

## VICE PRESIDENT HOBART DEAD.

Noted Political Leader Had Been  
Seriously Ill for Several  
Months

### HIS SUCCESSFUL CAREER.

Born on a Farm He Became a  
Leading Lawyer, Political  
Leader and Vice President—All  
the Family at His Bedside  
When Death Came.

By Telegraph to the News.  
NEW YORK, Nov. 21.—Vice-President Garret A. Hobart died at his home in Paterson, New Jersey, at 8:30 o'clock this morning.

He has been seriously ill for three months, and it was thought he was dying a month ago. Subsequently he rallied and only yesterday was able to sit up.

The members of the Hobart household were all present when the end came. He passed away quietly. His improved condition yesterday caused the announcement of his death to be a surprise.

**DIED OF HEART FAILURE.**  
Shortly before midnight Mr. Hobart awoke and spoke a few words. What they were is not disclosed; but he immediately became unconscious, and continued in a comatose state the balance of the night. The physician ascribes his death to heart failure.

**SKETCH OF HIS LIFE.**  
When Mr. Hobart's condition became critical, a statement was issued by the family, to the effect that he would never again enter political life, says a sketch in New York "Success." Heart disease was stated to be the cause of Mr. Hobart's condition. The illness of the vice president, it was stated, dated from the autumn of 1898, when trouble with his respiration was noticed. This was readily alleviated by treatment. Afterwards, more aggravated symptoms developed, and Mr. Hobart grew worse and worse, notwithstanding every effort of his physician and friends.

**FORTUNATE IN HIS MARRIAGE.**  
Mrs. Jennie Tuttle Hobart has the deep sympathy of all who know her, in her great affliction. It was in 1869, while in her eighteenth year, that the romance of her life began. It is a charming little love story, dating from the day when her father brought to his table a big-eyed young man of twenty-five, and introduced him as a law clerk whom he had just engaged. From that moment, Mr. Hobart was a well-known member of the household. She realized her destiny within a year, and became his wife. Never have two people been more genuinely fond of each other, mutual esteem forming as strong a link to bind them as the silken cords of their early love. Mr. Hobart has never failed to accord full praise to his wife for the helpful way in which she has rounded out his life, while Mrs. Hobart has naught but admiration for the splendid achievements of her husband from the struggles of early manhood.

The years have dealt kindly with Mrs. Hobart, since her marriage in 1869. She is still a very prepossessing woman, cultured, dignified and tender. Her face is well-rounded, but firm. Her self-possession and poise are admirable, her manners perfect, and she has been a great favorite in Washington society.

**MRS. HOBART'S HOME LIFE.**  
It is in her home life, however, that a woman is best judged. That is her abiding empire. Mrs. Hobart's domain is "Carroll Hall," the family residence in Paterson, New Jersey, a charming place with its wide piazzas, its big lawns and its bigger elms.

It is a restful rather than imposing house, its three stories of framework tastefully colored in gray. Its greatest value is found inside. There are some wonderfully good pictures in the gallery. The music room is a cozy retreat. The charming library is full of the best editions of the best writers. Mr. Hobart's study adjoins the library, and was a favorite resort of the Vice President.

The family life of Mrs. Hobart has had one great grief before her husband's fatal illness. A daughter, Miss Fannie, died in 1895, at the age of twenty-two. One child remains, Garret A. Hobart, Jr., a clever boy of fourteen.

**BORN ON A FARM.**  
Garret A. Hobart was born on a farm in New Jersey and had a hard struggle in early life. He wanted to be a lawyer, and he had to support

himself by his own efforts while in college. He was graduated with honor, but had to take to teaching in a court of State in many years, to make a living. He was in the law in view, and was at length admitted as clerk to the office of Socrates Tuttle, the well-known and successful lawyer, whose daughter, Jennie, subsequently became Mr. Hobart's wife.

