

# A United States Officer

## SOME INCIDENTS OF HIS LIFE AND HARD-SHIPS IN THE LATE WAR.

From the Gazette, Medway, Mass.

The thriving town of Medway, Mass., has no more reputable citizen than Capt. John P. L. Grant, the carpenter and builder. For months he was a sufferer from wrecked digestion, loss of memory and the keenest of rheumatic pains arising from a life of ambitious labor and arduous exposure as an officer in the late war, and later as a U. S. mail carrier.

A representative of this paper called on Capt. Grant for his story. He met the newspaper man cheerily, and in his own honest, simple language, said:

"I was born in South Berwick, Me., Dec. 1, 1834, and when two years old, moved with my parents to Old York, Me. When 16 years old I was apprenticed to a prominent builder, Samuel Colcord, of Exeter, N. H., to learn the carpenter's trade with the added privilege of attending Phillips Academy, then as now a famous seat of learning. I graduated from there and went to Portland, Me., where I served two years with Hon. Wm. G. Kimball, a noted builder of the time. I worked in Newburyport two years and then established myself in business in West Amesbury. During this period I was married at Charlestown. In 1862 I removed to York where I enlisted in the U. S. service. I served nearly three years, participated in forty-three battles, some of them the hottest of the war, was twice wounded and for a time disabled, and at last was discharged at Augusta, Me., in 1865.

"I secured and kept the contract for carrying the mails between York and Portsmouth, N. H., for twelve years. I removed to Medway in March, 1887, where I have since resided, in business as a carpenter and builder. I have raised a family of ten children, and have now a family of six residing with me.

"About three years ago I was suddenly stricken with dizzy spells, protracted in duration and more frequent as the weeks went by. With these attacks came incessant vomiting and spasms of coma so that instantly I would

fall wherever I might be and remain so for some time.

"Soon I was forced to keep in bed, my digestion was wrecked, my business was going to pieces and everything looked very dark. Of course I tried all kinds of remedies that were recommended but to no avail, and I also went to a Medical Institute in Boston, but all my expenditure was fruitless.

"Finally I secured a box of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, and received so great relief from them that my family and myself could see the direct benefit.

"I kept on with their use and steadily grew better. The dizzy attacks lessened and at last left me, the vomiting has entirely ceased and my general health has not yet stopped its improvement. My digestion is now good and so to no other agency than to Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People can my cure be ascribed.

"I had since the war, been troubled greatly with chronic rheumatism but this was relieved by taking these pills. It is one of the greatest remedies ever used by anybody and every member of my family has the same high opinion of it that I do. I have nothing but earnest, grateful praise for what it has done for me.

(Signed) JOHN P. L. GRANT.

Capt. Grant will be glad to answer any letters addressed him about his case. His address is P. O. box 140, Medway, Mass.

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People contain, in a condensed form, all the elements necessary to give new life and richness to the blood and restore shattered nerves. They are also a specific for troubles peculiar to females, such as irregularities and all forms of weakness. In men they effect a radical cure in all cases arising from mental worry, overwork or excesses of what-ever nature. Pink Pills are sold in boxes (seven in loose bulk) at 50 cents a box or six boxes for \$2.50, and may be had of all druggists, or direct by mail from Dr. Williams' Medicine Company, Schenectady, N. Y.

Freight Conductor L. E. Jones of Moberly, who runs on the "east end" of the Wabash, was stricken with paralysis last week while on his regular run to St. Louis. His entire left side was paralyzed and he can talk only at intervals and then with great difficulty.

Marshal Holman and Mayor Bright of Huntsville raided a gambling den in that city the other night, and as a consequence Huntsville's exchequer was increased \$20. Of this amount Tom Gerson contributed \$10 and Andy Anderson and "Annie" Johnson \$5 each.

