## GOVERNOR CHAMBERLAIN.

#### A Plain Talk with Him on the Aspect of Public Affairs.

A representative of the News and Courier had a long conversation with Governor Chamberlain a few days ago at his office in Columbia. The conversation extended over all the recent topics of public interest in our State, and was so full and explicit as to lead to the request that we might present to our readers such parts of it as would, in our judgment, be of interest to the public.

The conversation opened with a refer-ence to the recent absence of the Governor from the State and the unfavorable comments, in some quarters, upon that absence.

Governor Chamberlain said that he went North on the 25th of June, primarily to meet his engagement before the Yale Law School, and next with a view to find rest from the uninterrupted strain of official cares and labors which he had borne since last December. He staid away, he said, no longer than was abso-lutely essential to his health.

After some further conversation of a general nature, our representative remarked that among the events occurring during the Governor's absence was the sing the subject with Mr. Solomon and the friends of the bank, I invariably said trial of Ex-Treasurer Parker, and the testimony of Ladd that, in a conversation between Ladd and Parker, the latter had that I did not discredit the bank, but I did insist that its capital and standing said that he understood that a part of the did not warraut its having more than a coupons (\$50,000) were set aside or appart of the State deposits, say \$200,000, portioned to the Governor. The Govand that I was willing, in view of the strong sentiments of the friends of the bank, to allow this amount of deposit to ernor was asked if he proposed to make any public statement denying the truth of this testimony. He replied with much remain in this bank longer than the dewarmth of manner and tone that he would never volunteer a denial of such a posits in other banks, as the money was drawn out for public use, but that the rest ought to be distributed among other charge; that self-respect required him to wait till such a charge was put in a form which would enable him to meet it. banks. This course was adopted, and

my action was aimed at keeping the de-It was suggested to the Governor that, if he was unwilling to appear as a volunteer in denial of such matters, he might answer such questions as should be asked I believe, vary greatly during the winter from that amount. In the month of him. To this he assented, and said : "Certainly, I will answer questions to any extent; but I will not appear before the public with a personal statement till somebody brings a direct charge against me." He added: "I shall answer any board of deposit, informing the other members that I wished it determined how large an amount of deposits and for how long should be placed in the differquestion you may ask with pleasure." THE GOVERNOR AND THE COUPON

#### FRAUDS.

wards this bank and my reasons, and that I especially wished his advice in The Governor was then asked if he recalled the testimony of Ladd, in which allusion was made to himself. He resettling the question then pending. The amount of deposits in the Bank and Trust plied that he did, and our representative Company (the Solomon Bank) was then then said: "Well, sir, is there any truth in the statement or inference that you reduced below the usual figures. The received any part of the coupons referred board voted to fix the amount in that bank at \$200,000, and to allow it to reto in Parker's case?"

Governor. "None whatever; it is a baseless falsehood, by whomsoever con-cocted, or repeated, or insuated. It has main until needed for the July payments. This action was in accordance with all my previous action, and was based upon not the slightest shadow or fact to rest the same reasons and considerations. Nothing had occurred in the meantime upon."

Question. "Did you ever know of any division of coupons among any persons, snch as was indicated in Parker's trial?" community was then, I venture to assert, Governor. "Never, sir. I never heard as high as ever. No change took place of such a thing, or of any transaction re-motely resembling it, till the public heard it on the trial of Parker." Question. "Did you ever hear that in the affairs of the bank, to my knowledge, from this time till its failure. I

did perceive, late in June, that Mr. Solo mon seemed embarrassed in raising the amount which he was notified would be any coupons were set aside for you, or did you ever receive or hear that you needed on July 1, but he gave no sign that it was more than a temporary em-

were to receive any copons or anything else as a part of a division of coupons?" Governor. "Never. But you need not multiply questions. I say to you that the statement to which you allude is blas is more than a temporary em-barrassment, and I left the State with no idea of his suspension or failure. I cer-tainly sought to do my full duty by the State in this matter, and that, too, at State in this matter, and that, too, at great political expense to myself, as was false in every actual or conceivable phase, well known by all who were in Columbia last winter. I was not all-wise or all-powerful. I did not foresee all that has come to pass. If others were wiser than degree, sense or meaning. I not only never had any part or lot in, or knowl-edge of, such a transaction, but I never in any way or owned, held or was in any I, I have no need to quarrel with them. I did all that I thought was my duty, and manner interested in any coupons or anything connected with coupons, and I never even owned or held a consolida-

State Government. Of its causes, he from this view, and I met the ablest and was not yet fully informed, nor what best men of both parties. Their only would be the probable amount realized from its assets. Referring to the State deposits in this bank at the time of its we had begun, and press forward to a failure, the Governor said that if he had practical union of all good citizens of all bad government and restore honesty and should have tried to reduce the amount of the State deposits, but he now believed ability to public stations. If we can do that any effort to draw out the State dethis, we shall have the sympathy of all good men, Republicans and Democrats, posits at an earlier day would simply have hastened the failure of the bank. all over the Union." In regard to his own action, he said : "When I became Governor, one of the

