

BLEASE URGES INVESTIGATION.

Urges General Assembly to Order Inquiry into Dispensary Affairs.

(News and Courier.)
Columbia, Jan. 24.—Cole L. Blease, Governor of South Carolina, to-day called upon the General Assembly to order an investigation of the matters growing out of the old State dispensary. The Attorney General, the members of the winding-up commission, Col. T. B. Felder, of Atlanta, and others connected with dispensary history, were brought within the range of fire by the message transmitted to the General Assembly to-day.

The Message.

To the General Assembly: Just after my nomination for Governor I noticed in the papers (and as I have noticed no correction I take it to be true) that the commission for winding up the affairs of the State dispensary had a meeting, at which I was freely discussed, and expressed fears as to themselves when I became Governor. If they had done no wrong I see no reason why they should fear any harm from me. If they are guilty of wrong-doing, it is up to you to investigate them.

I would like for you to investigate them fully and find out for the people of South Carolina what did become of the large amount of alcohol that was on hand at the time this committee took charge; to whom it was sold, at what price, and what was the regular price at that time, so as to see if the State was not a heavy loser in that transaction. Also, what salary, or how much fees, each member of that commission has received since he has served on the board, and how much per diem they have received for their services on the Sabbath day, particularly the chairman, and if he rendered any services on that day; if car fares, railroad fares and other expenses have been charged against the State which were not incurred by the member receiving payment therefor.

Other Lines Suggested.

Also how much actual cash has been turned over to the State Treasurer; how much has been paid out and how much is left as profit to the taxpayers. What criminal cases have been compromised, and what were the conditions of the compromise? Has the Attorney General received any money, and if so, by whom was it paid, and for what? Why the commission kept the Clarke lot of whiskey after Governor Ansel had dismissed the former members of the board of control for buying this same whiskey? Did Clarke rebate the present commission? If so, where is the rebate money? How much more than \$5,000 did Farnum pay, and where is it? What were the conditions of the Goodman compromise? What were the conditions of the Fleischmann compromise? If money was paid in these transactions, where is it? What was the agreement had with Ex-Governor John Gary Evans and Ex-State Chairman H. H. Evans for information given by them at conference held in Atlanta between these gentlemen, Attorney General Lyon and Attorney Felder? Why were other members of the various boards of control not indicted? What became of the report of the detectives to the committee of certain members of the House and Senate, and why was this report not made public? What were Felder's fees, and why was he not prosecuted when it was known that he was attorney for a liquor house and was favored with purchases from dispensary boards and rebates were paid for these purchases? What criminal prosecutions have been brought, who has been convicted and what has it cost the State?

Wants Thorough Inquiry.

A thorough investigation of this entire matter, gentlemen, will give a great deal of satisfaction to your constituents. There are those who believe that the State has lost more through winding-up commissions than it has ever lost through the State dispensary system. Whether this be true or not, it is not for me to say. I hold my belief as to the corruption, but the people of South Carolina are entitled to the fullest and freest investigation on your part, before the report of these gentlemen is received and they are discharged as public officials.

South Carolina is paying bonds to-day for debts made by sealawags and carpet-baggers, for things which her citizenship never received the benefit therefor. Under her democratic government she bought whiskey at a price and sold it, made a profit on it and now repudiates the debt made by her sons, white men and Democrats. If she can repudiate this indebtedness with impunity and without a scar upon her honor, why could she not repudiate the debt of thieves and scoundrels who were not her own people?

I repeat, gentlemen, laying aside political feeling, laying aside personal feelings and animosity, and as true citizens as you are, who love your State, love her past traditions

and are proud of her future prospects, should thoroughly investigate this entire matter, clear up suspicion against those who are innocent and prosecute those who are guilty, whether they be members of past boards or present.

Very respectfully,

Cole L. Blease, Governor.

Discussed Possible Attitude.

