternal greatness, by accepting a seat in the Senate of the United States."

"The field is too small," said Sen ator Davis. "His powers of usefulin made an effort in ness would be too circumscribed, and to get a reduction pitiable spectacle he would present cultural implements indeed, were he here to-day, bound and gagged, as are the helples mier trust sells cheapnorlty, to the autocratic will of the this country. In senior Scnator from Rhode Island." ch in advocacy of titles for the benefit

Petrified Human Form Found in Cave by Exploring Party.

Cordele, Ga., June 26 .- A perfectly preserved petrified human form, beleved to be the remains of an Indian, together with numerous skeletons and bones, were to-day discov ered by a local exploring party that ventured far into "Rockhouse" cave, eight miles southeast of this place. Romantic mystery, has always at-tached to this natural underground

cavity. The party that partially ineral hundred feet into a mysterious chain of passageways. In the limestone walls a gruesome sight presented by the protruding remains of scores of human beings. The petrified form weighed several hundred pounds and it was impossible for the

Exouerates Man Convicted of Murder Palatka, Fla., June 26,-When James Kelley and D. M. Davidson were to-day sentenced to life imprisonment for murder, Kelley said:

"I accept the verdict of the jury, but as for D. M. Davidson, he is as innocent of this crime as any man in the hearing of my voice. murder of W. C. Sellars, a

The men were convicted of the night vatchman of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad three years ago at High Springs, Fla. The three were in conversation together and there was doubt as to where the fatal shot came from.

idwards, of Vanceboro e 26.-J. F. Edwards Pittsburg, June 26 .- Three thous and men representing 85 per cent. of the working force of the Pittsburg Railway Company decided to-night to go on strike at 8 o'clock to-morrow (Sunday morning). This action followed a long confer-ence between the company officials and a union committee. Vanceboro, was dange of a revolver. He handling the weapon the hall entering the Physicians are unable bullet. His condition

Guilty" in the Case of State vs. W. S. Biggers, Indicted For the Mursaire of J. Green Hood—Verdict Exsaid a Charlotte man on the streets and a Charlotte was not himself,"

Charge and Brief History of Case. lect body chosen to pass upon the and slew his enemy, killing him on a merits of the case of State against W. crowded thoroughfare and in the S. Biggers, charged with the murder heart of the city. He was arrested; on the morning of Tuesday, February acquitted. The jury held that he was with the measure as a tax upon the 9. of J. Green Hood, reached a ver- insane at the time he killed his enepeople, as a discrimination in favor dict yesterday afternoon at 4:45 my, the man that had sought to deo'clock, their decision being that the is still insane. To-day he walks the crime as charged.

yesterday afternoon shortly after 5 welfare should be considered. them no longer forever, and they would have been a hiss and a byone long to be remembered. Troop- citizens of Charlotte that there will ing in review before the mind's eye be no repetition of the tragedy of of every spectator—and a great February 9."
throng was present in spite of efforts
THE OUTSTANDING OBLIGATION. of the court officials to keep the fact agred upon a verdict-were the scenes voices a deep sentiment that pervades followed its tragic enactment. It was the jury; that body, with the evibecause the American people were raining outside and the room was in dence before it and limited to the awakened to a realization that the semi-darkness; standing erect with his case in question, could hardly have one hand raised high was the tense done otherwise. But the obligation figure of the prisoner, face emaclated still rests upon those who have to do and features drawn, on the bench was "They are turning their faces in the judge who had directed the course" hopefulness and glad acclaim to the of the trial, and seated at tables before great middle West, where a small him were the attorneys who had batcloud has arisen, which is gathering tied manfully for 11 days. Clerk Russell had just called the roll of the

jury and all had responded. "Have you agreed upon a verdict?

sponding, "We have." scribed by law. "Our foreman," was the immediate

With this Mr. J. P. Flow, of Clear maining seated. Then came the climax Mr. Flow was to say save the other 11 sion in the matter but hardly thought in the box and every eye was centred upon his lips.

