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NO. 44.

## THE LATE MAJ. GINTER.

SOMETHING OF THE LIFE AND CHARACTERS OF THE MAN.

An Interesting and Wonderfully Successful Career—One of the Pioneer Cigarette Manufacturers—His Possessions in and Around Richmond—Generous in His Charities and Liberal in Expenditures for Public Improvements.



### Do You Use It?

It's the best thing for the hair under all circumstances. Just as no man by taking thought can add an inch to his stature, so no preparation can make hair. The utmost that can be done is to promote conditions favorable to growth. This is done by Ayer's Hair Vigor. It removes dandruff, cleanses the scalp, nourishes the soil in which the hair grows, and just as a desert will blossom under rain, so bald heads grow hair when the roots are nourished. But the roots must be there. If you wish your hair to retain its normal color, or if you wish to restore the lost tint of gray or faded hair use Ayer's Hair Vigor.

The following brief sketch of the life and business success and achievements of the late Maj. Lewis Ginter, is furnished by the Richmond correspondent of the Baltimore Sun. As the dead man was financially interested in Henderson property and was personally known to many of our readers the article will be read with increased interest no doubt.

Major Lewis Ginter's wonderful success in life and his acquisitions of a fortune variously estimated at from seven to ten million dollars is an interesting story. From a poor youth, who started here in the forties, struggling for existence, he had risen to be the wealthiest man in the whole South, an important factor in the most powerful corporation in this country and the largest owner of realty in Virginia. Through all of his life, whether in comparative poverty or as a man of abundant wealth and influence, Major Ginter always deserved and commanded the highest respect of his fellowmen.

Major Ginter was born in New York on April 24th, 1824. His father died in his infancy and left him to the care of his elder sister, Mrs. Arents, by whom he was reared. His family were Dutch, who very early emigrated from Amsterdam to New York and became people of some note in that city.

When seventeen years old he found his way to Richmond and secured employment as a clerk. By rigid economy and attention to business a few years later he was enabled to start in life for himself. Several years before the civil war began he became a member of the wholesale notion house of Ginter, Alvey & Arents, which did a prosperous business until the beginning of hostilities.

AN OFFICER IN CONFEDERATE ARMY.

Soon after the breaking out of the war his executive ability and recognized business capacity easily secured for him an appointment of trust and responsibility in the Confederate quartermaster's department here. Afterward he was made quartermaster of Gen. Joseph R. Anderson's command, with the rank of Major. He surrendered with Gen. Lee at Appomattox Court House.

THANKED BY STONEWALL JACKSON.

When Gen. Jackson made his celebrated flank movement around Pope in 1862, after the army left Rappahannock river and on the first day's march to Salem, he found that the army was very short of food, and he directed Maj. Ginter and sent him forward, protected by a number of Black-Horse cavalry, to ask the city to send food to the troops. The people were almost without meat and bread, the Federals having stolen nearly everything, neither had they horses sufficient to carry the little food they had to the troops. They hitched up their ox carts, however, and emptied their meat-houses and storerooms into them, and Major Ginter led them back to the column as it passed by. General Jackson thanked Major Ginter that night for his wonderful efficiency, and recognized that both he and the people of Salem had done good service to the Confederate cause that day. For years, whenever any members of the old Georgia Brigade came to Richmond they were entertained by Major Ginter, and renewed their old army acquaintanceship with the gallant Major, with expressions of great enthusiasm and love for him.

twelve months ago, leaving a fortune of about \$2,000,000. The new firm rapidly developed their business until their cigarettes were known and sold in every market of the world. They established agencies and representatives throughout the leading markets of Europe, Africa, Asia, Australia and South America.

When the American Tobacco Company was formed Mr. Ginter's house became one of its most important members. Mr. Ginter was made one of the directors of the corporation and his partner, Mr. Pope, the general manager of the Richmond establishment.

OTHER POSSESSIONS.

Besides his American Tobacco stock, his possessions consist of the most valuable real estate in Richmond and its suburbs. Despite the fluctuating prices and the disposition to speculate in the stock of the American Company, Mr. Ginter, his friends say, never indulged in any speculation in these securities. He has done more toward improving and beautifying the suburbs of Virginia's capital than any other man within its limits. His most conspicuous realty here are the magnificent Jefferson Hotel, completed and opened about two years ago at a cost probably of a million and half dollars; his city residence on Franklin street, the most select and fashionable thoroughfare here, and his country home. The urban residence is by long odds the handsomest in the whole South, with the exception of that of Mr. Vanderbilt, of Baltimore, N. C.

