

Death of the Great Railroad Manager.

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH OF THE DECEASED— HIS EARLY CAREER, SERVICES DURING THE CIVIL WAR, SUCCESS AS A PROJECTOR AND BUILDER OF RAILROADS, AND HIS FINAL TAKING OFF.

Colonel Thomas A. Scott, who died at 9 o'clock on Saturday evening last at his country residence, near Philadelphia, was born in Loudon, Franklin county, Pa., December 28, 1823. He worked on a farm in summer, went to the village school in winter, and before attaining his majority had been a clerk in several country stores of Waynesboro', Bridgeport and Mercersburg. Afterward he became the clerk of his brother-in-law, Maj. James Patten, who was collector of tolls at Columbia, on the State road, and a little later clerk to the extensive warehouse and commission merchants of Columbia, the Messrs. Leach. In 1847 he accepted the post of chief clerk to A. Boyd Cummings, the collector of tolls in Philadelphia, the eastern terminus of the State road. It was in 1851, at the age of twenty-eight years, that he first became connected with the Pennsylvania railroad, then only partially constructed. After residing for about a year at the Junction, near Hollidaysburg, in charge of the business of the company passing over the Portage road and the western division of the State canal, he was appointed to the responsible post of general agent for the eastern or mountain division of the road, with headquarters at Duncansville. On the completion of the western division he was made its general agent at the Pittsburg office, and with the withdrawal of General Herman J. Lombard from the post of general superintendent of the entire line in 1857 he assumed the vacant position with headquarters at Altoona. In 1859, on the death of Mr. William B. Foster, vice president of the road, Mr. Scott was chosen his successor and quickly became known as one of the most active and enterprising railway managers in the country.

At the outbreak of the war, in 1861, he was appointed colonel on the staff of Gov. Curtin, and distinguished himself by his energy in equipping and forwarding the Pennsylvania volunteers. His mastery of the important details of military transportation pointed him out for the position of assistant secretary of war under General Simon Cameron and his successor, Edwin M. Stanton, and he held that position until 1862, when his railway interests rendered necessary his resignation. He again temporarily accepted a governmental position in 1863, when he went to Louisville and superintended the dispatch of the Eleventh and Twelfth corps via Nashville to the relief of Gen. Rosecrans at Chattanooga. At this time he was appointed colonel and assistant quartermaster general on Gen. Hooker's staff.

Returning to his railway duties, he was instrumental in securing the control of various western lines of railways necessary for opening continuous communication with the great cities of the west. In 1871, rival routes to St. Louis and Chicago having been brought under the same management, it was deemed expedient for the simple and effective working of the lines west of Pittsburg, that a separate company should be chartered, and this was accomplished by charter from the State legislature on March 1, 1881, Colonel Scott becoming president of this company, known as the Pennsylvania company, being the agency through which the western roads leased by the Pennsylvania railroad are operated. At the same date he was chosen president of the "Pan Handle Route," otherwise known as the Pittsburg, Cincinnati and St. Louis railway. He was also president of the Union Pacific railroad from March, 1871, to March, 1872, when this road passed under the control of Vanderbilt; president of the Texas Pacific railroad, from its organization on April 15, 1871; president of the Atlantic and Pacific railroad, which is to follow the thirty-fifth parallel of latitude, from August 5, 1873; a controlling director of the Southern Railway Security Company, which had the management of a great network of roads in the south, and director of the Kansas Pacific, Denver and Pacific, Denver and Rio Grande (narrow gauge), and numerous other roads, and he declined, in 1874, the position of president of the Erie railway of New York.

The results of a railroad collision many years before, and his living two lives within one by reason of his ceaseless activity, began impairing Colonel Scott's physical vigor, and after he had suffered a slight stroke of paralysis in 1879 he was hurried off to Europe. He returned, much restored in health, but still felt that he should be looking around for some one to whose hands he could commit the interests of the Pennsylvania railroad in case of serious sickness, and in January, 1880, he indicated his choice by having Vice President George B. Roberts made president of the Pennsylvania company, the organization controlling all the lines west of Pittsburg. Finding his condition growing no better, Colonel Scott on May 1, 1880, sent a letter to the board of directors of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company resigning his honorable position.