The Governor's attention was called to first and most unpleasant duties imposed the tax bill passed last session and not yet approved, and the question was asked upon me was that of providing other de-positories than this bank for the public if his views had undergone any change in regard to it. He replied that his moneys. Mr. Solomon's bank had been the sole depository during the whole term of Governor Moses' administration and views of that bill had not changed, that there were features of it which he could I think during the last term of Governor Scott's, and had had deposits amounting at times to one million of dollars. Still

not conscientiously approve under any circumstances. He said that the failure of the Bank and Trust Company would I felt that such a course was not safe. make it necessary to modify the bill, and Mr. Cardozo heartily sustained me, while that he believed the Legislature would it Judge Hoge, then Comptroller General, and almost or quite every leading Repub-lican in the State, warmly opposed my plan of appointing additional places of density It must be appointed that self see the benefit of a new bill. He was anxious to have no difference between himself and the Legislature, and if that body, when they met, would devote themselves in good faith to the work of deposit. It must be remembered that this bank was very powerful with party and in the Legislature. In discus-

perfecting a tax levy there need be no no delay in passing such a bill as would satisfy all honest citizens.

THE TAX BILL.

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, COUNTY OF ANDERSON.

### COURT OF COMMON PLEAS.

Samuel McGowan, Wm. W. Humphreys and A. T. Broyles, Plaintiffs, against John M. Brooks and Juritta C., his wife, Defendants.—Summons to Renew Execution

To John M: Brooks and Juritta C. Brooks Defendants :

W HEREAS, judgment was obtained in the Circuit Court for the County of Anderson, and State of South Car-olina, on the third day of February, A. D. 1869, in the above entitled cause, against John M. Brooks and Juritta C. against John M. Brooks and Jurita C., his wife, for the sum of Three Hundred and Thirty-nine Dollars and Sixty-six Cents, with interest from the third day of February, 1869, and Twenty-six Dol-lars and Forty Cents costs, and execution was duly issued thereon, but the active encry thereof has now expired, and it is desired to have the some renewed

is desired to have the same renewed. Now, therefore, you are summoned to appear at the next Term of the Circuit Court, to be held for said County, at the place of holding the same, and then and there show cause, if any you can, why said execution should not be renewed according to law.

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TAKE NOTICE, That the summons in this case has been filed this day to renew an execution, issued upon the afore-said judgment, whose active energy has expired, and unless you answer the same within the time prescribed by law, judg-ment for such renewal will be taken. Dated Anderson C. H., S. C., August to give any hint of any increased weakness of the bank; and its standing in the

16th, A. D., 1875. MURRAY & MURRAY Plaintiffs' Attorneys. Aug 19, 1875 5

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, COUNTY OF ANDERSON.

IN THE PROBATE COURT. T. E. Duncan, E. L. Long, Mary A. Cook, Mahaly E. Hanks, and others, Plain-tiffs, against Benjamin Smith, Defen-dant.—Summons for Relief. To the Defendant, Benjamin Smith:

You have been and, benjahim Sintar. You are hereby summoned and re-quired to answer the petition in this action, which is filed in the office of the Judge of Probate for the said County, and to serve a copy of your answer to the said petition on the subscribers at their office, at Anderson C. H., S. C., within transit days after the service within twenty days after the service hereof, exclusive of the day of such service; and if you fail to answer the peti-tion within the time aforesaid, the plain-



WILLIAMSTON, June 15, 1873. Mr. W. S. Sharpe-Sir: In answer to your inquiry in regard to my opinion of the Brown Cotton Gin, I can say that I would not take it down to put up any other Gin that I am acquainted with. It runs very light; is no trouble to keep in order. To prove the last assertion, I ginned three hun-dred and twenty bales on mine and never more the game from the inks; in fact. I Has been invested in Stock Privileges and paid And we take this carly opportunity, to tell every body and the balance of mankind gener-erally, that you must all pay us up next fall, then we can all begin the year 1876, out of debt. 0! What a thought if people would only *TAKE TO IT*. We keep a large stock of goods on hand, and are anxious to sell them for cash or on a credit to those who pay. removed the caps from the inks; in fact, I don't think I lost twenty minutes in all the "How to Do It," a Book on Wall St., sent free, TUMBRIDGE & CO., Bankers and Brokers, 2 Wall Street, New York. time from anything wrong with the Gin. It makes a very good staple, and sells in our market at the highest prices. Yours respectfully, C. E. HORTON.

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course unpleasant and disgusting to have one's name connected with such transactions in any way, but that he could not be responsible for false and unfounded tales which might be told, and no fair-minded man ought to be affected by such tales till there was something like evidence to support them.

PROSECUTIONS OF CULPRIT OFFICIALS.