HIS BEST MONUMENTS.

The magnificent city structures which Major Ginter has caused to be erected here by his means the best monuments which he leaves. The lavish and judicious expenditures on Richmond's suburbs are equally memorable. His investments and improvements on the Brook road, for miles around his country home, possibly amount to more than two million dollars. This thoroughfare, which before the war was but an indifferently kept one, is now macadamized for a distance of five miles, and is one of the finest in the whole country. Hand-some and costly villas line it, and the scene presents to the eyes something wonderfully like fairyland. Here the deceased has spent hundreds of thousands of dollars in establishing a pleasant park and in the construction of an electric railway, which connects it and the surrounding country with the city.

CHIEF OBJECT IN LIFE.

Maj. Ginter's chief object in life was to build up the interests of the city of Richmond as far as he possibly could. He gave employment to more people than any one else ever lived here. Nearly 4,000 people were fed daily by wages earned from his cigarette factory. He often was heard to say that he had made all his money in Richmond and intended to spend it here. The largest of all his plans was the erection of the Jefferson, which has become world-famous as one of the finest and most beautiful hotels known to the travelling public.

PERSONAL APPEARANCE AND TRAITS.

In person Major Ginter was rather below the average stature, slightly built, with naturally a quick, active movement indicative of purpose—of some great purpose in life which, if not always before his mind, was ever present as an inspiration. His countenance was strongly expressive, both of intelligence and benignity. His conversational resources, when drawn out, were rich and very instructive, for he was not only a practical man, but one that was both varied and thorough. One thing he was pre-eminent, that is his rigorous punctuality to engagements, springing from his acute sense of justice to others. He would not no man, no more so of his time than his money. He was never behind the hour appointed for an engagement, nor did he linger after the business was accomplished.

GENEROUS IN HIS CHARITIES.

On the Hermitage road and not far from Maj. Ginter's home stands the heroic statue of Lieut.-Gen. Ambrose P. Hill. This was erected by money generously donated by the wealthy cigarette manufacturer. He has always been generous in his contributions to all charitable and other good causes. He was a liberal contributor to the Lee monument fund, and was expected to be that for the erection of a memorial to ex-President Davis. Major Ginter was never an active politician, though at times he manifested a lively interest in the campaigns. In some of these he gave liberally to the Democratic fund.

## COMING

### W. H. HARRIS' WORLD-FAMOUS NICKEL PLATE SHOWS

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Elephants, Lions, Tigers, Ponies, Acrobats, Aerialists, Wire Walkers, Jugglers, AND—

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SEE "BARNEY," THE SMALLEST ELEPHANT ON EARTH.

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Doors open one hour earlier.

at once its strength and beauty, was the absolute supremacy of the moral sentiments. One of his oldest friends remarked the other day that he never heard him utter a profane or unchaste word. Another trait, which none who knew him can ever forget, was an inexorable sense of duty, which allowed no concession to indolence or self-indulgence, no discrimination between one class of duties and another which knew no grades in obligations. It did not spend itself in occasional acts of conspicuous heroism to duties with which even common nature may be inspired, but it was evidenced equally in an unvaried attention to the dry, routine exactions of daily life. Formal, but not severe, stately without pomp, dignified without severity, formidable in his self-reliance and reticence, individual, positive, scrupulous and exact, but neither aggressive nor caustic. The personality of Maj. Ginter although it impressed many of his acquaintances as exclusive and cold, was sincere, manly, gentle and even tender. He had strong convictions. He was uncompromising. He never flattered anybody, and he never assumed a cordiality that he did not feel. His temper was urbane, but when offended by frivolity, incompetence or sycophantic flattery—three things he especially detested—he would express contempt and scorn with energetic indignation and righteous vehemence.

GOVERNOR O'FERRILL'S TRIBUTE.

On being informed of the death of Major Ginter, Governor O'Ferrill said:

"Major Ginter's death is a public calamity. Not only will Richmond feel it, but the State. No man in my opinion, who has ever lived in Virginia contributed more to her business welfare.

"His success was wonderful, and in it he displayed a public spirit which made him a benefactor indeed.

