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THE NEW GOVERNOR.

An Imposing Ceremony in the State House at Columbia.

HEYWOOD IS CHIEF MAGISTRATE

The Inaugural Ceremony Was Simplicity Itself, But the Crowd Was Large and the Enthusiasm Great.

Wednesday Governor D. C. Heywood, of Colleton County, was inaugurated into the high office to which the people called him last summer. There was no ostentation or great display—there was not even a band of music, as is quite common on such occasions. It was a thoroughly Democratic inauguration by a Democratic people in a Democratic manner. And after all it is not so much the manner as it is the man in the inauguration. The oath of office was administered to Duncan Clinch Heyward, a man of refinement, a man of honor, of uprightness of character, in a word a gentleman.

THE GOVERNOR'S ARRIVAL.
At half-past 12 o'clock Governor-elect Heyward, accompanied by his family and his brother, Walter Izard Heyward, with Col. Walter H. Hunt and J. J. Gentry, arrived at the State House. They were met by the special committees from the House and the Senate and escorted to the Governor's office. Here they were received by Governor and Mrs. McSweeney and Secretary Aull, with Mrs. Aull. After a pleasant meeting lasting about ten minutes the ladies were escorted to the hall of the House of Representatives, where the inaugural ceremonies were to take place. The room overflowed, standing room only on the floor and galleries, with entrances and all available space outside crowded also. Seats had been reserved through the courtesy of several delegations for the families of both Governors immediately in front of the Speaker's desk, on both sides of the center aisle. Mrs. D. C. Heyward was escorted by Mr. Walter Izard Heyward, Mrs. McSweeney by Mr. J. E. Normant, Mrs. Aull by Secretary Aull, followed by Misses Katharine and May Heyward, Mr. and Mrs. Haskell, Miss Johnson and Masters D. C. Heyward, Jr., and Alexander Heyward.

Mrs. Heyward and Mrs. McSweeney, both charming types of the women of South Carolina, occupied together the two front seats on the main aisle and were interested in the entire proceeding, in which their husbands took such a conspicuous part.

AN IMPRESSIVE AUDIENCE.
The handsome hall was filled with an imposing gathering of the people of Columbia and the State. It was thought by many friends of Governor Heyward that the crowd might be small to the uncertainty regarding the date and hour of the ceremonies. The weather, too, was most unfavorable, until the very last moments, but these things did not seem to interfere with the attendance. Columbia, of course, contributed a large share of the crowd present, but many well-known faces were seen from all sections of the State. The crowd was a genuinely interested as well as a representative gathering. The members of the Senate were obliged to remain standing. When these dignitaries marched in to take part in the ceremonies all available space had been occupied for some time, many people coming more than an hour ahead of time in order to secure places during the inaugural.

THE INAUGURAL PARTY arrived in the hall punctually and in the following order:

The Governor-elect, D. C. Heyward, with Senator H. W. Brown.
Governor M. E. McSweeney, with Representative J. R. Coggeshall.
Lieutenant Governor-elect John T. Sloan, with Senator J. E. Peurifoy.
Chief Justice Y. J. Pope, with Representative W. L. Mauldin.
Associate Justice Ira B. Jones, with Representative E. H. Aull.
Associate Justice Eugene B. Gary, with Secretary of State M. R. Cooper.
The Hon. Jesse T. Gantt, with the Hon. R. H. Jennings.
The Hon. U. X. Gunter, with the Hon. G. D. Fleming.
The Hon. A. W. Jones, with the Hon. J. P. Derham.
Gen. John D. Frost, with Gen. J. W. Floyd.
The Hon. O. B. Martin, with the Hon. J. J. McMahan.

THE INAUGURAL CEREMONIES.
Upon arriving at the Speaker's stand President of the Senate John C. Sheppard announced the presence of the Governor-elect and his party and that the Governor-elect was ready to be sworn into office. With this statement Governor Heyward and Chief Justice Pope stepped forward—one from the side of President Sheppard and the other from the side of Speaker Smith. Chief Justice Pope repeated the prescribed oath of office which Governor Heyward repeated, and at the conclusion Justice Pope declared that the oath of office had been taken. Several in the party congratulated Governor Heyward while he was arranging to begin his inaugural address. When he began to speak there was a hush all over the hall. His address, which is published in full elsewhere, was received with evident appreciation.

