

SLATON BACK IN GEORGIA.

No Attempt to Molest Ex-Governor
for Frank Commutation.

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ATLANTA, Ga., Oct. 23:—Ex-Governor John M. Slaton, who left for a trip to the Pacific Coast soon after his term of office expired on July 1, returned to Atlanta on Oct. 4 and has resumed the practice of law.

When the ex-Governor left Georgia excitement was intense owing to his commutation of the death sentence of Leo M. Frank, and it was predicted that he would not return to the State, or if he did that personal harm would befall him. Neither prediction has come to pass. The ex-Governor has been here for three weeks going about his business, and no attempt has been made to molest him.

Even Mr. Slaton's friends feared that an attempt might be made to harm him, and when he returned guards in plain clothes met him at the station, and these ever since have remained on duty at the home of Mrs. W. D. Grant, the mother of Mrs. Slaton, where the ex-Governor and his wife are staying. Three guards are constantly on duty.

Very little attention has been paid by the State press to Mr. Slaton's return. Even Tom Watson, who was exceedingly bitter against Slaton because he commuted Frank's sentence, has not even alluded in his paper. The Jeffersonian, to the ex-Governor's return. Watson repeatedly had asserted that the ex-Governor never would return to Georgia.

Ex-Governor Slaton was a guest this afternoon at a luncheon given in honor of President C. H. Markham of the Illinois Central, who is here with Directors of the road. New Yorkers present were C. A. Peabody, President of the Mutual Life Insurance Company; J. W. Auchincloss, Cornelius Vanderbilt, J. C. Parrish and W. Lutgen, a member of the August Belmont firm.

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