With reference to the first statement of Governor Blease as to the work in the commission, it may be recalled by readers of the News and Courier that this story appeared in the News and Courier with reference to the attitude of the commissioners to Mr. Blease. The article appeared exclusively in the News and Courier and the information was obtained from a member of the commission. It was simply stated that the possibility of Mr. Blease's attitude toward the commission was discussed, and other matters were pointed out in the report sent by the News and Courier correspondent. This appeared, as stated by Mr. Blease, just after he was nominated for Governor. However, it appeared only in the News and Courier, unless it was copied in some of the county papers.

Attorney General Lyon's attitude in the matter is to welcome an investigation.

In both branches of the General Assembly the message was received as information and ordered printed in the journal.

House for Investigation.

Columbia, Jan. 24.—At the night session of the House, which lasted only a few minutes, Arthur Kibler introduced a concurrent resolution providing for the investigation of the winding-up commission as suggested by Governor Blease in his special message. The concurrent resolution, as adopted, reads:

"Be it resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, That the Speaker of the House of Representatives appoint three members of the House and the President of the Senate appoint three members of the Senate, to inquire into all of the matters and things referred to in the Governor's message of the 24th instant, relating to the investigation of the dispensary by the legislative commission appointed in the years 1905, 1906 and 1907, and as to the acts and doings of the State dispensary commission, and also why the Attorney General has not made certain prosecutions.

"Section 2. That the said committee shall have power to summon witnesses and to require the production of books, papers and documents.

"Section 3. That the committee herein provided for be permitted to sit during the session of the House and Senate and shall report before the adjournment of the present session."

Felder's Partner Issues Statement.

Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 25.—Gen. Clifford L. Anderson, law partner of Thomas B. Felder, in the latter's absence from Atlanta, to-day made a statement in reference to the Associated Press dispatch, from Columbia, in which Governor Blease is quoted as inquiring "why Felder was not prosecuted when it was found that he was the attorney for a liquor house which was favored with liquor purchases and rebates were paid for these purchases."

The statement was as follows:

"Since the Goodman and Fleischmann compromise referred to were also made under the advice and through the instrumentality of Mr. Felder, I assume that the Governor's reference to these matters, and demand that they be inquired into, is likewise an attempt to reflect upon Mr. Felder.

"Throughout the entire course of the investigation of the South Carolina State dispensary, and the disposition of the matters connected therewith by the winding-up commission, I have been closely associated with Mr. Felder, and am familiar with all the facts.

"Mr. Felder is out of the city, and in his behalf I desire to say that the charges and insinuations contained in the Governor's message, which refer to Mr. Felder, are absolutely untrue and without foundation in fact.

"If Governor Blease has been informed by any persons that there are existing facts giving foundation to these charges, he has been willfully misled by designing persons, who probably have felt the weight of law, growing out of their own transactions with the State dispensary, and seek this method of revenge."

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AFTER PROMINENT MEN.

Beginning of Proceedings in Famous Seminole Securities Company.

Columbia, Jan. 26.—Gen. Willie Jones, president of the Palmetto National Bank, and Washington A. Clark, president of the Carolina National Bank, were served with papers this afternoon by Sheriff Coleman, of Richland county, who acted on authority of a warrant issued by Magistrate Jordan, of Kershaw. The warrant alleges that Mr. Jones and Mr. Clark, together with John Y. Garlington, as officers of the Seminole Securities Company, obtained from L. L. Clyburn a note to the amount of \$1,500 for stock in the Seminole Securities Company. Mr. Clyburn alleges that there was misrepresentation by the above named parties.

The warrant was served on Mr. Jones and Mr. Clark at their respective offices this afternoon. Bond in the sum of \$1,000 was furnished by each.

Both Gen. Jones and Mr. Clark are well known in South Carolina and are men prominent in the affairs of Columbia. It has been rumored for some time that proceedings would be instituted against them. The other defendant, John Y. Garlington, is not in the State.

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FOR 1911 CORN CONTEST.

Boys, Attend Meeting at Court House, February 4.