At the conclusion of the address there was much applause. Then Governor Heyward stepped aside and President Sheppard announced that the Lieutenant Governor was present and ready to be sworn into office. This was done by Chief Justice Pope

whereupon Lieutenant Governor John T. Sloan took charge of the joint assembly and announced that the purposes of the assembly having been concluded it was dissolved and the Senators would return to their chambers.

A few moments after the ceremonies, when the grave signers had returned to the Senate chamber, Speaker Smith's gavel fell, adjourning the House. The new State officers were warmly congratulated, no sincere greetings being given than were those coming from the officers whose former places were now vacated.

A POPULAR GOVERNOR.
Governor Heyward carried to his new office a splendid bouquet of plaudits, some pink satin ribbon, presented by some young ladies. He was accompanied by throngs of friends, who were enthusiastically shaking his hands and extending good wishes. Especially gratifying to him must have been the large number of ladies and gentlemen who were present from Wetherboro, his native town, and from Colleton, whose magnificent vote for this popular son, was a record-breaker. Governor Heyward received many congratulatory telegrams, and special delivery letters also, immediately before and after the inauguration. The contents of these highly appreciated marks of interested friendship were out of the usual order, sincere and earnest in the cordial expression of the hope that his administration may be all that his friends so fervently desire.

THE GOVERNOR'S RECEPTION.
The entire gubernatorial party, with official escorts, repaired to the office of the Governor, where an impromptu reception was held. The ladies also being present. Many well known politicians and ex-politicians took occasion to pay their respects, and the flow of visitors kept up for some time. The newly elected State officers and their wives were prominent among these visitors. Among the numerous congratulations showered upon Governor Heyward were many sincere expressions of genuine appreciation given to former Governor McSweeney for his faithful, businesslike administration.

The first official act of Governor Heyward was to sign the commission of Secretary of State Jesse T. Gantt, Mr. Gentry's commission was signed by the retiring Secretary of State, Mr. M. R. Cooper. Mr. Gantt then issued the commissions to the other State officers, all of whom took charge of their offices to-day.

Tail End Collision.
There were many more injured as a result of a tail end collision that occurred on the Great Northern five miles west of Chiswick, Washington. An extra from Skyleshomish loaded with lumber from the State, containing laborers, ran into a rotary snow plow killing and injuring all of twenty-five workmen. Ten cars are piled up in a heap with nine victims of the wreck still underneath. Only two escaped and they were thrown bodily into the air, landing thirty feet away upon the embankment. The men were in their banks asleep when the accident occurred.

A Stricken City.
The official bulletin from Mazatlan, Mexico, covering the twenty-four hours ending at 6 P. M. Friday, gives the number of deaths from the plague as two in the city and three in the hospital. There were eight new cases during the period and seven patients were reported to be in a dying condition. The streams of emigration from the stricken city continues and everyone who has the means and can get permission from the health authorities is leaving. Only a few families of means remain and these are preparing to leave.

Were Remarried.
Lieut. Frederick W. Greenleaf, who was in charge of the United States branch of the by drogaphic office at Savannah, Ga., died Wednesday morning. Mr. Greenleaf has been in the service for many years. He was prominently known in Augusta, Ga., where he and his wife had spent several seasons. Mr. Greenleaf was divorced from his wife while in Augusta, but a few days ago, upon learning that death was near, they were married here in the city hospital.

A Queer Case.
Mrs. Kartoma Litama, a married woman who lives with her husband and children at Batesburg, Wednesday evening shot and killed Santo Marzis, who entered her home and assaulted her. Mrs. Litama is a beautiful woman 40 years of age. Before she came to this country she met Marzis, who fell in love with her. She came to this country with her husband. Marzis followed, and kept up his suit. The woman still refused his advances until the affair culminated in a tragedy.

Will Mark Graves.
At Washington the Senate committee on military affairs Thursday ordered a favorable report on the bill introduced by Senator Foraker appropriating from the National treasury for the erection of headstones to mark the graves of Confederate soldiers buried in the North. The amount to be used for this purpose was placed at \$200,000, at the suggestion of Secretary Root.

A Mysterious Affair.
Two fissures in the earth about three feet deep and a few inches wide running for the distance of a quarter of a mile, are the only evidence of a mysterious explosion which shook Whitman, Mass., just before daylight Thursday morning. The houses rocked and several were destroyed.

A STRONG PAPER.

Governor Heyward's Inaugural Delivered to the Legislature.

A PLAIN, PRACTICAL ADDRESS.

