

# THOMAS C. PLATT OF NEW YORK DEAD

### Famous Ex-Senator of Empire State Dies Suddenly of Bright's Disease.

### WAS GREAT PARTY ORGANIZER

### Best Known as "Me, Too," and for Having Unintentionally Started Roosevelt on National Career.

New York, March 6.—Thomas Collier Platt, formerly United States senator from New York and for many years a national figure in Republican politics, died at 3:45 o'clock this afternoon in the apartment of Mr. and Mrs. Gustave Abele, on West Eleventh street, from whom he had rented three rooms for the last four years. Mrs. Abele had been his nurse.

Dr. Paul Auerbridge, his physician, said tonight that the cause of death was chronic and acute Bright's disease. The body was removed tonight to the home of Frank H. Platt, a son, and will be taken on Tuesday to Oswego, N. Y., the senator's birthplace, where it will be buried. Funeral services will be held Wednesday in the Presbyterian church in Oswego.

**END CAME SUDDENLY.**  
The end was startlingly sudden. An hour before the senator died, his two sons, Frank and Edward, with their families, and his widowed son, Harry, with the latter's daughter, Charlotte, and son, Sherman, had left the house after their usual Sunday visit. The senator said at that time that he felt very well and thought he would read the Sunday papers. At 3 o'clock he was taken with a fainting spell, and Dr. Auerbridge was hurriedly called. The family was notified and returned in haste. Mr. Platt recovered from his first lapse, but sank into unconsciousness again at 2:30 o'clock and died 15 minutes later. The relatives were all at the bedside.  
Only last Wednesday Senator Platt was at his office downtown. For several years he had been in feeble health,

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and latterly the use of his legs had almost deserted him, but his condition until today was not looked upon as more serious than usual. Thursday at breakfast the senator had a momentary fainting spell, but rallied quickly.  
A year ago his feebleness was markedly accentuated and his life was de-

spaired of for a period, but with remarkable vitality he recovered and went about his business as usual.  
Dr. Auerbridge said tonight that the vitality of his patient was truly unusual. In spite of his feebleness he took an active interest in affairs and refused to neglect his business until the dictates of nature imposed a rest. He was out of bed at 7 o'clock every morning and always early at his office.  
Thomas Collier Platt, the "easy boss" of earlier and brighter days, was for many years not only the Republican leader of his state, but a figure in national politics, shoulder to shoulder with men of such rank and reputation as the late Matthew Stanley Quay of Pennsylvania.

Both were men of exceptional intellectual attainments, and both turned them, with signal success, to party organization. Quay died still a power; Platt outlived his time and felt himself in late years out of touch with the moving spirit of events.

In "Twenty Years in Congress," James G. Blaine described Platt as a "business man of great personal popularity. He has an aptitude for public affairs and is a man of strong influence in his state. He is no debater, but has strong common sense and quick judgment of men."  
Yet with all his native judgment, wide experience and skill as an organizer, it became the fate of Platt to win remembrance more for his associations with others than for anything he did of his own initiative.

### ON THE NATIONAL STAGE.

Twice in his life Platt was the center of the national stage; once when he resigned with Roscoe Conkling from the United States senate and was instantly nicknamed "Me, Too," Platt, and once when he induced Theodore Roosevelt to run for vice president with McKinley, very much against Roosevelt's better judgment in the face of his repeated declarations that nothing would induce him to accept the nomination.  
There could not be a better instance of Platt's skill in persuasion and manipulation or of the irony that mocked his ripest wisdom. McKinley was shot, Roosevelt became president, and the days of Platt's domination in the state lapsed into senility. His bodily strength declined rapidly. He made a second marriage which ended in the courts, and he was sued by Mae Wood, formerly a clerk in government employ, for a divorce on the strength of a third marriage never proved to have taken place.

The episode with Conkling, which was not exceeded in public excitement, say the newspaper files of that day, by any event in the Civil war, was as follows:

**"THE 'ME TOO,' EPISODE.**  
Platt was elected to the senate in 1881. He and his colleague, Conkling, became embroiled with Garfield in a bitter controversy about the appointment of William H. Robertson to be collector of the port of New York. The

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selection was distasteful to the New York organization, and both Platt and Conkling refused to confirm it in the senate. Thereupon President Garfield withdrew other nominations made at their instigation, among them, one Senator L. Woodford, to be United States district attorney, and Lou F. Payne, recently remembered as an "accelerator of public opinion," to be United States marshal.  
Platt was elected in a hopeless deadlock, Platt and Conkling both resigned. Conkling was caught in the great blizzard of 1888 and died of exposure. Platt was supposed to be frozen out of politics, but he turned his attention to building influence in the southern tier of New York counties, became state legislator in 1884 and in 1897 was elected a second time to the United States senate, succeeding David Bennett Hill.

### PUTS ROOSEVELT FORWARD.

Platt fell out with Gov. Frank Black, and to defeat his renomination put forward Theodore Roosevelt, a type whose undeveloped possibilities he did not justly estimate. It was Roosevelt's rapid progress toward popularity and power that later led Platt to suggest him for the vice presidency, hoping that in the quiet of that dignified office he might be forgotten.  
Platt was born in Oswego, Tioga county, N. Y., on July 15, 1832, of Puritan ancestry. He entered Yale college with the class of 1849, but left in the middle of his junior year because of ill health. His father wished him to study for the ministry, but he never advanced further in that direction than to sing in the church choir.