His wishes were reluctantly complied with and Mr. Roberts succeeded him. His correspondence was extensive and his charities constant. It is said that last year alone he gave away over \$250,000. On the twelfth of April of this year he resigned the presidency of the Texas and Pacific railroad and absolutely retired from business life. As a result of the railroad accident in 1856 his left side was paralyzed and for several days he was unable to move. From that time forward Colonel Scott suffered from this injury. Whenever he was sick or even greatly fatigued he noticed a numbness in his left side, which was very annoying and at times alarming. Throughout all his arduous duties in Washington this trouble continued, and it grew worse after he went into the active management of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company. The disease finally took the form of softening of the brain, with slight hemorrhages, which frequently caused partial paralysis, but never interfered with his mental capacity. The third and most serious

attack of the disease took place a few weeks ago. Colonel Scott, who was always in excellent spirits and made light of his infirmities, determined to attend the wedding of the son of Theodore Cuyler, a few doors below his residence on Rittenhouse square. He got into his carriage and was driven without any mishap to Mr. Cuyler's door. When the footman opened the carriage door he was astonished to find the Colonel reclining on the seat. A deathlike pallor was on his face, and he was evidently very ill. He was driven back to his house, carried up stairs and Dr. S. Wier Mitchell, Dr. Wilson and other physicians were hurriedly summoned. A glance told them that Colonel Scott had suffered a third stroke of paralysis. The usual remedies were applied and the Colonel rallied slowly at first, but with astonishing rapidity after a few days. While the public, who had been apprised of his illness through the press were expecting to hear of his death, Colonel Scott was fast getting better, and within a week of his first attack was able to get out of bed and walk across the floor. The sick man was removed to his country seat near Darby as soon as he was able, and the change seemed to do him good. Late on Thursday night it became evident that he was about to receive another stroke, and every precaution was taken to relieve the patient. His condition grew worse, and his death was hourly expected. During all his illness Colonel Scott's mind had been perfectly clear until Friday, when it was noticed his health was failing, but he retained his spirits and laughed and joked with his physician and attendants long after every hope of saving his life had vanished.

Decoration Ceremonies.

HEADQUARTERS, DEPARTMENT OF PENN., GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, PHILADELPHIA, May 14, 1881.

In compliance with Rules and Regulations and existing Orders, Monday, May 30th, will be observed as Memorial Day, throughout this Department.

As we are called upon to devote but one day of the year, to rendering tribute to the memory of our dead comrades, it is expected that upon that day the pursuits and cares of daily life will be put aside, and that every comrade of the Order will participate in the solemn and impressive services, showing to the world, that with us at least, the memories of our dead companions in arms, have not grown dim with passing years, and that we, through the dispensation of Providence, have been permitted to survive them, fully appreciate the privileges we enjoy.

Let the exercises of the day be so arranged and conducted, as to reflect no discredit upon our organization, and prove that with the Grand Army, Memorial Day is not one of merriment or festivity, but a day, when the mind of the American Soldier, is given to sober thoughts and earnest acts, as pure and as patriotic, as those that moved him, when he enrolled himself as a volunteer soldier of his country, and went forth to battle for its honor and the perpetuity of its institutions. As the associations of the day are sad and its memories sacred, may its influences be ennobling and elevating, inciting in each, a purer and more generous patriotism.

Our nation readily joins with us in paying our annual tribute to the Nation dead, believing that their lives were part of the terrible ransom paid for the present existence of the Government, and prosperity of our people.

In localities in the State, where there is no Post of the Grand Army, it is hoped that the citizens thereof, will assume the duty of decorating the graves of all soldiers buried in their vicinity.

Throughout the grand old State of Pennsylvania, let not a single soldier's grave, however lonely, however humble, be unadorned with flowers, on the evening of May 30th.

Forms of Decoration ceremonies can be had upon application to the Assistant Adjutant General.

As a matter of interesting information and for the purpose of future use, a report should be made on the blanks furnished, of the location of each cemetery and the number of graves, which have been decorated by the Post or by other organizations.

By command of JOHN TAYLOR, Department Commander, J. M. VANDERLICK, Assistant Adjutant General.

"I Don't Want That Stuff."

Is what a lady of Boston said to her husband when he brought home some medicine to cure her of sick headache and neuralgia which had made her miserable for fourteen years. At the first attack thereafter, it was administered to her with such good results, that she continued its use until cured, and made so enthusiastic in its praise, that she induced twenty-two of the best families in her circle to adopt it as their regular family medicine. That "stuff" is Hop Bitters.—Standard.

New Advertisements.

BOND VALENTINE, AGENT FOR THE MORRIS & IRELAND SAFE, IS prepared to furnish the same cheap and will refer to those who have them in use—L. E. Brown, F. C. Richard, Frank Loyer and others. Sample safe can be seen at my office in Bellefonte. 21-4w

SHERIFF'S SALE.

BY virtue of sundry writs of Fieri Facias, issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Centre county, and to me directed, there will be exposed at public sale at the Court House, in Bellefonte, on

Saturday, June 4, A. D. 1881, at 1 o'clock, P. M., the following described real estate of the defendant, to wit:

Suit of J. A. Casanova vs. J. H. Pierce. Ft. St., No. 5 Ang. term, 1881. Debt, \$2,000. Beaver & Orphan, Att'ys.

