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DEATH OF GENERAL GOBIN

Gallant Soldier and Political Leader Expires at His Lebanon Home.

Lebanon, Pa., May 3.—Major General J. P. S. Gobin, Pennsylvania National Guard, retired, prominent in Pennsylvania affairs for more than a quarter of a century and former commander-in-chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, died at his home here after a long illness. Death was due to paralysis, with which the general was stricken late in March. He was 73 years of age.

General Gobin was born in Sunbury, Pa. He entered the civil war as a lieutenant, was rapidly promoted to colonel of the Forty-seventh Pennsylvania volunteers. He was brevetted brigadier general of volunteers and complimented in general orders for gallantry at the battle of Pocatello, S. C. General Gobin was with General Sheridan in his famous campaign, during a portion of the time commanding a brigade in the Nineteenth corps. For a time he was judge advocate general of the department of the South, and acted as provost judge at Charleston, S. C.

After being mustered out of the army in 1866 General Gobin settled in Lebanon and practiced law. He served for a time as solicitor of Lebanon county and in 1884 was elected to the state senate, in which body he remained until 1899, when he resigned to assume the duties of lieutenant governor.

General Gobin was a prominent figure in the Pennsylvania National Guard for 35 years. In 1874 he was commissioned colonel of the Ninth regiment, was made a brigadier general in command of the Third brigade in 1885, continuing in that position until Governor Pennypacker appointed him major general. General Gobin retired in order that the late General Wiley might be appointed major general before his retirement on reaching the age limit.

During the Spanish-American war General Gobin held a commission as brigadier general of volunteers.

General Gobin assisted in the organization of the Grand Army of the Republic and was elected Pennsylvania department commander in 1886, and commander-in-chief in 1897.

He was active in fraternal societies, having held prominent places in the Knights Templar and Odd Fellows.

CONDUCTOR KILLED

AT PHILADELPHIA

Union and Non-Union Trolley Men Engage in Fatal Rioting.

Philadelphia, May 3.—John McGuckin, aged 36, of this city, a union conductor, was shot and instantly killed during a fight between union and non-union motormen and conductors near the Frankford and Lehigh avenues barn of the Philadelphia Rapid Transit company.

Victor Farrell, aged 21, a non-union man from Washington, D. C., admits firing the fatal shot, but maintains that he shot in self-defense. He is held without bail to await the action of the coroner.

According to Farrell and his friends they were returning home about 1 o'clock in the morning when they were set upon by a crowd of union sympathizers, and were being badly beaten when Farrell pulled a revolver from his pocket and fired. McGuckin's body was found lying on the street by a policeman. Farrell and his friends, who bore marks of the conflict, were arrested at the car barn. Hugh R. Thomas and Eugene Winters, formerly of Washington; Samuel Woodward of Baltimore, and Joseph B. Cummins of San Francisco were held in jail as witnesses.

Smallpox From Europe.

Cleveland, May 3.—An epidemic of European smallpox has appeared in Cleveland. Thirteen cases, all children, have been reported and one death has occurred. The schools of the city are being disinfected and every precaution taken to prevent a spread of the disease. According to Dr. Martin Friedrich, city health officer, the disease was probably brought here by a Pole three months ago and in whose family the first case occurred.

Bill For Relief of A. G. Vanderbilt.

Washington, May 3.—A bill for the relief of A. G. Vanderbilt of New York was passed by the house. It appropriates \$265 to reimburse Mr. Vanderbilt for injuries to his yacht Caprice sustained in a collision with a naval dredge near Newport, R. I., on May 31, 1907.

Doctor Shoots Himself.

Kittanning, Pa., May 3.—Despondent over a prolonged illness, Dr. A. P. N. Painter, 49 years old, one of the best known physicians in Armstrong county, fatally shot himself, the bullet from a 22-calibre revolver entering the left breast over the heart.

An Unexpected Check.

A man who won a reputation for cool daring and almost eccentric fearlessness along a thousand miles of the southwestern border was A. L. Parrott, at one time a sergeant in McNelly's company of Texas rangers. One night in 1875, about six months after Parrott left the state service, he was sitting in a house in a little town in southwest Texas playing chess with a friend. It was a warm night, and the chessboard was on a table close to an open window. Parrott had the white men. The queen was in a direct line with the black king, but a black knight was between the two pieces. It was Parrott's move. Suddenly there was a sharp report outside, and a bullet whistled in through the window, hit the black knight and buried itself in the wall. Parrott had been bending over the board, and the bullet was evidently intended for his head. But for a few seconds he did not stir. He saw the black knight suddenly vanish. Then in his peculiar drawing, hesitating way he said, "Check!"