"Mr. Biggers, hold up your right to the people, depends much for the oner having stood up. "Gentlemen of the jury." continued he, "look upon is

and immediately the crowded court returned to the civil court room commenced to applaud. Judge where the deliberations were held at Councill rapped for order and re-1:45. proved those who were so foregtful of themselves and the court to express whose 'blood money' has kept them their sentiments in such open fashion. In power for the last quarter of a There was no necessity on the part of and 2 for conviction, one for first dethe ther for it was evident that the state- gree. When this result was ansign the necessary order and every-

thing was over. When the foreman announced the verdict of the jury, Mrs. Frank Berryhill and several of the sisters and relatives of the prisoner threw their arms signed the papers for the release of detailed. the prisoner and then the relatives of Court convened promptly Judge Councill himself was not address to the jury. It was the closforgotten nor were the attorneys ing speech of the trial and a great who had labored so and so successfully half of the accused. Mr. Biggers of the accused. was surrounded by his relatives and son's argument lasted almost three friends and escorted home. 15 minutes after the jury had march- the longest of the trial. That it was ed into the room, court was deserted, the great throng, which had followed ing and formed a telling conclusion of every step in the trial with acute interest, having left, and the ordinary routine of business was resumed. Mrs. Biggers was not in the court room when the verdict was announced nor were any of the four children. To an Observer man who asked him if he had anything to say about the verdict, Biggers shook his head, his eyes filling with tears, and remarked in a low ing home to my wife and children.

Mrs. Biggers has not been well the past several days. The strain has been too great for her and she is not wrong he was not excusable. strong. The several sisters and numerous relatives and friends were in and stress period of his life was not his home with his family.

OCCASIONED NO SURPRISE. The verdict was not unexpected. It was the belief of nine out of every filed in that the verdict would in favor of the accused. This was accounted for by reason of the fact that practically the entire audience was friendly to the defendant. Big-gers himself, when he lifted high his hand—his left, not his right as required by law-showed that he was confident of acquittal. The statement of the foreman of the jury did not seem to surprise him in the least. His features, already drawn and hag-gard, did not twitch when the vigorous round of applause came. Tears welled up in his eyes and his lips quivered when his sister, Mrs. Berry hill, threw her arms about his neck but he never gave any further signs of emotion save hearty handshakes all of those who congratulated

To the crowded court room the verdict gave immense and unqualified satisfaction but not so in like degree the public. While perhaps the great majority favored acquittal and would have been shocked to learn of convic-tion, there was a deep undercurrent of sentiment that all the ends of justice had not been met. So far as the

AY MORNING, JUNE 27, 1909.

to make conviction impossible broad measures of civic welconfident that W. S. Biggers killed Jury Agreed to a Verdict of "Not J, Green Hood in an insune passion

pected But Arouses Much Applause yesterday afternoon. 'He was not able From Friends of the Accused—The himself at the time and was not able Impressive Scene When the An- then to distinguish between right and nouncement Was Made—Jury First wrong. Green Hodd had doubtless Stood 10 For Acquittal, One For imposed on him, and Biggers, handi-First Degree Murder and One For capped as he was and with a family Second Degree Murder, Agreement dependent on him he loved as he lov-on Third Ballot—Judge Councill's ed his own life, he pondered upon the injustice done him until he The jury of twelve treemen, the se-ly he took matters in his own hand he was tried; and now he has been fraud him. No one will say that he defendant was "not guilty" of the street just as free as any other man Will he go insane in Charlotte. again?' you ask me. The scene in the hushed court room I do know, however, that the public o'clock when the jury filed in from not hold that Biggers should be sent the chamber across the corridor, to the penitentiary or anything like when presiding Judge Councill took that but I do believe that the genhis seat, and Clerk of Court J. A. Rus- eral safety should be looked after. then asked the jury their verdict was no other purpose than to assure the

This expression very accurately of the homicide and the events that the city. There is no fault found with with the safe-guarding of the public. While no statement has yet been given out officially as to what the attorneys for the State will do, it is likely that some steps will be taken to have a commission in lunacy appointed to investigate Biggers' present mental condition. If that body finds that he is perfectly and absolutely same and that the welfare of the public will Several of the jurymen nodded, re- not be jeopardized under any circumstances by reason of his presence at Who shall speak for you?" asked large in the community-for the killthe clerk, following the order as pre- ing of one man by another is in no wise excusable except to save one's own life-then well and good but

otherwise, otherwise. Asked last night as to whether he Creek, stood up, the other jurymen re- intended to take steps in this direction, Solicitor Heriot Clarkson stated of the whole trial. No one knew what that he had not reached any concluhe would.

