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Hon. John C. Sparto.

Revd.
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My Dear Sir & friend.

I intended writing at once upon receipt of the news that you were elected Governor of your state, but was prevented by business engagements.

It is not too late however to congratulate you on your accession to that honorable position by the voice of your people. No man, except perhaps "August" is more gratified, than I am at your success. About the only thing I regret about it is that I was not at Georgetown when the news was read in order to have seen how "August" took it. I had several talks with him about it during the campaign, he just "beamed" with pleasure at the thought of your election - and when he heard of your election I am quite ^{sure} his cup of happiness was full & overflowing.

I have opened a Branch Law Office at this place, have been here since the 19th of last month assisting in

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getting it "in its legs" - will remain until
about the middle of next month the crew
then return home and push things up, for
a month or so, at that end of the line -
This is certainly one of the greatest
Oil fields on earth, Millions upon
Millions are being invested - in all the
varied phases of Oil industry - It is
absolutely incredible. Rice too is coming
in as an other great and increasing
wealth producing and extensive industry.
And the output of Lumber, already great
is, increasing every day -

Your nephew, Van' son, the Dist. Clerk of
Lampasas County, has been here several
weeks engaged in the Life Insurance business
and is doing very well -

Be assured my friend that my best wishes
will attend you, and my sincere hope is
that your Administration will be successful
and acceptable to your people.

Kind regards to Cousin Howard
Childers,

I am truly as ever your friend
W. K. Makemson