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SHRINE GETS OLD RELIC.

Tablet From One-Time Capitol Put In James Monroe Law Office.

SPECIAL DISPATOR TO THE ENQUIRER.

Washington, May 2 - Mrs. Harvey

W. Wiley, Mrs. Rose Gouveneur Hoes

and Mayor Jere H. Willis of Fred-

ericksburg took part in an impressive

ceremony at the James Monroe Law

Office, in Fredericksburg,

Va., last Sunday afternoon. The occasion was

official presentation by Mrs. the

Wiley, on behalf of the National

Woman's Party, to the James Monroe

Law Office, which has been turned

into a museum by President Monroe's

descendants, of the bronze tablet once affixed to the wall of the Old Brick

Capitol in Washington, commemorating President Monroe's inauguration

there. The Old Brick Capitol, it will be

recalled, was given by Mrs. O. H. P. Belmont to the National Woman's

to the National Woman's its headquarters. When the was condemned and torn Party as its headquarters. building was condemned and torn down by the United States Govern-

ment in order to make a place for the Supreme Court Library, the bronze Monroe tablet was preserved by the party.

presented to the James Monroe Law Office in Fredericksburg, and the National Council of the Woman's Party authorized the ceremony which

Mrs. Belmont suggested that it be

took place on Sunday.

Woman's Party members from Washington, Richmond, Baltimore and other neighboring cities were in

Fredericksburg for the occasion. After a luncheon at 1 o'clock they adojurned to the James Monroe Law

Office at 2:30 to present the tablet.

It is interesting to note that President Monroe's induction into office hegan the custom of outdoor inaugurations. Up to that time Presidents

had always been sworn in within four walls. Monroe's inauguration took place on the steps of the Old Brick

Capitol, later to become the head-quarters of the Woman's Party, at 21 First Street, N. E., March 4, 1817.