Mr. Hobart soon proved himself to be thoroughly qualified for the practice of law. He associated himself more especially with that branch of the profession relating to large combinations of capital. His nomination for vice presidential candidate on the Republican ticket in 1896 was warmly supported by the corporate interests whose faithful friend and adviser he had been for many years.

**PLANNED GREAT UNDERTAKING.**  
Mr. Hobart's ability as a lawyer has been chiefly shown in planning great business undertakings. In this, and in political work requiring foresight and shrewdness of a similar character, he has had no superior, in his own time, at least. He has always been noted also for his liberality in giving valuable advice and pecuniary aid to deserving persons.

Mr. Hobart carefully husbanded his wealth, and became very rich by shrewd investments and the strict business methods which he followed in all his dealings, always standing firmly on his legal rights. When elected Vice President he was a man of large fortune, and apparently in the best of health, although he had reached middle age. He seemed, indeed, to have achieved a position in which he could regard himself as above ordinary cares and responsibilities, and he prepared to enjoy life from the standpoint of one of the great ones of the earth.

Mr. Hobart has not been the nonentity that vice presidents usually have been, while holding that office. Being akin to the wife of Senator Hanna, of Ohio, his relations with Mr. Hanna have always been most cordial, and President McKinley also has treated him as an intimate friend and adviser.

**LEADERS OF SOCIETY.**  
The Hobarts have been social leaders of society in Washington, as in Paterson, and have used their wealth freely in entertainments and social functions.

The serious illness of Mr. Hobart was, for a long time, kept from the public, until at last the facts could no longer be withheld. To the Republican party this visitation is of the most serious consequence. Mr. Hobart managed the campaign of 1896, and was responsible for many of the plans credited to his kinsman by marriage, Mark Hanna. He was looked to for similar services in 1900, and his absence from party councils will make a vacancy, difficult, if not impossible, to fill.

### COTTON BUYER INJURED

#### Mr. J. M. Geer Falls From Moving Train and Breaks His Leg.

A very serious accident occurred on the Southern railroad yesterday afternoon a short distance below Greenville, S. C. Mr. J. M. Geer, a well-known cotton buyer, attempting to board a fast moving freight train lost his balance and was thrown violently to the tracks. In falling Mr. Geer caught one of his legs between the cross-ties and the member was badly broken. Mr. Geer attributes the accident to his carelessness and says no one is to blame save himself. The injured man was brought to Greenville on the Northbound Vestibule yesterday afternoon. He was resting quietly this morning.

The accident is greatly deplored by Mr. Geer's many Charlotte friends. He is well known in this city and all of our cotton men speak in the highest terms of him. At present Mr. Geer is buying cotton for the Piedmont Mills, of Piedmont, S. C.

### HIS ANNUAL VISIT.

Capt. Fred Nash left this morning on his annual trip to Hillsboro, his old home. His visit this year will be doubly enjoyable, on account of the presence of his brother, Mr. Edward Nash, of New York, who is also visiting the place of his birth. The News wishes Capt. Nash a most pleasant visit.