A vacant house belonging to Judge Polson and a barn belonging to C. D. Holsinger of Moberly suffered by a fire the first of last week. The former was about half burned and the latter entirely consumed. Both fires were of incendiary origin. Mr. Holsinger's residence fell a victim to the fire fiend the week previous.

Hugh McCall, formerly of Higbee, who was among the candidates for representative of Randolph county last year, but who withdrew from the contest before the election took place, was killed in a railroad wreck at Rogers, Ark., last week. Mr. McCall had resided at Huntington, Ark., since he left Randolph county.

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### Sam Jones on "Character and Characters."

Columbia Herald.

Character is the immortal part of man. It is the part that outlives all else.

Reputation is like a glove. It can be slipped on or off. Character is the hand itself. When it is scarred, it is scarred forever.

There are two forces that play upon human character, heredity and volition.

Philosophers differ as to which is the stronger. And even college students are not certain.

Heredity is a mighty force. Some preachers say we have original and total depravity. Some say we are partially depraved, others that we are born pure and become depraved.

I do not know how this is. But I do know that every fellow I've ever been tangled up with has enough depravity to damn him and if anybody wants more than that he's greedier than I've ever been.

There's a great deal in heredity. If you don't believe it you marry into some families.

There's a great deal in heredity. If you don't believe it you take a pointer pup and a fox hound and a bull dog with you bird-hunting.

What a man gets by heredity he gets honestly and that's no sin. It is what he does with it afterward that counts.

Character is tested by volition. We are out of whack. Environment has much to do with our character.

There are boys in Columbia that ought to go somewhere else to get a good character. They are making mighty poor headway here.

Associations fix character. Character settles destiny. Get that into your noggin, boys.

Tell me who you run with and I'll tell you who you are.

Even Columbia with all its boasted elegance has got to have a jail. Couldn't get along without it. So God Almighty can't get along without a hell to put some men in.

I brought home from Texas a full blooded Scotch terrier. He was a great ratter. He even dreamed of rats. I put a water spaniel in with the terrier. In three months the spaniel was the greatest ratter of the two.

You may not be born a ratter, but if you get mixed up with ratters you'll soon be a ratter yourself.

Some men say men came up through evolution. I don't know much about it, but I've been wondering when nature would evolve again and whether it would be a boy or girl.

I've lived nearly fifty years and I've never seen the old thing go off. My



If a woman walked bare-footed on the sharp edge of a sword, she would not undergo one-tenth of the agony daily borne by thousands of women without complaint. They suffer greater misery and pain than could be inflicted by all the professional torturers that the world ever knew. Day and night they suffer from headaches, dragging down and burning sensations, pains in the sides and back, hot and cold flashes, nervous and trembling sensations and physical lassitude and mental dependency. The whole body is tortured with pain and the entire nervous system is racked. If they consult the average obscure physician, he will attribute their bad feelings to stomach, liver, kidney, heart or nervous trouble. If, by accident, he hits upon the right cause, he will insist upon the disgusting examinations and local treatment so embarrassing to a sensitive, modest woman.

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had lived 92 years and he said he'd never seen it evolve.

I can't believe nature evolved animalculae into a lizard, lizard into a monkey, monkey into a man. I don't believe man came up from a monkey, but when I meet some men I think they are headed down that way.

I've a great contempt for the agnostic. It's got so that a \$5 lawyer can't try a case in a justice's court without parading his agnosticism. And a little doctor can't roll pills or give soothing syrup without being a little skeptical. They are both a little jassackal.

The Harvard boys, when I was in Boston, were a little skeptical. They came around to talk agnosticism to me. They talked a long time. It was no strain on my mind.

We send some Georgia boys to Harvard. They tack letters on their names up there. A. B. B. L. L. D., and when they come back to Georgia we add three more letters, A. S. S. That fixes them up all right.

A boy that don't know anything except what his professor taught him or what he got out of books is a weak sister.

