

THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL TO BE SUED FOR DIVORCE

**Mrs. Jackson Says She Found
Evidence in Rochester.**

RETAINS MR. COATESWORTH

**Mr. Jackson Quoted as Saying He Will
"Get Even" with Former Su-
perior—Silent on Suit.**

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BUFFALO, Feb. 5.—When Attorney General William S. Jackson learned this morning that his wife had engaged an attorney to bring suit for divorce he declared that his political enemies had been at work, and that he would live long enough to get even with Edward E. Coatesworth, Chairman of the Democratic County Committee, who has accepted a retainer from Mrs. Jackson.

It was through Mr. Coatesworth that the Attorney General got his first important start in politics. As District Attorney, Mr. Coatesworth named Mr. Jackson as his second assistant, and he served in that capacity throughout Mr. Coatesworth's term of office.

The circulation of the report that Mrs. Jackson had gone to Rochester to watch her husband, and her statement that she found him in an apartment in company with a woman, created considerable discussion among lawyers and Democratic leaders in this city. The new Attorney General has been looked upon by a faction of the party here as a rising man, and disappointment and chagrin marked the bearing to-day of the Hearst element of the Democracy, whom Jackson more particularly has represented.

Mrs. Jackson is the daughter of T. B. Staley, formerly a Main Street shoe dealer. Mr. Jackson is the son of D. G. Jackson, a lawyer, of Tonawanda. The Attorney General and his wife have not lived happily together.

Mrs. Jackson made the following statement to-night:

"Mr. Jackson brought it on himself. He has ignored me, and after I stood by him and helped him when he was poor. He has hardly spoken to me since he became prominent. I made up my mind I could not stand the way he treated me any longer. I decided to get a divorce, and now I am going ahead with it.

"I was married to him fourteen years ago, when I was 19 years old. He came home only to sleep after election, and treated me as if I did not exist. He did not even ask me to go to the inauguration with him. Since he has been Attorney General he has been home a few times, but not to stay. He would come into the house, and then go out again. He seemed to think I would put up with anything he did and think it all right, or else he didn't care.

"I engaged detectives, and learned that he might be expected at a certain house in Rochester. I went there Saturday, and Sunday he arrived. I was with the detective when they broke into a flat, and we got the evidence we wanted. The suit will be brought on that evidence. I don't see how he could care for such a woman. She isn't even good-looking."

Mr. and Mrs. Jackson have two children, a boy of 11 and a girl of 9.

Mr. Coatesworth would make no statement, beyond saying that he had been retained to bring an action for divorce against Attorney General Jackson and intended to do so. He declared that the political side of the matter did not appeal to him, as he is practicing law and is merely representing Mrs. Jackson as her attorney.