SPECULATING ON MARGIN.

American and English Ways of Doing It Are Very Different.

In America a speculator's capital (with an exception to be noted below) is necessarily at least the size of his margin in his broker's hands, though it is to be feared that in only too many instances it is just this and nothing more.

On the London Stock Exchange another method prevails which, says Moody's Magazine, it is probable has done more in the long ago past to give stock speculation its bad name than all the episodes of an unsavory nature which have ever occurred on American exchanges. In London after the inevitable introduction to a broker the new customer gives his order, but makes no deposit at all.

The broker is supposed to learn something of his new client's means and how far he should be allowed to commit himself. Twice a month the English have what they call their settlement days. A customer long of a stock whose commitment has gone somewhat against him is then required to pay the differences, as they are called, between his purchase price and the current quotation.

He must also pay a charge called a contango for holding the settlement over into the next fortnightly period if he does not wish to close the commitment. As a consequence of this way of doing business a speculator may be trading on a few points margin in reality or, in fact, on no margin at all. He may be utterly penniless without the broker knowing it.

That this method works out with fewer losses in England than it would do here is due to the fact that the social and economic strata to which an Englishman belongs are much easier to determine than the corresponding facts among us, and also that an introduction means more there than here, as the introducer is regarded as to a certain extent responsible morally for the business department of his friend.

It is worth while observing (and this is the exception referred to above) that in certain instances the methods pursued in American stock exchange houses are the same as those obtaining in London. Little as the fact is known, it is not an un-frequent custom for very wealthy speculators to have no fixed margin or even no margin at all with their brokers.

If a man of this sort loses on a commitment he sends his broker a check for the loss. If he wins his brokers remit to him for his gains. The broker dislikes to offend a very powerful client by troubling him for funds, and hence takes risks with his account which he would not dream of taking with the account of smaller men. Instances of this sort sometimes become public in cases where the broker is forced into bankruptcy, whether owing to this cause or not.

Could Do For Herself.

She was a very delightful but a very aged lady—over ninety—and her friends and relatives and even chance acquaintances, drawn by her exquisite personality, all did her homage and, as the saying is, "waited on her hand and foot."

She accepted it all very graciously, but with some inward rebellion, for to a very old and close mouthed friend she once said, with a quaint pucker of lips and brows: "I am reminded sometimes of the old lines: 'Twa were blowin' at her nose. And three were bucklin' at her shoon.'—Youth's Companion."

A Word For the Tightwad.

In France they have an expressive phrase, "liquid money." It means that part of the family income which is used for the necessities and luxuries of life. It is quite apart from and kept apart from the more serious, substantial part of the income, which is the saved part. In America the entire income is "liquid," and the man who attempts to make part of it solid is called a "tightwad." A "tightwad" is really a man who creates a principal—a capital, in other words—and he is the living example of what every private business must be and of how the country's resources should be handled.—Argonaut.

Voting in Spain.

Voting in Spain is held to be a duty to the community, not merely a privilege of the individual, and neglect of civic obligations carries its own penalty. Male adults of legal age and under seventy, with the exception of priests, notaries and judges, are required to vote in municipal elections. Failure to cast a ballot is punishable by having one's name published as censure for neglect, by having taxes increased 2 per cent, by suffering a deduction of 1 per cent in salary if employed in the public service and for the second offense the loss of right to hold elective or appointive office.

His Landscapes.

A nouveau riche recently attended a picture sale. A friend who had noticed him at the sale asked afterward, "Did you pick up anything at that picture sale, Jenkins?" and the other responded: "Oh, yes; a couple of landscapes. One of 'em was a basket of fruit and the other a storm at sea."

Public Penance.

In former times persons guilty of grievous and notorious offenses were required to make open confession and, further, to make satisfaction for the scandal given by their bad example by doing penance publicly in a white sheet in their parish church. The sheet was used to show clearly to every one which was the offender. The last time that public penance was done in an English church was on Sunday evening, July 30, 1882, when a man named Hartree, in the church of All Saints, East Cleveland, made an open confession of immorality and promised to perform the penance thus imposed on him by the vicar. No white sheet was used on this occasion. The last case in which one was used appears to have been one in St. Bridget's church, Chester, in 1851, but on that occasion the penance was not public, the church door being locked. In the previous year, however, public penance in a white sheet was done in a country church in Essex, and a similar thing occurred in Ditton church, near Cambridge, in 1840.—Stray Stories.