Clarkson finished his Solicitor speech to the jury at 11:45 o'clock immediately after which Judge Coun-cill read his charge, it being agreed that the resume of the evidence which frequently submitted particularly "Why do the Republican leaders on the prisoner; what say you, is he guil- in sharply fought capital cases, be this floor no longer conceal their real ty of the felony and murder whereof dispensed with. After Judge Counminutes, the case THE VERDICT.

jury. This was at 12:20 o'clock. The "Not guilty," was Mr. Flow's reply, jury had dinner at the Buford and room

the clerk to interrogate the jury fur- gree murder and one for second dement of the foremtn was as agreed nounced an argument followed with upon. A few seconds later court was the result that 11 were for acquittal dismissed, Judge Councill delaying to and one for conviction, the change being effected in a very few minutes, All the batteries were then opened upon this one juryman to such good effect that at 4:45 o'clock, or three hours after the jury had retired for The consultation, all had agreed. word was then given out through Rhode Island, Mr. Davis, contended about his neck embracing him. The the boiled door and the judge and vigorous applause had hardly been the prisoner were both notified that quelled by the sharp command of the the jury was ready to report. The insheriff and his Jeputies at the instance cidents connected with the announceof the court when, Judge Councill ment of the verdict have already been

the defendant hastened over to the ju- o'clock. No sooner had Judge Counry box to thank the members of the cill rapped for order than Solicitor jury individually for their verdict. Heriot Clarkson arose to resume his manful-in be-namber being relatives and Solicitor Within hours and was in point a splendid effort goes without saythe case so far as the argument for the prosecution was concerned. After he finished, Judge Councill announced that he was ready to charge the jury there was nothing special desired by counsel for either side. Said Judge Councill:

JUDGE COUNCILL'S CHARGE Judge Councill, in his charge, after defining the various degrees of murvoice: "I am too tired now. I am go- der, explained the law very fully as I regarded insanity. He said the dewant to sleep. I am going to bed and fendant would have to be insane at the time of committing the act. He need not be insane on every subject, however. If he knew right from

"Now, gentlemen of the jury, with these general observations upon the the room and the man who had just law, as applied to persons who compassed through the sharpest storm mit an act criminal in its nature, and upon trial plead insanity as an excuse without sympathizers. For the first for its commission, as in the case at time since the evening prior to the the bar, we come to the consideration homicide, Biggers spent last night at of the defendant's plea in this case "The defendant admits that he kill-

ed J. G. Hood with a pistol by shooting him to death in the city of Charlotte on the 9th day of February. 1969, but says that at the time that he committed the act he was insane; did not appreciate that the act he committed was wrong, and asks you to so find in this case. The court has before this called to your attention the general test of responsibility which one owes to the law, as well as to the degree of mental incapacity that exampts him from criminal responsibility under the law. The court, therefore, charges you that if you are satisfied from the evidence in case that at the time the defendant, W. S. Biggers, shot and killed the deceased, J. G. Hood, that he was insame to the extent and degree of not knowing that his act in taking the life of J. G. Hood was wrong, then It becomes your duty to acquit him, even though you should find that upon many or all other subjects than that of killing J. G. Hood the defendant was rational and sane.

WHEN DUTY TO ACQUIT. "And the court further charges you that it matters not what may have caused the invanity of the defendant,

(Continued on Page Nine).

In a Letter to Rev. W. B. Oliver, of Florence, S. C., the Governor De-clares That the Work of Prohibition in This State is Beyond Even What the Prohibitionists Expected
—Not the Slightest Probability That
the Law Will Be Repealed—Two
Conditional Pardons Granted—Getting Ready For Farmers' Institute

-Veterinarians to Meet at

mington. Observer Bureau, The Holleman Building,

Raleigh, June 26. Governor Kitchin, in a letter to Rev. W. B. Oliver, of Florence, S. C., in response to inquiries upon the effect of prohibition in North Carois as sound and progressive as in any adjoining State. Prohibition has not demoralized labor. It is true that ome negroes and some white men, too, as for that, are violating the prohibition law, and our courts are constantly sending them to the roads for it. Considering the profits, the violations are not beyond what prohibi-

tionists expected. The law is supported by public sentiment and is a great benefit to the State, though, of course. there are many good citizens who opits efficacy and wisdom. It is, however, doubtless working as well and as satisfactorily in this State as in any here other. It has not worked corruption and evil, though some men have engaged in corruption and svil under it. It never made a good man a bad one. It is not true that drunkenness more common and prevalent than before prohibition. In my judgment there is not a county in the State that is spending as much money for or consuming as much whiskey per not the alightest probability that the next Legislature will repeal the I think the prohibition sentilaw. is sounder and stronger than

heretofore. Governor Kitchin conditionally parons Carter Whaley, convicted of adultery in Mitchell and sentenced to two years on the roads. He is an epileptic and totally unable to work. He has been in jail almost a year. The Governor also grants a condi-tional pardon to J. W. Morris, conin Buncombe of defrauding a victed boarding-house keeper and sentence 1 to four months on the roads. Morris having paid the board bill and costs and served two months.