The Governor's attention was called to the subject of prosccutions generally against dishonest and unfaithful public officers, and he said with great emphasis, "I am in favor of holding every public officer to a rigid accountability, and if he violates the law I am in favor of his punishment. I shall do my whole duty in every such case. If I have any knowledge of dishonest transactions I shall place it in the hands of those whose duty it is to prosecute offenders against the law. I will aid any man who is engaged in such a work in all possible ways. I confess, however, that I am not so much interested in what is next and some on I interested in what is past and gone as I am in what is present and coming. It will, I think, task all our energies to the utmost to stop up the open leaks, and staunch the running wounds. Another thing; when prosecutions are started, if they are to command the public confidence, they must be so conducted as to give evidence that the motive actuating the State is the public good. The moment they seem to be used as political machines they will be worse than useless. Whereever I see or shall be shown an opportunity to aid in punishing crime or preventing crime I shall do my duty, and I venture now to say that I shall not be the first to cry 'Hold, enough ?' Time will show whether I or others will find prudential reasons for dealing gently with public offenders. In the meantime malicious rumors and tales that fill the air will not disturb me."

# THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR PUBLIC PROS-

ECUTIONS. The Governor continued the conversation by remarking that his powers and duties were greatly exaggerated in the public mind. In some States the Governor was authorized to direct suits and prosecutions to be brought in the interest many to sustain me." of the State, but it is not so in this State. The public prosecuting officers are in no way made subject to his control. His powers are scarcely different from those of any citizen. If he discovers fraud he can only lay its evidences before the solicitors or the grand juries. In the actua! prosecution of cases he has no voice or duty. He is bound to give all the faciliities in his power, and to give an the facul-ities in his power, and to call attention to violations of law, but he cannot supersede or control or advise, except by courtesy, any prosecuting officer. If there is delay or failure to prosecute public causes, the responsibility is not with the Governor. THE FAILURE OF THE SOLOMON BANK.

The Governor's attention was called to the failure of Solomon's Bank, and a long conversation ensued respecting it. He said that the failure of this bank was a recently I heard but one voice, that of apsaid that the failure of this bank was a recently rheard but one voice, that of ap-grievous blow to the interests of the state, affecting the work of consoltating the State debt, as well as embarrassing the South Carolina Conservatives. I May 28, 1874

stood ready to do that at all times. The result has been unfortunate in the extreme, and, perhaps, no one man has so much cause to regret it as I have, but I for the relief demanded in the petition. to banish all political and personal considerations from the determination of such questions, perhaps the gain will equal the present loss."

posits as low as \$200,000. At times they

were more and at times less, but did not,

April, after Mr. Dunn became Comptrol-

ler General, I called a meeting of the

ent banks. I explained to Mr. Dunn,

the Comptroller General, my course to-

POLITICS AND PARTIES IN THE STATE.

The conversation turned upon the political situation of affairs in the State, and gust, 1875. the Governor expressed the hope that the cause of good government was making substantial progress in the State. He said he did not fear that any combinations aiming to restore the misrule of the last two years, would succeed. He relied on the support of all the *thinking* Republicans, who must now be satisfied that reform was the only good policy, to take no higher view of it. Speaking of the Conservatives and their relations to him, he said: "I have never failed to give full credit to the Conservatives, and to Conservative press of the State, for the very hearty support of my course. They have shown the best of spirit and have rendered effective and absolutely indispensable aid. I believe they will continue to do so. There are carpers, malcontents, reactionary politicians among the Conservatives and Conservative press, who seem to think it wise to seek to dis-Drayage-per bale ..... credit me and my work, but I am satis-fied their influence is limited as their number is small. There are dozens of letters lying on this table from the best and most trusted men of this State depre-Aug 5, 1875 cating such a course, and assuring me of their ardent and constant support. At any rate their course will not affect me. If I had been a man to take my public course from a desire to punish my enemies you know no man ever had greater temptation to such a course than I had the day I took my seat as Governor. But the man does not live who ever heard me utter an unkind word towards those who opposed me most bitterly in the political campaign. I bent all my efforts towards doing what I had promised to do and I welcomed every opportunity, whether official or personal, to serve the people-all the people-impartially. Now if any Conservatives see fit to renew their attacks upon me they can do so with safety They will never drive me to do an act, even in revenge which will harm them.

Through good report and evil report I shall hold on to the end. This is a matter of principle with me and it matters not who stands by me or who deserts me. I shall stand by the cause of reform with few or M. GOLDSMITH.

PHENIX IRON WORKS, THE GOVERNOR AND THE PRESIDENT. The Governor was asked what his relations were with the administration at Washington, and he answered : "I, understand that I am warmly sustained at GOLDSMITH & KIND. Washington. I have not personally seen the President since I became Governor, FOUNDERS and MACHINISTS. How the always on hand Station and SteamEngine and Boilers for Saw Mills, etc., Saw and Grist Mills, Cotton Presses, Gearing, Shafting, Pullies, etc. Castings of every kind in Iron or Brass. We guarantee to furnish Engines and Boilers of as good quality and power, and at as low rates as can be had in the North. We among finduce also the Goddy Imbut Senator Robertson assures me that the President is greatly gratified at the results of my administration, and others tell me the same. I do know that every member of the Cabinet has expressed his most cordial approval of my course and the results already reached They feel that a heavy load is removed from the Republican party, and that the prosperity of the State has in every way been promoted. In my visit to the North mend for power, simplicity of construc-tion, durability and cheapness. We warand dispatch in filling orders. GOLDSMITH & KIND,

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