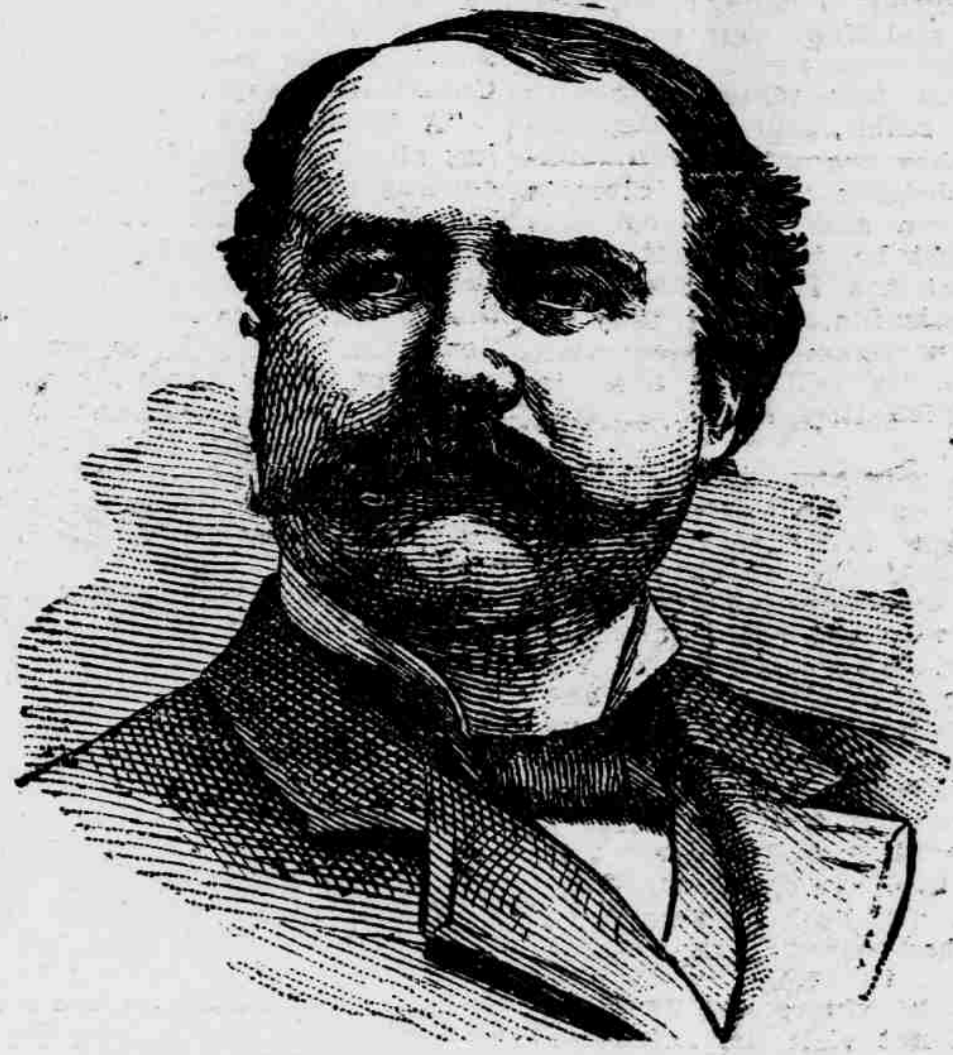
### A REPORT CORRECTED.

The report that Motorman DeArmon, employed by the Street Railway Company, and who committed suicide yesterday, was in financial straits, is incorrect. He received a fair salary, owned a house on which \$600 had been paid; and he had \$35 to his credit with the company. This is stated on the authority of the 4 C's Company.

### IN ABBOTT'S FAVOR.

Special to the News.

**RALEIGH, Nov. 21.**—The Supreme Court decides in Abbott's favor for Railroad Commissioner.



VICE PRESIDENT HOBART WHO DIED THIS MORNING.

### BATTLE WITH WOMEN.

#### Fought Policemen, Miners and Pump Workers.

By Telegraph to the News.

**WILKESBARRE, Pa., Nov. 21.**—The wives and mothers of the striking miners in the Nanticoke and Glen Lyon districts at a meeting yesterday determined to induce the non-union miners who had taken the places of the strikers, to quit work. The women waited at the mouth of the shaft last night for the non-union men and induced some of them to promise to go away. This morning the pump runners at the Nanticoke mines were opposed by crowds of women. There were several fights.

Constable Corrison fired at a number of women, and wounded a boy. One woman knocked a special policeman senseless, with a rolling pin, and injured him severely. The women surrounded the mouths of all three of the collieries. In starting the pumps there was a running fight clear through, and some succeeded by the aid of policemen after a severe scratching. The women were armed with rolling pins, pokers and clubs. They say they will not let a man of the night shaft go to work. Trouble is expected.

