MANHATTANISMS.

CORNELIUS J. VANDERBILT'S PECULIAR RELATIONS TO HORACE GREELEY.

Financial Surprises of the Great Journalist's Estate—Notorious Fifth Avenue Mansion Transformed—Gossip

[Correspondence of the RECORD-UNION.]

NEW YORK, April 16, 1882.

The suicide of Cornelius J. Vanderbilt, about which people are still talking, simply because he was the brother of the richest man, probably, in all America, recalls his relation to Horace Greeley as a persistent bore and borrower. Cornelius J. was most unfortunate in respect of physical and mental qualities, and gave his family so much trouble for many years that its members were doubtless relieved by the news of his self-destruction. It sounds cynical, though it is strictly true, that almost the only fact connected with such a man that can be welcome to his kindred is his death. He was frequently confounded with Cornelius Vanderbilt, William H. Vanderbilt's eldest son, and the favorite grandson of the old Commodore; and as the younger man is as unlike his uncle as possible, the confusion of names was the reverse of pleasant to the former. Vanderbilt is at least

A GOOD NAME TO BORROW MONEY ON,

As Cornelius J. very early discovered; but he used it so freely in this way, without troubling himself about payment, that it soon ceased to benefit him. His father repeatedly settled his obligations; but finding that he was a confirmed gambler, he told the acquaintances of his son that anybody who lent him money must lend it on his own responsibility. About this time, Cornelius J. formed a close intimacy, on his side, with Horace Greeley, who, as his friends well know, had no capacity to get rid of importunate or adhesive people of any kind. Anybody could get almost anything out of Greeley, from the contents of his pocket-book to an editorial in the *Tribune*, who would stick to him. Although Vanderbilt had but limited intelligence, he had enough to detect this peculiarity in the illustrious journalist. He literally haunted him, not in his private office alone, but everywhere. He plied him with questions which were so frankly answered that he was advised beforehand of all the editor's movements. If the latter were going to Albany or Washington on some political errand, he would be sure to find him on the train. If he were bound for Rochester to attend an agricultural fair, or for Chicago to lecture, Vanderbilt would be at the station before him, ready to accompany him, if need be, to the ends of the earth.

Many asked, "Why does Greeley permit himself to be saddled with that fellow, who is totally uninteresting; who cannot talk, nor tell a story, nor sing a song?"

Probably the journalist could not have explained the mystery himself. Cornelius J. pursued him, and he submitted to the pursuit. Of course, the leech was all this while borrowing money, in small sums and large sums. As he had previously exhausted his credit in other quarters, the journalist became his main dependence.

The old Commodore having heard that his graceless son was employing the editor of the *Tribune* as he had employed so many others, he was annoyed by the intelligence, especially as he had taken pains to advertise the fact that he would not pay any more of his boy's debts. Consequently, he one day entered the journalist's den, accessible through the counting-room of the old *Tribune* building, and found him tilted up, as usual, in his chair, scratching away at manuscript as if he had not a second to spare.

"Mr. Greeley, I understand you are lending my son, Cornelius, money."

No response. Scratch, scratch, scratch.

"I don't want you or anybody to lend him money. I allow him enough to live on comfortably; but he gambles, and whatever he gets does him no good."

"DO YOU HEAR ME, MR. GREELEY?"

Scratch, scratch, scratch; the journalist never lifting his head.

The Commodore grew angry; he was not accustomed to such treatment. "I want you to know, Mr. Greeley," he resumed, "that I won't pay a cent of any of Cornelius' debts."

Scratch, scratch, scratch. Then, without looking up, the editor said in his well-known treble, "Who the devil asked you to?"

The Commodore rushed out of the room, perfectly amazed that a poor devil, as he regarded Greeley to be, should be indifferent to, even scornful of, his millions.

Some persons were wont to say, during Greeley's life, that he had a weakness for wealth. Nothing could be more untrue. His weakness was the other way. His intimates have heard him declare more than once, "I hate a rich man."

Cornelius J. had borrowed more than $60,000 of the *Tribune's* chief at the time of the latter's death; and yet the lender was perfectly cognizant of his notorious reputation. The Commodore, hearing after Greeley's death that his two daughters lacked ready means, volunteered to give them $5,000 each in first mortgage 6 per cent. Harlem Railroad bonds—not, he said, that he owed the estate anything, but out of regard to their father's memory.

That regard was due, I am confident, to the snubbing he got from Greeley on the occasion mentioned in the *Tribune* office. The Commodore could not repress his respect for a hard-working journalist who could afford to despise one of the richest men of the nineteenth century.

As is well known, Cornelius J., when he received $1,000,000 from the compromise of his suit with William H. Vanderbilt, nearly two years ago, discharged, contrary to all expectation, his debt to Horace Greeley, with interest.

How much the *Tribune* philosopher would be surprised, were he conscious of the occurrences in this world, to learn that the money he had lent to Cornelius J. Vanderbilt had been returned; that a lot of wild land in Western Virginia which all his friends scolded him for buying, just after the war, had latterly been sold to advantage, and that the "solid" *Tribune* shares—he owned seventeen, I believe—has not paid a dollar of dividend since his death—a period of more than ten years—which is less important now that one of his daughters has just died. He would not, I am sure, have exchanged one share of the stock for the Vanderbilt debt and the West Virginia land included. Investments are as uncertain as politicians.