In order that the boys of Oconee county may have a fair show in the State contest for corn club prizes the coming year, it is deemed advisable to begin making preparations at once. For this purpose a mass meeting of all boys interested is called to meet at the Court House on Saturday, February 4th, at 11 a. m.

The work of the Oconee boys in the last contest shows up very creditably, and it is earnestly hoped that a greater number may enter the contest this year and make it all the more interesting.

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Poison in Bottle of Wine.

Chester, Jan. 26.—A dastardly attempt was made a few days ago to poison G. G. Freeland, a well known furniture merchant. A bottle of poisoned wine was sent Mr. Freeland through the mails, accompanied by a badly spelled letter, telling him that the wine was a very fine home-made article and the donor hoped to see him in a few days. Mr. Freeland was suspicious of the stuff, however, and instead of using it he turned it over to a local physician for analysis. This physician sent the bottle to Charleston, and the analysis has not yet arrived. From tests made here, however, it seems that the wine is filled with highly combustible ingredients that are no doubt very poisonous. Officers are at work on the case, and doubtless there will be some developments in a few days.

Meeting Greenfield Union.

It is desired that the members of Greenfield Local Union, and any others who wish to join with us, meet on the first Saturday in February at Union school house at 2 o'clock in the afternoon. We have business of importance to transact.

H. L. Verner, President.
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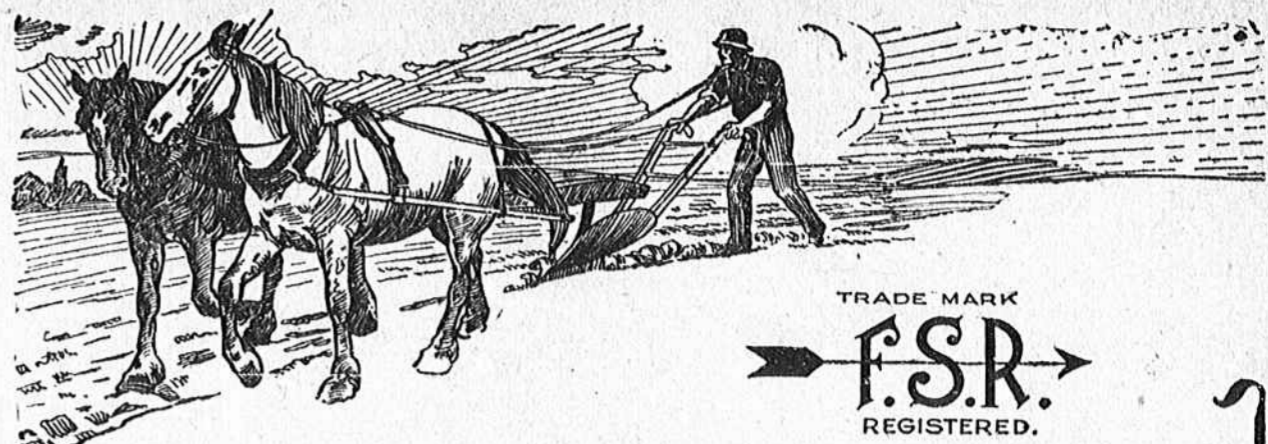
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DAVID GRAHAM PHILLIPS DEAD.

Author's Wounds Prove Fatal, and Death Came Night of 24th.

New York, Jan. 24.—David Graham Phillips has lost his brave fight for life. He died in Bellevue Hospital late to-night, a victim of Fitzhugh C. Goldsborough, an eccentric and emotional musician, who, although of refined taste and aristocratic Southern stock, shot the novelist down yesterday for a fancied grudge, then killed himself. Phillips fought valiantly to live, but six bullet holes were too much even for his grit and sturdy constitution, and, at 11 o'clock came and passed, he died.

He was conscious up to within a quarter of an hour of his death. At the bedside were his sister, Caroline Feervert; his brother, Harrison W. Phillips; his personal physician, Dr. Eugene Fuller, and Dr. Donovan, of Bellevue. The immediate cause of death was hemorrhage of the right lung, which had been pierced by one steel clad bullet from Goldsborough's automatic revolver.