### ROUND BALES HERE.

#### A Number of Them Stored in the Charlotte Bonded Warehouse.

Messrs. Chas. E. Johnson and Co., cotton merchants, of Raleigh, yesterday, through their representative here, Mr. J. H. Weathers, stored in the Charlotte Bonded Warehouse, 155 round bales of cotton, shipped from the plant located at Goldville, S. C.; 143 bales weighing 37,835 lbs., came in one car, S. and R. No. 3033, being equal in weight to 84 of the square bales, and it would have taken over three cars to have brought them in that shape. It would have taken two cars to have brought the compressed bales.

This cotton is being stored for the mills in this section, who are anxious to try the American Cotton Co.'s bale.

### THE NEW GRADED SCHOOL.

Work on the new graded school on the corner of Ninth and Brevard streets has begun in earnest. The work of excavating is now going on. The city has decided to utilize the city force of hands as much as possible in the work and so they are now engaged here at present in excavating for the basement and foundation of the school building.

The lumber and brick for the building will begin to be hauled about the first of November.

Charlotte people who have been so interested in this building will be pleased to know that the work is progressing so rapidly under the direction of the committee.

### FRYE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

By Telegraph to the News.

**WASHINGTON, Nov. 21.**—By the death of Hobart the Vice-Presidency becomes vacant for the rest of President McKinley's term, as the law provides no successor. The President pro tem of the Senate will be elected by that body upon the assembling of Congress to hold office until March, 1901. Frye, of Maine, now holds the office of president until his successor is chosen. He will undoubtedly succeed himself.

### MR. CURRY'S FINE SINGING.

Mr. J. C. Curry, who conducted the singing at Trinity church Sunday, made a fine impression on all who heard him.

His leadership is unexcelled, while his solos are beautifully rendered. Mr. Curry has had a large experience in this work.

### OFF FOR CHARLESTON.

#### Eighteen of the Nobles Left the City This Morning.

Eighteen Nobles of the Mystic Shrine left Charlotte this morning over the Southern for Charleston to attend the special meeting that will be held in the "City by the Sea" tomorrow. A special car was provided by the company for the Charlotte delegation and everything for their comfort was arranged.

The Charleston Evening Post, in speaking of the coming of the Masons, says:

"The Oasis Temple of the Ancient and Accepted Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine will meet in Charleston Wednesday, when the first annual South Carolina session will be held."

"Charlotte" will be invaded on this occasion by a host of Nobles from Charlotte, N. C. They will leave Charlotte on Tuesday morning and after hobnobbing with the Columbia Nobles they will come on to Charleston. The visiting Mystic Shriners will be entertained royally by the local members. They will be given an excursion around the harbor and into the suburbs on Wednesday, and at night they will be entertained with a banquet at the German Artillery Hall.

"The order is composed entirely of Masons of the thirty-second and thirty-third degrees. Masons below this degree can not be received into the order."

### ELKS' RECEPTION.

#### Invitations Issued to the Reception to be Given Friday Night.

The Elks' invitations to their "house warming" have been issued. They read as follows:

The Board of Governors of the Elks' Club request the honor of your presence at the opening of their Temple, Friday evening, November twenty-fourth, eighteen hundred and ninety-nine, from 8 to 12 o'clock, Charlotte, N. C.

About one thousand of the above have been sent out in the city and nearby towns. It will be an occasion of general rejoicing with the members of this order and their friends, who are legion. The handsome new temple is now complete and it is furnished with the prettiest and most elaborate furnishings of any lodge rooms in the South. The order has abundant reason to rejoice over the success that has crowned their efforts. The large number of invited guests will, with few exceptions, be present Friday evening to wish the order a continuance of that measure of success that has been meted out to them in the past.