"But it was not only the promotion of business enterprises that made his success a blessing. His charity was boundless, soothing and healing; he not only had pity for distress, but he relieved it, yet it was all done silently and unostentatiously. While I would not dare question the ways of Him Who doeth all things well, to the human understanding, it would seem that such a man as he was ought to live always. From many an humble home which he had brightened there will come no flowers to bedeck his bier, but a deeper tribute will be paid his memory by the flowing tears.

"He was a man of remarkable mental vigor, and being a close observer and great observer his mind was a storehouse of useful knowledge.

"His hospitality was as unlimited as wealth. In the social circles he was most companionable, his genial nature and conversational powers making him most attractive in any social gathering.

"From the time I came to Richmond to live until last winter, when his health failed him, his courtesies and kindnesses to me were so marked that I shall never cease to remember him most tenderly."

MOTHERS PRAISE HOOD'S SARSAPARILLA, BE CAUSE, BY ITS GREAT BLOOD ENRICHING QUALITIES, IT GIVES ROY CHEEKS AND VIGOROUS APPETITES TO PALE AND PUNY CHILDREN.

Hood's Pills are the favorite family cathartic and liver medicine. Price 25c.

Some of us have more ups and downs in this world than others, but when we get to the cemetery we will all be on a dead level.

A nice Line of Hercules Trimmings at H. THOMASON'S.

## The Negro as an Obstacle.

(Biblical Recorder.)

The colored man will be with us of the South always. His tribe now numbers 7,000,000; his increase is about 200,000 annually. To send him back to Africa is impossible and not to be considered; and if it were not it would be utterly impracticable. To colonize him in this country is also both impossible and impracticable. An amalgamation is losing ground instead of gaining, which is vastly to the credit of our country. So the colored man is here to stay. We must take account of him, we must reckon on him.

Since the gates of Eden closed on Adam and Eve no greater calamity has befallen a people than that which was thrust upon the stricken South by the act giving 7,000,000 slaves, sons of generations of slaves, the right of franchise. From that day until now the course of the Southern people has been a desperate struggle up-grade against odds that would have daunted a less valiant race. Politically we are where we were three decades ago. No reforms could be initiated, no advanced positions be taken, because every year and hour the slightest disaffection would throw 10,000 colored voters into ascendency, take a sample instance. The editor of the *Biblical Recorder*, now gathered to his fathers, was denounced and abused throughout North Carolina because he would not advocate a Prohibition party. Those who knew him knew why he was silent. He knew that to advocate the Prohibition party would divide the white people, and the colored voters would rise to power. He preferred liquor selling with honorable white men in office, to liquor selling with incompetent colored men and representatives of them in power. His position was sound.

This is only one instance. Hundreds might be named. For ever reform creates division, every new idea causes disaffection. And in consequence the larger element of the white people in the South are politically the slowest in the world to move. And it will be so long as there is the almost inevitable consequence that to initiate a change will turn the country over to an incompetent and unworthy regime.

Without another word it is clear that the negro is an obstacle; clear that inevitably the Southern country must be retarded in her political progress so long as he is an obstacle. It is clear that he is here to stay. What then? Disfranchisement. It is the only hope. There is but one ground that will reach the mark and that is Illiteracy. It is a good one; it will stand the test of common sense and plain reason and right. Is it impracticable? It cannot be. Is it impracticable? It cannot be. One year or two years may not achieve the end, but it is worth a decade of struggle. Other issues pale into insignificance beside this; they should not be suffered to interfere. If the unintelligent vote of North Carolina could be eliminated the State could then address herself with a single eye to the needs of the people.

## WHEN I GO HOME.

CECIL JOYCE.

When I go home, beloved, in the darkness,  
I dream of all our meeting there will be.  
Or hear the mystery thy soul has fathomed,  
And smiling weep, and weeping, sob with gladness,  
At that dear thought—when I go home to thee.

When I go home—when I go home, beloved—  
How shall I tell thee all I have to say,  
Or hear the mystery thy soul has fathomed,  
Since last I kissed thy lips that chill, still day?

And it seems that words shall be too narrow,  
When I shall feel thy touch upon my hair,  
Shall feel thy lips kiss down my tired eyelids,  
And know and clasp thee waiting faithful there.

