



Photo by Mrs. H. T. Bartow.

CELEBRATED FLOCK OF SOUTHDOWN SHEEP IN DRUID HILL PARK, BALTIMORE. — The shepherd (recently deceased) had been the guardian of the park sheep for over thirty years. He was a universal favorite.

Governor John Walter Smith.

Governor Smith whose portrait appears on the front page of this issue, was born in Snow Hill, Md., February 5th, 1845, and takes his full name from his father. He began his business career as a clerk for the firm of George S. Richardson and Brother as the junior partner, which was re-organized and continued in business as Richardson, Moore and Smith. The character of the business transacted was grain and general merchandising. Upon the death of Mr. Richardson, the senior member, the firm became Smith, Moore and Company, and continues as such at the present time.

Governor Smith's home is still at Snow Hill, where he has a beautiful residence and which he occupies except when his presence is required at the State Capitol. He has but one child—a daughter—who is the wife of Colonel Arthur D. Foster, of Foster and Foster, attorneys at law, practicing in Baltimore.

Prior to his election as governor of Maryland, he was a member of the State Senate, and in 1894 served with distinction as the president of that body. He has also represented his district in Congress.

Governor Smith's popularity is almost unbounded, as was shown by the unusual majority which he received when running for the office which he now holds. He is a gentleman of most pleasing address, and to him the word friendship has more than the ordinary meaning. His administration has proven him to be a man of marked courage and of great ability. His conduct of public affairs meets with the approbation of all good citizens, irrespective of party affiliations.



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