### CAR GLASS SMASHED.

Rock throwers got in some good work on the Southern last night. Special car "Monaco," which was attached to train No. 33, that arrived in Charlotte this morning, came in with one of the window panes shattered. The car was occupied by Mr. Hitchcock and party, who were en route to Aiken, S. C., from New York. The accident occurred this morning about 2 o'clock, when the train was nearing Lynchburg. Fortunately, the big rock did no damage to the occupants of the car.

### COMING HOME TO ATTEND THE MARRIAGE.

Messrs. James and Lester Keerans have arrived in the city, the former from the Dental College of Baltimore, the latter from Texas.

They have come to Charlotte to attend the Keerans-Oates wedding. Mr. James Keerans will return home Saturday and Sunday.

### THE PARK CONVENTION.

#### Charlotte Sends Two Delegates to the Asheville Meeting.

Col. H. C. Eccles and Mr. S. Wittkowsky left today at noon for Asheville. They go to attend a convention of delegates from all over the South, which has for its object the establishment of a park in Western North Carolina similar to the Yellowstone National Park, which covers a large area of several Western States.

The convention will not be composed wholly of Southern delegates. There has of late sprung up in the North a decided feeling in favor of the establishment of such a park in Western North Carolina and it is understood that the promoters of the scheme have been given to understand that the North is entirely in sympathy with the move.

The project as first outlined is a mammoth one and will require much labor, but there is no section in the whole Union of States that is better suited for such a purpose, or better fitted by nature.

The News learns that the scheme will have the endorsement of Mr. Geo. Vanderbilt, who has done so much to beautify a section of this beautiful portion of the Old North State.

### WESTCOTT-BROOKS.

#### Marriage of a Popular Couple This Evening.

At the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Brooks, on North Poplar street this evening, Miss Nellie Brooks and Mr. M. J. Westcott will be united in marriage. Rev. W. A. Wynne, of Graham Street church, will officiate.

It will be a quiet home wedding, only the families of the contracting parties and a few invited friends will be present.

After the marriage a wedding supper will be served.

The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Brooks. She is a native of Philadelphia, having moved to this city with her parents about five years ago. She is an unusually bright young lady and has made many friends since her residence here. She has always been foremost in church work and is regarded as one of the most pious young ladies of this city.

She has a host of friends who wish her much happiness in her married life.

The groom moved to Charlotte about six months ago from Elmira, N. Y. He holds a responsible position at the Charlotte Steam Laundry, and is held in the highest esteem by all who know him. He is a young man of splendid business ability and is deserving of the prize he will win this evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Westcott will make their home at the Arlington for the present, at least.

### COTTON ABOUT PINEVILLE.

#### 'Squire Hoey Gins 425 Bales Against 600 Last Year.

'Squire Hoey, from Below Pineville, is in town today. He gives some interesting figures relative to the amount of cotton ginned by him this year as compared with last year's work. Up to date last year he ginned 600 bales while up to date this year 'Squire Hoey has ginned only 425 bales. This gives a crop of about 66 per cent as compared with last year. These figures would indicate that the crop in Pineville neighborhood was possibly a little better than that around Charlotte. 'Squire Hoey suggests that the difference in the soil would account for this.

He suggests further that while the corn yield this year is smaller in number of ears still the crop is as valuable as last years from the fact that many ears last year rotted before they were harvested.

### 1,000 INSURGENTS KILLED

#### In a Battle With Government Troops Near Bogota.

By Telegraph to the News.  
**PANAMA, Nov. 21.**—Dispatches from Bogota, United States of Colombia, dated the 18th, report a two days' battle in which the government troops overcame ten thousand insurgents near Bucarranga, and defeated them with great slaughter. Ten thousand were engaged on each side. The rebels lost one thousand killed, two thousand wounded; the government loss is not stated.

### MR. DEARMON'S FUNERAL.

The funeral of Mr. L. W. DeArmon took place in Mallard Creek this morning at 11 o'clock, the services being conducted by Rev. Roger Martin. The body was moved to the undertaking establishment of D. N. Cashlon & Company yesterday and prepared for burial, and in the afternoon it was removed to the country.