A brief apprenticeship at literature was succeeded by more congenial employment in business. He prospered in Michigan in the lumber trade, returned to Oswego and became president of the Tioga National bank; was chosen a director and later president of the Southern Central Railroad company, and in 1879 was elected vice president and secretary of the United States Express company, of which he was president from 1880 until his death.

In physique, Platt was a young man, was pleasant in appearance, delicately built, restless and nervous. In later years his visage took on grimness.  
By his first marriage to Ellen Barstow of Oswego he had three sons—Frank T., Edward T. and Harry B. Platt. He had been in feeble health for some years before his death.

### PLATT'S OPINION OF PRESIDENTS AND GOVERNORS

New York, March 7.—Senator Thomas C. Platt who died here yesterday, had known personally and intimately every president since Lincoln, as well as most of the men prominent in national politics during that time. Some of his views of these men were summed up in a private conversation a few days before his death, and were made public here today for the first time.  
"Party leaders whom I have known," said Senator Platt. "Well, I regard Lincoln as our greatest president; Grant as the greatest warrior and peace-maker; McKinley as the most lovable; Arthur as the most princely; Hayes and Garfield as the most ungracious; Roosevelt was the best organization governor the party ever had; Black was the most stalwart; Odell the most forgetful; the most selfish; Hill a peevish politician; Hughes a tyrant. Quay was the cleverest politician the country ever produced; Blaine was the ideal agrarian; and Thomas B. Reed was the most expert parliamentarian Congress ever saw."

### MEAT PRICES HAVE ADVANCED WORLD OVER

Washington, March 6.—Meat prices have advanced in all the principal consuming and producing sections of the world, according to statistics compiled by the department of commerce and labor.

The report shows the chief meat exporting countries of the world to be Australia, New Zealand, Argentina, Canada and the United States; the chief meat importing countries, the United Kingdom, Germany, and in a less degree, the European countries.

The advance in fresh meat prices is less than in salted and preserved meats, and in nearly all cases, the advance in beef is less than in pork or mutton. The fact that the percentage of advance in the price of fresh meats, especially those shipped in chilled or frozen state, has not been so great as the advance in salted or preserved meats is said to be due to reductions in the last few years in the cost of chilling or freezing and of transporting meats of this class.

The advance in mutton is regarded as due to the comparatively slow growth in the world's supply of sheep. Some of the statistics obtained by the department follow:  
From Australia, in the case of beef preserved by cold process, the export price advanced from \$5.22 per 100 pounds in 1899 to \$5.49 in 1908; mutton and lamb, from \$3.82 per 100 pounds in 1899 to \$6.47 in 1908, an advance of about 3 per cent in beef and nearly 70 per cent in the price of mutton and lamb.

In Argentina, the export price of frozen beef in 1897-1899 was \$1.75 per 100 pounds, and the price for 1908-1909, \$4.38; of frozen mutton, for 1897-1899, \$1.75 per 100 pounds, and 1908-1909, \$3.50.

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Meat imports into the United Kingdom in the period from 1895 to 1908 show advances in nearly every case, the principal exception being fresh beef, of which the average price per 100 pounds decreased from \$8.21 in 1895 to \$7.46 in 1908.

The import price per 100 pounds of salted beef advanced from \$5.35 to \$8.15; preserved beef, from \$17.15 to \$18.27; and pork from \$7.57 to \$8.56 per 100 pounds.

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New York, March 6.—The Postal Telegraph company announces that, beginning Monday night, March 7, it will render night letter service between all offices on its own telegraph lines and of its direct connections in the United States.  
Messages of this new class will be known as night letter telegrams. They

will be accepted at Postal Telegraph offices over the country by telephone in the usual way. The charge for night letter telegrams of 20 words or less will be the regular day rate for 10 words and one-fifth of this rate will be charged for each additional 10 words or less. They must be written in plain English; code or cipher will not be permitted.

They will be accepted for transmission at night and delivery at destination on the morning of the next ensuing business day by mail or messenger, at the option of the company.  
The Postal Telegraph-Cable company coupled the foregoing announcement with a repetition of the statement recently made by President Clarence H. Mackay to the effect that the company has always been independent and has no intention of entering into any combination with the Western Union and Bell Telephone companies, and that it intends to retain its independence and maintain active and aggressive competition in the telegraph field.

### ACTRESS BREAKS HER NECK.

Cincinnati, O., March 6.—Fifteen hundred people were horror-stricken at a local vaudeville theater here this afternoon when, at the conclusion of an act, a performer named Augusta Fiasco,

while perched on her brother's head, 18 feet above the stage, lost her balance and fell head foremost to the floor, breaking her neck. She has little chance for recovery.

### BERLIN POLICE AND SOCIALISTS IN COLLISION

Berlin, March 6.—A serious collision occurred between the police and Socialists this afternoon at Treptow park, when a Socialist procession endeavored to force its way into the park. The police drove the Socialists back with revolvers and sabres. About 39 demonstrators were wounded.

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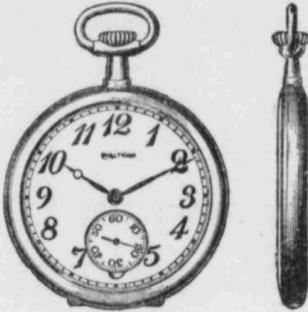
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