Walking through Fifth avenue, yesterday, I observed that the house at the northeast corner of Fifty-second street is being turned into an apartment-house. That once notorious dwelling has already lost much of its notoriety, so rapidly does New York move, so soon are its events forgotten. It was for years the residence of Madame Restell, who there plied her hideous trade, and there, through some wild terror of the law she had always braved,

CUT HER THROAT FROM EAR TO EAR.

She bought several adjoining lots through an unknown agent when that part of the avenue was uptown, and on the corner lot she put up a showy, flaming structure which long drew the eyes of masculine passers-by, while New York women never seemed to see it. It blasted real estate, in the immediate vicinity, for years. If it had been a source of plague, it could not have been more avoided. Solitary and shunned, it stood; the adjacent lots remaining vacant. Nobody would purchase them; they had no price; the ill-fame of that woman had blighted the entire block. When she committed suicide, she emphasized her crimes, and added to the horror of the place.

Before her death a shrewd man bought three lots adjoining her house, and decided to erect on them a handsome apartment-house, believing that a number of families would live where a single family would not, as if the supposed dishonor of a locality, by being shared, would be in some manner canceled. He was right. His apartment-house, the Osborne, rented readily at high prices, although if designed for one family alone, it would have remained untenanted for an indefinite time. Now the Restell mansion, as it was formerly called, is also to be converted into an apartment-house, and it will doubtless bring in a handsome revenue after its transformation. But left in its original shape, no respectable person would occupy it, although the woman who rendered it infamous has been dead these three years. Any dreadful, widely-bruited crime will irreparably injure a house as a private residence, and, coupled with such a pursuit as Madame Restell followed, will for a great while render it valueless. But apartment houses prove exceptional for the reason I have named—that a number of persons are not deterred from doing in conjunction what one family could not be hired to do.

An example of the harmful influence of crime might have been seen in the Nathan murder in Twenty-third street, years ago. The house was then one of the most desirable in the neighborhood; but the stain of blood caused people to avoid it. It was to let for a long while; nobody would take it. Then it was offered as a domicile; yet no one would have it. Finally it was decided to turn it to commercial purposes; so it became an express office, and is such to this day.

Much the same is true of the house in which Mrs. Hull was murdered on Forty-second street. Although a fine house, it remained long unoccupied, and was eventually used for a boarding-house, where most persons live rather from need than choice. There can be little doubt that, even in this age and in this materialistic capital, there is far more superstition than is commonly thought. Independent of the unpleasantness of living where a great crime has been committed, many persons unquestionably have a superstitious feeling on the subject that makes them avoid such a place instinctively.

VARIETIES.

It is reported—with how much truth I know not—that Rev. George C. Miln, of Chicago, who recently avowed his skepticism from the pulpit, intends to come to this city and establish a non-sectarian, independent, rationalistic organization, somewhat akin to the Society for Ethical Culture, and be to it what Professor Felix Adler is to that society. He thinks, I understand, that there is ample field here for such labors, and that many of the churches will ultimately take that form.

The exodus to Europe this year promises to be much larger than it has been during any previous year. All the steamer lists are rapidly filling up, and it is intimated that more than 40,000 of our countrymen will go abroad—nearly 15,000 more than have ever gone before. The number of Europeans who will visit America this season on business and pleasure will also be far greater than it has been in any preceding season.

Anna Dickinson has again been offered, I am told, a handsome price for the "Crown of Thorns," in which she appeared at the close of her engagement last week. She still refuses to sell it, however, wishing to present Anne Boleyn in her own person. The play is very creditable to her as author; it is in many parts strong and picturesque, and often very dramatic. With considerable judicious pruning it might be made decidedly effective. Miss Dickinson modestly thinks that Anne Boleyn is one of the very few truthful feminine portraitures ever given to the world. Her Anne Boleyn is supremely forcible and heroic, though not much like the woman and queen of history.

Rev. Robert Collyer has never entertained, he says, the idea of returning to Chicago to fill the pulpit of the Church of the Unity vacated by Rev. George C. Miln. He is wholly satisfied with the Church of the Messiah, which, for the first time since its erection, has been filled every Sunday by his ministrations. Besides, he loves New York, its bigness, its independence, its variety, its freedom, and particularly its people.

I hear from Cambridge that Mrs. Clara Erskine Clement, the writer on art, not long since widowed, is soon to be rewived to Mr. Waters, editor of the Boston *Traveller*.

Charles Scribner, of the well-known publishing firm of Charles Scribner's Sons, is to marry in a few months Miss Lulu Flagg, daughter of Rev. Dr. Jared B. Flagg, of this city.

Clergymen are, just now, in brisk request here, not less than five leading churches vainly seeking desirable pastors. The supply of preachers, coming under the head of first-class, has long been steadily diminishing, and the local demand has to be met, in a measure, by importation from Great Britain. America is not a theological country.

James Watson Webb, who recently celebrated his eightieth birthday, has been engaged for some time past, I understand, on an autobiography. As the fighting editor of the old *Courier and Enquirer*, and a leading Whig politician, his experiences ought to be very interesting.

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