Next Monday at the trial of Maude Kelley, the tenderloiner, before Police Justice Stronach, a lot of new evidence will be introduced, the city attorney states. There will be a large number of new witnesses in this now notorious case.

NEW THEATRE.

Raleigh is to have a new theatre to be on Fayetteville street. The front will be stores and offices and the theatre will be entered through an cill's charge, which lasted about 45 arcade. Work begins on it next

Arrangements have been completed for the greatest series of farmers' institutes ever held in North Carolina. Five parties will be in the field, and every county west of Lenoir will be covered. One party will go in a special train over the Southern Railway, another over the Seaboard Air Line. There will be a number of ladies looking after the institutes for women. A new feature will be illustrations of the rotations of crops and of the food value of the various food stuffs grown in the State. There will be pictures showing the best methods

of packing fruits and vegetables There is a strong movement for the belt line of railway along the eastern suburbs of the city and to-day offers were made of free rights-ofway along a god deal of the proposed

VETERINARIANS CONVENTION. The eighth annual convention of

the North Carolina Veterinary Medical Association will be held at Wilmington beginning July 2. morning session candidates for license will be examined by the State board. At the afternoon sessions there will be clinics at Dr. Carroll's hospital. Headquarters will the Seashore Hotel at Wrightsville.

To-day your correspondent was given a fig. weighing five and one-half ounces, grown here. There are two crops of figs, one in June and the other from August until frost. Your correspondent will be

glad to receive information regarding Flora McDonald, the Scotch woman who came here and lived in Cumberland and Anson coun-Two of her children are said to have been buried in Anson.

COL. J. C. HASKELL DEAD

Passes Away at His Home at Waverly. S. C., as a Result of a Paralytic Stroke a Few Weeks Ago-Had Been Prominent in the Affairs of His State.

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Columbia, S. C., June 26. Col. John Cheves Haskell died at his home in Waverly at 6 o'clock this morning, following a stroke of paralysis several days ago. The funeral will be held to-morrow afternoon from

Trinity church, interment in the church cemetery Colonel Haskell, a native of Abbeville county, was at one time prominent in the social, political and busi-ness affairs of his State, as had been many of his kin. He had a splendid Confederate war record. He was the

grandson of Langdon Cheves, a memthe Federal House of Representatives. Eastman bungalow is located, Haskell at the time of his death, be-Cheves, of Charleston; his brother. Capt. James Haskell, also of Charleston; his children, Mr. Preston Haskell,

a mining engineer of Mineral, Va.; Mr. Frank Haskell, of Macon, Ga., and Mrs. Annie Haskell Lindsay, his only daughter, of Charleston. Colonel Haskell's brother, A. C. Haskell, was at the head of what

was known as the Haskell independent movement in 1890, which bolted the convention nomination of Tillman for Governor, and was beaten by Tillman for Governor that year. Negro Anti-Saloon League Active. Birmingham, Ala., June 26 .- Dr. B.

F. Riley, white, to-day opened head-quarters in Birmingham as the gen-eral superintendent of the Southern Negro Anti-Saloon Federation. Ef-forts will be made to stop liquer drinking among negroes

RESULTS HIGHLY GRATIFYING. EASTMAN WAS WOMAN'S SLAYER. SMITH RETIRES FROM OFFICE

Skeins of Evidence Collected by the Authorities Tend to Show That Man Who surended in Posse's Presence Was the Murderer of Edith

May Woodill, and Not a Woman, as Eastman Tried to Make Believe in Letter Addressed to His Wife-Letter to Eastman's Wife is Made Public by the Officials-Gradually Light is Being Thrown Upon the Mysterious Murder of the Beautiful Woodill Woman

St. Michaels, Md., June 26 .- Telltale shafts of light continued to-day to filter in upon the tragedy of the tonely bungalow of Broad creek. As the tangled skeins of the story are picked up one by one they tend more lina, says: "Business in this State and more to dissipate the claim advanced by Robert Eastman that it was a woman, and not he, who killed Edith May Woodill.