GUN COTTON.

A Peculiar Characteristic of This Terrible Explosive.

Many and odd are the materials entering into the manufacture of modern explosives, but perhaps the most interesting of all these elements of destruction as well as the simplest is gun cotton. The gun cotton manufacturing industry is large, as enormous quantities are used in the charging of torpedoes and for similar purposes.

The base of gun cotton is pure raw cotton or even cotton waste, such as is used to clean machinery. This is steeped in a solution of one part of nitric and three parts of sulphuric acid. It is the former ingredient that renders the mass explosive, the sulphuric acid being used merely to absorb all moisture, thus permitting the nitric acid to combine more readily with the cellulose of the cotton.

After being soaked for several hours in the solution described the cotton is passed between rollers to expel all nonabsorbed acid, a process carried to completion by washing the cotton in clear water. This washing process is a long one, requiring machinery which reduces the cotton to a mass resembling paper pulp. Should any nonabsorbed acid be allowed to remain it would decompose the cotton.

If the explosive is to be used after the manner of powder it is still further pulverized and then thoroughly dried, but if intended for torpedoes it is pressed into cakes of various shapes and sizes—disk shaped, cylindrical, flat squares and cubes. When not compressed gun cotton is very light, as light as ordinary batting.

A peculiar characteristic of this terrible explosive is that a brick of it when wet may be placed on a bed of hot coals, and as the moisture dries out the cotton will flake and burn quietly. If dry originally, however, the gun cotton will explode with terrible force at about 320 degrees of heat.

In general it is the custom to explode gun cotton by detonation or an intense shock instead of by heat. In a torpedo the explosive charge is wet, this wet cotton being exploded by means of dry cotton in a tube, this having been fired by a cap of fulminate of mercury, the cap itself having been fired by the impact of the torpedo against the target.—Harper's Weekly.

UNDER THE OCEAN.

Things That Happen at the Bottom of the Sea.

Naturalists dispute as to the quantity of light at the bottom of the sea. Animals from below 700 fathoms either have no eyes or faint indications of them, or else their eyes are very large and protruding.

Another strange thing is that if the creatures in the lower depths have any color it is orange or red or reddish orange. Sea anemones, corals, shrimps and crabs have this brilliant color. Sometimes it is pure red or scarlet, and in many specimens it inclines toward purple. Not a green or blue fish is found.

The orange red is the fish's protection, for the bluish green light in the bottom of the ocean makes the orange or the red fish appear of a neutral tint and hides it from its enemies. Many animals are black, others neutral in color. Some fish are provided with boring tails, so that they can burrow in the mud.

The surface of the submarine mountain is covered with shells, like an ordinary seashore, showing that it is the feeding place of vast shoals of carnivorous animals. A codfish takes a whole oyster into its mouth, cracks the shell, digests the meat and ejects the shell. Crabs crack the shells and suck out the meat. This accounts for whole mounds of shells that are often found.

Not a fishbone is ever found that is not honeycombed by the boring shellfish and falls to pieces at the touch of the hand. This shows what destruction is constantly going on in these depths.

If a ship sinks at sea with all on board it will be eaten by fish, with the exception of the metal, and that will corrode and disappear. Not a bone of a human body will remain after a few days.—Philadelphia North American.

Had to Do It.

Champ Clark was showing a constituent about the capitol one day when he invited attention to a solemn faced individual just entering a committee room.

"See that chap?" asked Clark. "He reads every one of the speeches delivered in the house."

"What?" gasped the constituent.

"Fact," said Clark. "Reads every word of 'em too!'"

"Who is he?" queried the visitor, regarding the phenomenon closely.

"A proofreader at the government printing office," explained Champ.—Cincinnati Commercial Tribune.

An Easy Numismatist.

Mrs. Goodard—You seem to have some education. Perhaps you were once a professional man. Howard Husher—Lady, I'm a numismatist by profession. Mrs. Goodard—A numismatist? Howard Husher—Yes, lady; a collector of rare coins. Any old coin is rare to me.—Philadelphia Press.

Sense of Danger.

Dr. Waldo of London holds that people should develop a sixth sense to inform them of the approach of danger in the streets. Lafcadio Hearn once said: "While in a crowd I seldom look at faces. My intuition is almost infallible, like that blind faculty by which in absolute darkness one becomes aware of the proximity of bulky objects without touching them. If I hesitate to obey it a collision is the inevitable consequence. What pilots one quickly and safely through a thick press is not conscious observation at all, but unreasoning intuitive perception."

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