Up to 9 o'clock the novelist was resting quietly and both physicians and relatives were hopeful of the outcome. He had been conscious all day and had received visitors, among them his sister, his brother, United States Senator Beveridge, of Indiana, and several writers of note. Their visits were extremely brief, but all who came away appeared optimistic. About 9 o'clock the patient took a turn for the worse, and, although the surgeons did everything in their power, the end was inevitable.

Goldsborough's motive for his deed is as much as ever a mystery, but it is generally thought that he took exception to something in one of Mr. Phillips's novels.

In a diary Goldsborough bitterly resents what he styles Phillips's ungallant picture of the American woman, as drawn in some of his writings. If these pages prove to be genuine, it would seem that the young musician resented not what he considered an attack on his family, but rather sought to vindicate American women as a whole. At any rate, the obsession grew until he shot the man he hated, and sacrificed his own life.

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Tennessee Sued by Arkansas.

Memphis, Tenn., Jan. 28.—Caruthers Ewing, of Memphis, announced that, acting as solicitor for the attorney general of Arkansas, he has filed suit in the United States Supreme Court against the State of Tennessee, involving the right of jurisdiction over 12,000 acres of land, the purpose primarily being to have the boundary line between the two States definitely established.

TRIAL IN SCHENK CASE.

After Long Deliberation Jury Discharged—One for Conviction.

Wheeling, W. Va., Jan. 26.—After struggling for more than 24 hours with a mass of technical and sensational testimony, the jury in the case of Mrs. Laura Farnsworth Schenk, charged with poisoning her husband, John O. Schenk, announced late today that they were hopelessly divided and could not reach a verdict. Judge L. S. Jordan importuned them to further efforts, but at 5.04 p. m. discharged them from the case.

To-night Mrs. Schenk is again in jail, despite her hopes that she would be a free woman upon the verdict of the jury.

The final vote taken by the jury after the long session stood 11 for acquittal and one for conviction. On the first ballot taken within five minutes after the jury retired Wednesday evening eight voted for acquittal, three for conviction and one refused to vote.

When the jury was brought into court at 5 o'clock, the members were polled separately, each giving as his opinion that a verdict could not be reached, and they were discharged.

Prospect is Wide.

The failure to arrive at an agreement opens up a world of possibilities. While a new trial will be necessary, the task of selecting a jury will be most difficult. Virtually all the evidence has been brought out and there are few who have not formed an opinion.

There was a rumor to-night that charges of bribery and attempted bribery had been made by members of the jury following their discharge, but several of the jurors later denied the rumors emphatically.

Mrs. Schenk was remanded to jail following the disagreement. The amount of the bond required to secure her liberty pending a second trial has not been determined upon.

Milton D. Moore, of Greenville county, has been appointed a scientific assistant in the United States department of agriculture.

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DENIES BEING AT CONFERENCE.

John Gary Evans Incensed at Message of Governor Blease.

Spartanburg, Jan. 27.—John Gary Evans, former Governor of South Carolina, returned this afternoon from Columbia, where he went to demand an explanation of the implied charges made against him by Governor Blease in the latter's message to the Legislature regarding the commission of winding-up the State dispensary. He said that upon learning that the Legislature would investigate the charges he made no effort to communicate with the Governor. Mr. Evans entered a general denial of the insinuations in the following statement:

"As soon as I saw the matter in the Herald I immediately went to Columbia. I found that the Legislature had appointed a committee to make an immediate investigation of the allegations in the Governor's message. It will be reported at the present session.

"I do not care to make any detailed statement until that committee meets, when the Governor will be called upon to present his information.

"I will state, however, that so far as I am concerned the connection of my name with the matter is without any foundation of fact or circumstance.

"I have not seen one of those whose name is mentioned in connection with mine in four years until a week ago in Columbia."

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