To-day the jewels worn by the woman at the time of her disappearance were found in a pawnshop in from Brown would arrive in Atlanta Baltimore, placed there last Tuesday by a man who answered fully the description of Eastman. The man secured \$200 on the two diamond rings and an Oriental brooch. Two hundred dollars, which Mrs. Woodill had in her possession when she left her posed prohibition and who still doubt foster father's home last week is missing. Eastman repaid a loan last week of \$200 and when he returned from Baltimore on Tuesday night he seemed plentifully supplied with money. There promised for a time to-day

to be a fight for the legal custody of Eastman's body. A. S. Rosenthal, of New York, an attorney who represented Eastman when he was charged with grand larceny, and who stated for him the bail which he forfeited by flight, arrived upon the scene and capita as before prohibition. There acting for Mrs. Ida S. Restein, of New York, one of the sureties who lost heavily by the forfeiture of the bond demanded the custody of the body in whom a reward of \$1,500 had been offered. The local authorities declined to give up the body.

The letter of the suicide, in which he gave to his wife his version of the killing of Mrs. Woodill by a jealous woman, was made public today and deeply impressed many who read its circumstantial account of the tragedy, for which the writer claimed he was in no way responsible.

THE LETTER The letter follows:

"Vinnie: Take this money and go at once to McDaniel, Talbot county. Maryland, and claim my body and all my property. The property consists of 22 seres of land and a bungalow. There is also a motor boat. Have a sale and convert the whole thing in-Have to cash. I don't owe a cent excepting for the paint and pump, etc., which Shanahan & Wriston of Easton. will be glad to get back, as it is not broken; just as it was shipped.

"Little girl, I had no hand in the evidence after the other two couples I did this for self-preservation and am haunted. The victim was my particular friend and we were well mated. Have only known her three We all, that is, two men and weeks. two other women from Annapolis, went to the bungalow for a time. Every one got full excepting Edith and myself. Edith tried to win one of the girl's fellows while lying on the bed with him and was hit three times on the side of the head with a full bottle of champagne, and the fellow hit once. She fell over on the floor and died. The man did not come to for an hour. I was left with the corpse and cannot take a chance for a trial. Lafe to me is very bitter and I will pull down the shades and say good-bye. You can claim property and say as little as possible but get it. I am awfully sorry for you and our boy, and I have been hustling madly to make your path clear, but fate is against me.

Take Pennsylvania Railroad Easton, Md., and then change to B., C. & A. Don't neglect this. The property is valuable."

Foreman Radeliffe, of the coroner's jury, declared himself convinced of the truth of the strange missive and urged the authorities to further into the matter. With all his disclaimer of responsibility, however. Eastman admitted in the letter that he did not dare take the chance of tial and had decided to "draw the curtain forever.'

While others were as deeply pressed as the jury foreman, the searching investigations of the authorities fall to substantiate any of Eastman's claims. The witness, William Sutton, who

it was said last flight, had heard a party of men and vomen merry-making in the bungalow on Sunday night, declared to-day that it was late Saturday night and that he heard only the voices of one man and one wom an; that the voice of the woman was that of Mrs. Woodill,

When the cabin was searched following the discovery of the body places at the table were set for two. Eastman and the girl were heard to quarrel as they drove away from Royal Oak station Saturday afternoon, apparently over the girl's refusal to accompany Eastman to some place he desired to have her go.

Attorney Rosenthal, whose client Eastman was, declared to-night that Eastman had 'known the murdered girl prior to her marriage with Woodill, and said he believed Eastman had visited her in California after her D. Ashton Plummer saw a motor

boat, with two women and three men, ber of Congress from this State, who all stylishly dressed, making its way succeeded Henry Clay as Speaker of out of Broad creek, on which the There were present with Colonel Sunday morning following the murder. After making a trip to Oxford, sides his wife, his sister, Mrs. Langdon however, the boat and passengers re-There is nothing to indicate turned. that the launch came from anywhere in the immediate neighborhood of Eastman had been living more or

> less by his wits of late, and there are many now who believe that he borrowed considerable money from Mrs. Woodill. Being badly in need of money it is believed that the idea of pawning the jewelry came to him when he felt that flight might be necessary. This is the theory expressed by the Baltimore police, who found the two diamend rings and brooch in the pawn-broker's place. With With the exception of her wedding ving. which remains unaccounted for, these were the only articles of jeweiry worn by Mrs. Woodill when last seen. The fact that Eastman had gone to Baltimore Tuesday was known prior to the discovery of the pawned jewelry. It was that day that he mailed

ar case was concerned, there KITCHIN ON PROHIBITION SOME LIGHT ON MYSTERY JOE BROWN IS GOVERNOR

PRICE FIVE CENTS.

