

TROOPS TO GUARD SLATON.

Talk of a Possible Attack When His
Successor Is Sworn In.

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ATLANTA, Ga., June 24.—Two regiments of Georgia militia will be under arms Saturday, mainly for the purpose of protecting Governor John M. Slaton from possible violence at the hands of a mob of Georgians who will be gathered here from various parts of the State for the purpose of witnessing the inauguration ceremonies of Governor-elect Nat Harris of Macon.

The Second Regiment is coming to Atlanta from Macon to pay a tribute to the new Governor. The Fifth Regiment of Atlanta has been ordered out to meet them. It is well understood in Atlanta, however, that the real purpose of this gathering of troops is to prevent any possible violence being offered to the retiring Governor.

Leo M. Frank passed a quiet day at the State prison farm. He is still employed about the building, and will be kept there until his health is much improved, after which he will be sent to work in the fields. The prisoner is expected to give out a statement soon.

"I am feeling much better," he said today, "and intend to do my work cheerfully and willingly until I am in position to start another fight for freedom. I am still confident that I will eventually be given my freedom."

When the Governor's message was introduced in the House today, and some one asked that it be read, some of the members suggested that it would be better to read the issue of The Jeffersonian, the publication issued by Tom Watson, in which he has bitterly scored those seeking to free Frank.

A bill hitting at the Governor and seeking to prevent action of the kind that Slaton took in the Frank case was introduced in the Senate by Senator Haralson of the Fortieth District.

When the clemency is based on doubt of guilt, the bill limits the investigation powers of both the Prison Board and the Governor to newly discovered evidence, and gives the Governor power to commute or pardon only upon the written recommendation of a majority of the Pardon Board or upon the written recommendation of the Solicitor General and a majority of the jury.

The bill also disqualifies a Governor who has represented the applicant or who is connected with a law firm which has represented the applicant.