The man of value in the world of physics is not he who can write a fine essay on iron ore and a dissertation on trees. The man of value is he who can see an ax in the iron ore and a handle in the tree and devise a plan for getting them out and bringing them together and furnishing every farmer a useful implement.

Some preachers write out their sermons and read them. They'll be dead three months before their crowd knows they've departed.

My memory's bad, they say. Then they ought to make it work the harder.

When a mule lags back I come down on its back kerflop. When a mental faculty lags we want to do the same. Kick the life out of it until it catches up. It's my business to make it come up.

Education don't make better citizens. Education makes of bad men the worst citizens.

This country is going wild on education.

You educate some young bucks and unless you can give them a nice, easy job they won't do anything but board with their mother.

You must educate mind and heart. I go a great deal on fact and not much on any man's theories.

Pennsylvania where they give \$11,000,000 to schools, voted 200,000 majority in favor of saloons and debauchery. In South Carolina where one-third of the population was disfranchised for illiteracy there's not a saloon in the state. I told the Pennsylvania people they'd better borrow some illiterates from South Carolina.

I'd rather see my son in heaven learning his A. B. C.'s than in hell talking Greek.

Spit a hair a mile long to get at the exact truth.

Liberty is the privilege of doing right. License is what it costs to do wrong.

The man who favors or votes for a saloon is a worse citizen, than any horse thief in the penitentiary.

The horse thief will steal my horse. I can get another for \$30. Horses are mighty cheap now. The other fellow votes a saloon on me and the saloon wrecks my boy and breaks my wife's heart, and you can't fix that up for \$30.

That was done in a saloon. You keep going into them and you may butcher your wife or kill your little boy. I have as much respect for the white-aproned fellow who sells as for you red-nosed scoundrel who buys.

God pity the child who has to smell a stillhouse whenever it kisses its father's lips.

Some of you little bear-eyed bucks are drinking whiskey, too.

When you begin whiskey-drinking and cigarette smoking it's good-bye, Johnny.

You cigarette smokers will go to sleep some time and your brains'll run out. But you can put 'em all back with a teaspoon.

You are not mean. You are just a fool.

An angel who would drink this Columbia whiskey one night would wind up in jail in the morning.

I was asked in Boston if the negro

instincts. No, I said, principally in his out-instincts.

Affinities tell. A boy who loves whiskey, cards, the shameless house, is hopelessly damned unless he changes his affinities.

The difference between men is the difference in the things they love and the things they hate.

You girls do not put a premium upon royal manhood. Stand up a merchant, a lawyer, a doctor, a conductor, a mechanic and a dude in a row here and tell the girl to pick out a husband and she'll pick the dude every time.

Papa must buy it for her and then board it at home.

Bangs are becoming to women and mules.

Roses may fade from your cheeks, girls, and beauty from you brows, but character lives forever.

We need more honey bees and less butterflies.

### Cotton and "Prosperity."

Our gold standard friends who are so confident that prosperity is forcing its welcome presence throughout all parts of our country seem to have overlooked one of the chief products of the nation.

The deplorable condition of the cotton market seems to have been completely overlooked by those wise people who have had so much to say about dollar wheat being the result of McKinleyism.

Manufacturers as a result of the Dingley bill have advanced the price of cotton goods nearly ten per cent.

At the same time they are paying seven and eight dollars per bale less for cotton than they paid during the same period last year when cotton was supposed to be down to bedrock.

In discussing this condition the Jerome Hill Cotton company of St. Louis says:

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"One cause for the low values of cotton is the scarcity of currency for carrying crops in the interior southern towns.

"The southern people would not sell their cotton for values under cost of production, which is 7 cents, if they could carry it for a low rate of interest. Really, they are in a helpless condition and must sacrifice their cotton to meet their obligations.

"Unless cotton advances we fear the present activity in commercial affairs will be of short duration, for it is a serious matter for a nation to lose so much on its chief export product, and the results are sure to be felt throughout the entire country, for each section is dependent more or less upon the prosperity of all."

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