Amid Ceremonies of Jeffer plicity, Georgia's New Chief Execu-tive Takes Oath and Enters Upor His New Dutles-Crowd Gatl to Meet Trolley Upon Which it Was Expected That Brown Would Arrive in Atlanta But They Were Disappointed as the New Governor Came in on the Train and Strolled Leisurely to the State Capitol—Governor Smith Shoot Hands With New ernor Smith Shook Hands With New Executive But Did Not Congratulat

Atlanta, Ga., June 26 .- Joseph M. Brown, son of "Joe" Brown, one of Georgia's war-time Governors, took office to-day amid ceremonies of Jeffersonian simplicity.

Somewhat contrary to his wishes, a brass band was waiting this morning with enthusiastic admirers at the troiley line, where it was expected that from his home in Marietta, 25 miles away. Mr. Brown, however, came to Atlanta by train; the band played welcomes in vain; the crowds gathered at the State Capitol building where the ceremonies were to be held and buzzed expectantly, but no one seemed to know where "Joe" Brown was. Shortly before time inauguration, a group men was sighted four the near Capitol, strolling leieurely sky blazing with heat well above 90. One of these men was the Governorelect, clad in a light colored suft 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 ad-

As to how there happened to be four persons in the Governor-elect's party when he approached the Capitol, the following story is told:

Mr. Brown and his brother were order that he might make delivery nearing the Capitol alone and unobof it to the New York authorities, by served when an acquaintance of Mr. Brown spied him and rang out:

"Good morning." Mr. Brown replied in kind, introduced his brother, and asked: Where are you going over

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

"Well," replied the Governor-elect I've got an appointment at the Capiof myself this morning, and we'll all walk along together." A newspaper man at that moment

ompleted the quartette. Mr. Brown quickly passed into the apitol building and there in Governor's reception froom was met by Hoke Smith, the retiring Governor, his bitter political enemy. When Gover-nor Smith took office two years ago one of his first acts was to rem from office "Joe" Brown, then a State raftroad commissioners paign against Smith a year ago and his victory was a political sensation As the two faced to-day the retiring

"Good morning, Mr. Brown." Howdy, Governor," was the reply the incoming executive. Then they shook hands.

Governor Brown's address brief. At its conclusion Governor Smith handed Governor Brown the seal of the State of Georgia and the ceremony was complete. Governor Smith bowed as he handed over seal. He did not shake hands or offer any public congratulations to his successor. A reception in the Capital followed, and later Governoa Brown and his family took the train back to Marietta. Next week they will take up their residence in the Governor's nansion in this city.

Governor Smith's last to-day was the signing of 15 pardons Those set free included six murderers and three persons convicted of violating the prohibition laws.

SOUTHBOUND WILL BE BUILT.

Norfolk & Southern and Atlantic Coast Line Are Backing the Profe and Its Building is Assured. Special to The Observer.

Wadesboro, June 26 .- Information eached here to-day from an official source that agreements have been signed by the Atlantic Coast Line and the Norfolk & Western for the immediate building of the Southbound Railroad from Wadesboro to Winston-

This road will become part of the through line from the coal fields of West Virginia to Charleston. Local stockholders have been notified of a meeting of the directors of the Southbound to be held in Winston-Salein

Special to The Observer.

Winston-Salem, June 26,-The icial announcement to-day by the Atlantic Coast Line and Norfolk & Western that the Winston-Salam Southbound Railroad would be pushed to completion within the ne months is received with great satisfaction here. The movement for this through line from Chicago to Charles on, with the Twin City as a prominent junction point, was begun about three years ago, Col. F. H. Fries and Mr. Henry E. Fries, of this city, ing among the leaders in the enter prise. Henry E. Fries is now president. There has never been doubt as to the consummation of the project, but the news that ade financial arrangements have completed to construct the road at once puts the enterprise on a m tangible and certain basis.

C. H. Hix Appointed General Manager Scaboard Air Line. Baltimore, June 26 .- C. H. Hix has

been appointed general manager, and C. R. Capps, freight traffic manager quarters in Portsmouth, Va. important changes in the organizaas announced to-day officially follow the recent resignations of W A. Garrett, chief executive officer for the receivers, and L. Sevier, vice president, both of these positions having been abolished.

the letter written some time previo ly by Mrs. Woodlil to her foster-sis ter. It is shought that the lette which was intended to convey the in pression that the writer was in timore, was penned by Mrs. Woodle either to mask her visit to the bunsa low or eise she had written the with the idea actually of so Baltimore after meeting Easts