Full of Common Sense, and Consequence of Sound Statesmanship, Concerning Public Matters.

The following is the full text of Gov. Heyward's inaugural address:

Members of the General Assembly and my Fellow Citizens:

Under our form of Government, the voice of the people is supreme, and we have met together to-day to carry out the wishes of the people of this State, as expressed at the recent election.

In the providence of God, it has fallen to my lot to be called from the quiet walks of life to assume in this manner and in this presence the high and honorable office of Governor of South Carolina. In doing so I am almost overwhelmed by a sense of the great responsibilities which I have now assumed; but even beyond this is my sense of gratitude for the great honor done me by the people of my State. I am mindful of the fact that the truly great gifts of life ever involve the most solemn responsibilities, and when they come as the expression of the manhood of a Commonwealth, involving the selection of a Chief Magistrate—a people whose heritage is as proud as that of any people upon this earth—whose history is a glorious record of patriotism, virtue and achievement—whom, indeed, may be upon whom this honor falls stand silent in contemplation of the sacred responsibilities which his people have placed upon him. The honor you have bestowed upon me is such as would fill the heart of any man with the deepest gratitude—a gratitude that should call forth the most sacred loyalty of a South Carolinian to South Carolinians.

To meet these responsibilities, to execute the various and onerous duties of my office—to give my thoughts and my every endeavor to the service of my State—I feel indeed to be a poor recompense to my people for the trust and confidence they place in me. I beg, my countrymen, that you will allow my feelings on this occasion to speak to you of a heart filled with love for South Carolina and for South Carolinians—let them speak to you, for me, of a devotion to the welfare of our State, which with your continued trust and help, will endure all things to achieve this end; let them speak to you of a determination to know no higher ambition than to labor for the best interests of all the people of South Carolina.

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THE NEGRO PROBLEM.
Political conditions in our State are such that we can look to the future with every degree of confidence and encouragement. Racial problems, which have sorely beset and hindered us in the past, have during the last decade reached such solutions as will go far towards advancing the interests of both races. Our white citizens—as they should be—in undisputed possession of every department of our State, county and municipal government. While this naturally gives us ground for rejoicing, it should at the same time make us deeply sensible of the fact that it is incumbent upon us to enact and to administer laws when enacted that the humblest citizens—be they white or black—can look to these laws for the protection of their liberty and property. It is only by acting in this spirit, and under the Divine guidance of Him who holds us all, State and Nation, in the hollow of His hand, that the great problem which confronts the people of the South, and especially the people of South Carolina, can be rightly and finally solved.

Gradually the colored man is awakening to the fact that the white man of the South whose land he occupies, from whom in various ways he derives his entire livelihood, is at last his best and truest friend, and instead of seeking to attain political office, he is now devoting himself to those occupations for which by nature he is most fitted, and in the pursuit of which alone he can advance his own material interests, and in so doing the best interests of his State.

MUCH DONE, MORE TO BE DONE.
In connection with this political condition it is fully significant and quite as gratifying to add that our industrial conditions were never so satisfactory as they are to-day. In agriculture and especially in manufactures, South Carolina has taken such strides that the attention of the outside world is upon us. While we can congratulate ourselves upon this—however, remembering that there is still so much to be done—we cannot afford to rest here. South Carolina, through one of its original thirteen States, has fully one-half of its great resources yet undeveloped.

No one doubts the truth of the statement that the general prosperity of a State is dependent primarily upon its farming interests, which establishes the fact that a government should, in every way possible, foster and protect this greatest of all industries. The steady, persistent work of the farmer is not blazoned forth to the world in meaningless flattery, but the result of this faithful labor most forcibly gives its own speech to the universe. The total value of the cotton crop alone tells of a mighty business interest—

one of the greatest in the world. The tobacco crop of South Carolina, financially considered, means now many millions of pounds and some millions of dollars. The great aggregate value of all of our aid crops, as shown by this source alone, and, my countrymen, greatest of all, here is the home—the countless homes—thousands and thousands of which are scattered over our fertile fields. These home-builders and home-sustainers, each in his own quiet way, are sending forth to the world influences that are to be seed for the sower and bread for the eater for ages to come, even as they have been through past years of faithful toil. I am glad to notice that scientific aid to the farmer now commands the attention of our National Government. We of South Carolina should also be glad to see that our countrymen, greatest of all, here is the home—the countless homes—thousands and thousands of which are scattered over our fertile fields. 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