

trade with Baltimore, which afterward assumed large proportions. As the other brothers attained their majority they were successively taken into the firm. In 1875, the firm began the manufacture of yellow pine lumber at Suffolk, Virginia, and they erected a small planing mill at Salisbury, where some of their lumber was sent to be worked up, after being roughed out in Virginia. Under the careful and successful policy of the firm, a powerful tug was procured to tow six large barges, with a capacity of 125,000 feet each. At Suffolk, Virginia, the firm built a railroad running forty miles to the Dismal Swamp and equipped it fully with rolling stock.

In 1877 a large planing mill was started in Baltimore, and in 1879 one was established in Washington, the shipments to these points largely increasing meanwhile. About ten years ago they purchased 80,000 acres of land in Alabama. Senator Jackson has always been an active worker in the Democratic politics of his county and State from early manhood. He was elected to the House of Delegates from Wicomico county in 1882, and became a State Senator in 1884. When, upon the resignation of Governor Robert M. McLane to become United States Minister to France, Henry Lloyd was made Governor, Senator Jackson was made President of the Senate. In November, 1887, Mr. Jackson was elected Governor of Maryland on the Democratic ticket over Walter B. Brooks, Republican, by a plurality of 12,416, the vote being Jackson 99,038, and Brooks 86,622. During his administration many important measures were adopted, such as the Australian ballot law, the adoption of five important constitutional amendments, the oyster cull law, and other excellent reforms, all of which had the Governor's active support. At the Executive Mansion in Annapolis the Governor and Mrs. Jackson practiced a generous hospitality, and both of them endeared themselves to a large circle of friends. This hospitality has never been equaled in the known history of the Gubernatorial residence, and the delights of these entertainments still cling in rich memories around the Executive Mansion.

Senator Jackson married Miss Annie Rider, the accomplished daughter of Dr. W. H. Rider, a prominent merchant of Salisbury, in 1869, and has five children. In 1885 he built a large mansion in a beautiful situation at a cost of \$35,000, where, with his wife and family, he entertains his friends with true Eastern Shore hospitality. The Senator, among his other business enterprises, numbers the presidency of the Salisbury National Bank and of the Sussex Bank, of Seaford, Del. Senator Jackson in his private life is full of good deeds, and is greatly beloved in the community in which he lives. This winter the ex-Governor and his family are spending in Baltimore, residing in a handsome house on North Charles street.