For oh, the pain of all the bitter parting  
Shall float away upon the vanished tears,  
And in the gladness of that great home-coming,  
I shall not feel the weight of these grim years.

I shall forget the days of weary weeping,  
I shall not know the nights of hungry pain,  
For light and love shall wear their golden garments,  
When faintest my heart thy heart shall beat again.

No dazzling height I ask, no crown super-  
nal,  
To greet my soul when it stands shrunken,  
No gleaming robes—for me the highest Heaven,  
Just to go home, beloved, home to thee!

Confusion as to the choice of a blood purifier is unnecessary. There is but one best Sarsaparilla, and that is Ayer's. This important fact was recognized at the World's Fair, Chicago, 1893, being the only blood-purifier admitted to be placed on exhibition.

## A Grandmother at 34.

Mrs. Sarah Davidson, of 34 East Seventy-second street, New York, is only 34 years old, but she is the grandmother of Baby Beatrice Britz, who arrived in this strange world about a week ago. Mrs. Davidson good humoredly speaks of herself as "the youngest grandmother" of the metropolis. She was a wife at 13 and a mother at 14. Her daughter Mrs. Julia Britz, is now 20. Mrs. Davidson herself looks to be about 25. She has all the beauty and grace of a young matron—in fact, she would pass for a belle.

## Free Pills.

Send your address to H. E. Backen & Co., Chicago, and get a free sample box of Dr. King's New Life Pills. A trial will convince you of their merits. These pills are easy in action and particularly effective in the cure of Constipation and sick headache. For Malaria and Liver troubles they have been proved invaluable. They are guaranteed to be perfectly free from any deleterious substance and to be purely vegetable. They do not weaken by their action but by giving tone to stomach and bowels greatly invigorate the system. Regular size 25c per box. Sold by M. Dorsey, Druggist.

## Elements of Success.

(Hartford Globe.)

The element of success in mercantile life seems to be these: First, have something that people want; second, stand ready to sell your goods at reasonable prices; and third, and most important of all, let the general public know what you have for sale and the price. A merchant may have the best goods in the world and stand ready to sell at prices actually below cost, and if no one knows about it his goods may grow fast to his counters. Newspaper advertising is the best method of communication between merchant and customer.

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## PHILOSOPHY OF LIFE.

FACE YOUR FATE BRAVELY AND EVEN FATE WILL SURRENDER.

Daily Toil the Choicest of Blessings  
Instead of a Curse—Without it the World Would Wreck Itself in a Generation—Thank God For the Trials and Struggles of Life—Religion Consists in Making Ourselves Little and God Great.

(New York Herald.)

For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.—Matthew, xi, 30.

How was it possible for Him to make such an assertion as that? Judged by ordinary rules His life was a wretched failure. Without domestic ties, not having where to lay His head, distrusted by friends and prosecuted by enemies, it seems incredible that he should speak of His burden as light. In a similar environment we should regard our burden as too heavy to be borne.

Such a statement made by such a personage under such circumstances may well give us pause. There must be a philosophy, a whole system of philosophy, under it, and it may well be called the Philosophy of Life.

We have been wondering for untold ages how to make our days and years more comfortable and more productive of personal happiness, but have reached no solution of the problem. We have had thousands of theories, and they have all failed to accomplish the purpose. We have groped in the dark like blind men, but we have not reduced the sorrows which we must needs suffer to a scientific and practical basis. On the contrary, after this long lapse of time, we do not know what the under side of human existence means. We find it impossible to get near enough to God either to see His face or to understand His plan.

We talk very foolishly about having outgrown Christianity, and yet here is one of the primary principles of the white people in the South are politically the slowest in the world to move. And it will be so long as there is the almost inevitable consequence that to initiate a change will turn the country over to an incompetent and unworthy regime.

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## PHILOSOPHY OF LIFE.

may prick us with its thorns, but the sight of the house which is to be our home makes the wound less easy to bear. Loved ones are standing in the doorway, but there is dust in our eyes and we cannot see them.

If we can stand in that attitude toward eternal truth the yoke will be easy and the burden light.—George H. Hepworth.

## THE DANGER

to which the Expectant Mother is exposed and the wound which she looks forward to the hour of woman's severest trial is appreciated by but few. All effort should be made to smooth these rugged places in life's pathway for her, ere she presses to her bosom her babe.

## MOTHER'S FRIEND

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