### NO MINES DESTROYED

#### Boers are Working Mines to Aid Fight for Transvaal's Independence.

### BRITISH CAPTURE 500 BOERS.

#### Three Hundred Said to Have Been Killed in the Fight of the 15th at Ladysmith—Boers Capture Campbell and Other Towns.

By Telegraph to the News.  
**LONDON, Nov. 21.**—The Standard and Digger News denies that the Transvaal government is destroying the gold mines. It says that on the contrary, it is working them; and the gold is utilized to defend the independence of the Transvaal. It will be repaid at the end of the war. European shareholders may rest confident that no mines will be ruined.

### FRONTIER TOWNS ANNEXED.

**CAPE TOWN, Nov. 16.** (Delayed in transmission.)—The Boer commanders have annexed the frontier towns, paying store-keepers in signed slips. They never tender money in payment for an article; and in other ways are endeavoring to continue their regime under the flags of the Transvaal and Free State. They declare that four hundred joined the Boers since occupation of the frontier towns. A man from Vryburg arrived this morning. They say ever since yesterday morning they have passed troops going up the country. Trains loaded with stores and ammunition are waiting at sidings to go north.

### MOST COMPLETE REPORT MADE.

**CAPE TOWN, Nov. 20.** (Delayed in transmission.)—A dispatch from Orange River says copies of the most complete map ever printed in the field are daily furnished the British staff, and reports are printed in camp after reconnaissances and surveys have been made. The reports are on an elaborate scale and are very detailed.

It is stated that the river Bethulie has risen twelve feet since the recent rains.

### CAMPBELL OCCUPIED.

**CAPE TOWN, Nov. 21.**—The town of Campbell, Griqualand West, was occupied by the Boers on the 15th.

### BEST COURT CAPTURED 500 BOERS.

**BEST COURT, Nov. 21.**—The details of the fight reported to have occurred at Ladysmith on the fifteenth have been received. The Boers north of the town began the forward movement, but were checked by the British with the naval guns and Maxims. The British then advanced attacking the Boers' flank and forced them to retire. The Boers were subjected to a galling fire. It is reported that they lost three hundred killed and five hundred captured.

### BOERS ATTACK KIMBERLEY.

**KIMBERLEY, Nov. 17.** (Delayed in transmission.) The Boers attacked at day-break, but were easily repulsed. The British lost two wounded.

### ADVANCING ON ESTCOURT.

**DURBAN, Nov. 21.**—Jobert is advancing on Estcourt, but up to last night the town had not been occupied.

### BOERS MOVING ON NATAL'S CAPITAL.

**PIETERMARITZBURG, Nov. 21.** (Noon.)—Intelligence reached here this morning that the Boers are advancing with artillery on the Mooi River, twenty-one miles south of Estcourt and twenty-five north of Pietermaritzburg. Fighting is eminent.

### CLOSE AFTER AGUINALDO.

#### Cavalry Pushing the Insurgent Leader and His Staff.

By Telegraph to the News.  
**MANILA, Nov. 21.**—The gunboat "Helena," which arrived today with the crew of the "Charleston," reports that, while passing Lingayen, the battleship "Oregon" signalled that Aguinaldo was making north with twelve officers, and that a troop of cavalry pursued them. The "Oregon" also signalled that Lawton and Wheaton had connected.

### CONSULTING HIS ATTORNEIES.

Mr. C. V. Hinkle, of the firm of Hinkle, Craig & Co., who do a large livery and sale business in several North Carolina towns, was in Charlotte today consulting his attorneys, Messrs. Burwell, Walker and Candler. News readers will remember that the above firm has been sued by Capt. A. G. Brenizer for \$5,000 on account of injuries received by Mrs. Brenizer while at Blowing Rock last summer. One of Mr. Hinkle's attorneys informed a News reporter this morning that the case will, in all probability, be heard at the January term of Mecklenburg Superior Court.