

GIBSON'S CANE.

Restored to Its Owner After a Long Separation.

We find the following in the *Atlanta Constitution*, of yesterday:

The morning after Gov. Smith's speech in Augusta, your reporter was sitting quietly in the law office of Thos. H. Gibson, when in came the Southern Express man with a walking cane, labeled "From D. H. Chase, for T. H. Gibson, Augusta, Ga."

Mr. Gibson received it, and stated that it had an interesting history. He went on to say that in the Summer of 1861, while the First Georgia Regiment was stationed at Laurel Hill, in West Virginia, Judge Gibson visited it. While there the army under General Garnett was forced to retreat before McClellan's forces. And at the battle of Corrick's ford, on Cheat river, Gen. Garnett was killed, our baggage train captured, and with it the Judge's walking cane. A member of the Ninth Indiana Volunteers got it and kept it for several years, when he gave it to Col. R. P. Dehart, who several months ago gave it to Judge D. H. Chase, of Loganport, Indiana.

The latter a few weeks ago wrote to Mr. M. S. Kean, a prominent dry goods merchant of this city, and who was taken prisoner and fell into the hands of Captain Chase, at the Corrick ford fight, stating he had in his possession a cane captured at that fight, and supposing it was General Garnett's, wanted to know how he could find the owner. On the 18th instant Mr. T. H. Gibson wrote to Captain Chase, describing the stick his father had lost, and the 24th instant received a reply that the stick described was the one he had, and he would forward it immediately by express, and it arrived this morning. The cane was the more highly appreciated and valued by Judge Gibson by reason of the fact that it was a present to him from a very warm friend, now deceased, Mr. Isaac Mayer, a former citizen and merchant of this place, who brought it from Germany in 1860