All that certain lot or piece of ground situated in the borough of Phillipsburg, Centre county, Pa., bounded and described as follows, to wit: Bounded on the north by North Front street, on the east by Laurel street, on the west by lot of Mrs. Meyer, and on the south by second street, fronting on North Front street 56 feet and extending along Laurel street 220 feet; thereon erected a two-story frame dwelling house, two large store rooms, a ware room, marble yard, stable and other outbuildings. Seized, taken in execution and to be sold as the property of J. H. Pierce.

TERMS CASH.—No deed will be acknowledged until the purchase money is paid in full. JOHN SPANGLER, Sheriff. Sheriff's Office, Bellefonte, Pa., May 17, 1881.

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New Advertisements.

WILLIAM A. WALLACE, DAVID L. KRUEGER, HARRY F. WALLACE, WILLIAM A. WALLACE. WALLACE & KRUEGER, LAW AND COLLECTION OFFICE, CLARKFIELD, PA. January 1, 1881.

Letting. PROPOSALS will be received by the Commissioners of Centre and Clinton counties on MONDAY, JUNE 6, 1881, for repairs on County Bridge across Beach Creek, on line between said counties. Specifications can be seen at the Commissioners' office at Bellefonte and Lock Haven. The Commissioners reserve the right to reject any or all bids.

ANDREW GREGG, GEORGE SWARTZ, JACOB DUNKLE, Commissioners of Centre county. PATRICK KANE, J. A. McLELLAN, D. M. MORRIS, Commissioners of Clinton county.

AUDITOR'S NOTICE. In the matter of the assignment of JOHN W. SHILL, in the Court of Common Pleas of Centre county, No. 24, January term, 1880.

The undersigned, an auditor appointed by the Court of Common Pleas of Centre county, to make distribution of the assets in the hands of the assignee to and among those legally entitled thereto, will meet the parties in interest at his office in the borough of Hollidaysburg, on TUESDAY, the 21st day of June, 1881, at 10 o'clock, A. M., at which time and place all parties interested may attend.

H. A. McKEE, Auditor.

Logan Cement. THE retail price for LOGAN CEMENT on and after this date (May 9, 1881) will be two dollars per barrel and no charge for tags or barrels. H. K. HICKS.

Administrator's Notice. NOTICE is hereby given, that Letters of Administration on the estate of Samuel Yearick, dec'd, late of Walker township, having been granted to the undersigned, resident of the same township, all persons indebted to said deceased are requested to make immediate payment, and all persons having claims against said deceased will present them duly authenticated for payment.

JOHN S. YEARICK, Administrator.

Administrator's Notice. NOTICE is hereby given, that Letters of Administration on the estate of William W. Beck, deceased, late of Marion township, Centre county, Pa., have been granted to the undersigned. All persons indebted to said deceased are requested to make immediate payment, and persons having claims against said deceased will present them duly authenticated for settlement.

WILLIAM B. BECK, J. Z. LONG, Administrators.

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Good Sample Room on First Floor. Free Buses to and from all Trains. Special rates to witnesses and jurors.

For Sale. A FARM containing Fifty Acres, and having thereon erected a TWO-STORY FRAME BUILDING and out buildings. Title good. Inquire of A. J. & T. E. GRIEST, Unionville, Centre county, Pa.

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THIS SCHOOL, as at present constituted, offers the very best facilities for Professional and Classical learning.

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The Professional courses are liberal, and are in thoroughness not inferior to those of our best colleges. The State requires a higher order of scholarship. The times demand it. It is one of the prime objects of this school to help to secure it by furnishing intelligent and efficient teachers for her schools. To this end it solicits young persons of good abilities and good purposes—those who desire to improve their talents and their talents, as students. To all such it promises aid in developing their powers and abundant opportunities for well-paid labor after leaving school.

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Mercantile Appraisal. THE vendors of foreign and domestic merchandise, distillers and brewers, brokers, &c., in Centre county, will take notice that they are appointed and charged by the undersigned appraiser of mercantile and other license tax for 1881, as follows, to wit:

Table listing names and amounts for mercantile appraisal, including Aaronsburg, Aaronsburg, and various other locations.

APPLICANTS FOR TAVERN LICENSE. NAMES, POST OFFICE, CLASS, AM'T.

Table listing names and amounts for tavern license applicants, including Brown, Edward Jr., Brockerhoff, H., Garman, D., Teller, W. B., etc.

APPLICANTS FOR SALOON LICENSE. NAMES, POST OFFICE, CLASS, AM'T.

Table listing names and amounts for saloon license applicants, including Anderson, John, Fager, H. C., Smith, Frederick, etc.

It is certified that the above is a correct list of all applicants for tavern and saloon license and approved by the undersigned in Centre county up to date.

D. F. LISK, Appraiser.