

HIS LIFE WORK DONE Loring Pickering Passes Away. A LONG AND NOTABLE CAREER.

His Labors in the Journalistic Field—A Friend of the People, He Wrought for the Public Good.

Loring Pickering died. Quietly, peacefully, in the amplitude of his years, his ambitions realized, his hopes fulfilled, he passed away peacefully in his family.

It was little more than seven weeks ago that the fatal illness came, but it was not believed at first that there was any cause for serious apprehension. A slight cough brought a return of the symptoms of an old affection, and the physician united and the doctor for years, and Mr. Pickering realized that he must give up active work for a time at least in order to recuperate.

His illness was apparently slight, and in spite of his 80 years neither his family nor his physician saw anything to indicate that the end was near. A man of tremendous vitality and possessed of a splendid physique it was believed that a few days of rest and a little more rest would restore him to his complete restoration to health.

His hope was shared by his many friends who had watched his illness, and but for a sudden and unfortunate change in the weather he might have returned to his accustomed life. As it was, the day selected for his trip from Niles was raw and cold, and while crossing the bay Mr. Pickering became chilled. He seemed to think nothing of it at the time, but on reaching his home on Bush street he suffered a severe relapse. The fever returned and the stomach trouble reappeared in a more severe form. It was found that he was unable to assimilate his food, and as his weakness increased he was finally overcome and the patient recovered his strength sufficiently to be able to leave his bed and walk about.

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But the symptoms grew worse, and the patient's strength gradually ebbed away, and at last it was realized that the final struggle had taken place. Mr. Pickering was one of the first to see that his condition was precarious, but he seemed to accept the situation calmly and philosophically. His last days were spent in a quiet manner, and he was surrounded by his family and his intimate friends. He was a man of great energy and vigor, and his death was a great loss to the community.

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business and went to St. Louis. He had acquired some capital at Hennepin and with it he joined with others and purchased two newspapers at St. Louis, called the Reporter and Missourian. These papers were the representatives of the two wings of the Democracy. Mr. Pickering was at this time an earnest Democrat, well known throughout the West, and largely through his efforts the two papers united and a newspaper called the St. Louis Union was produced by the consolidation of the other two. Of this journal the deceased became one of the owners and chief editor. The publication program, however, did not succeed for a long time, and the quarrels of the factionists brought trouble to the Union and its owners. After a period of

soon thereafter again embarked upon the life of journalism. During his absence Mr. Fitch had purchased an interest in the Evening Bulletin, then owned by C. O. Gerberding and James W. Simonton. In the beginning of 1851 the Bulletin Company was reorganized by taking in most of the active workers on its staff. In this reorganization James Nesbit, Dr. Franklin Tuttle and Julien Bartlett became owners, the only outsider that came in being Mr. Pickering.

From this time the deceased entered into active work, which he continued, with short intervals devoted to travel, ever since. Prior to his death he was the owner of the Bulletin and the ownership of the Bulletin gradually settled into the hands of his family.

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editorials appearing in THE CALL during the campaign were from his pen. The result of this great strain broke down his system, and a week before election day he was confined to the house. He complained chiefly of stomach difficulties, but there were other complications. Of his illness Dr. L. C. Lane, who was called in, says: "I found that Mr. Pickering had a remittent fever of a rather severe type. This promptly yielded to the ordinary remedies, but was succeeded by a great deal of trouble of the stomach, which scarcely tolerated food, and his digestion was almost suspended. That condition of the stomach continued, it being impossible for him to take even a

small amount of carefully selected food without causing great distress, and in vomiting. "It became impossible for him to receive nourishment by the stomach, and for the last few days nutrition was maintained by other methods which are put in practice in such cases. "He gradually became weaker, his pulse being greatly enfeebled, with frequent intermissions. "He was unusually clear in his intellect, and expressed a willingness—in fact, a desire to die and be relieved of his sufferings. "In fact he requested me to suspend all means looking to a continuance of his life."

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days. He also decided to add 100 men to the police force and to employ 100 new Two more bodies were found in the rooms of yesterday's tannery fire, one that of Stephen Treaden, a tanner. The other was not identified.

To-day a number of fire insurance companies gave orders to cease writing insurance on manufacturing plants in this city. Chief of Police Janssen, after a thorough examination, is satisfied that the fire which this morning destroyed \$400,000 worth of the Milwaukee Street Railway Company's property, was caused by a car stove which was overheated.

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IN A STRANGE UNION. Gathering of the Forces of Disorder. THEY MENACE THE REPUBLIC. Carnot Is in No Danger, but the Hands of the Enemies of France Are Strengthened.

Special to THE MORNING CALL. NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—Smalley cables to the Tribune from Paris: Brissot has a five and six months' imprisonment. The people who did not like the Panama inquiry began a fortnight since calling the Panama committee "a committee on public safety in the revolutionary sense." Yesterday a real committee of public safety was formed. The meeting which appointed it was composed, if Le Gaulois and the other papers may be believed, of all the various revolutionary groups, except apparently the Catholics. There were collectivists, Anarchists, Blanquists, socialists, Irreconcilables, anarchists and others. There were red flags and there was the usual kind of things. No disorderly gathering is now complete without red flags and the Marquis de Mores.

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SOCIETY OF INHARMONY. Father Henri's Followers Quarreling Over the Spoils. PITTSBURGH, Pa., Dec. 28.—The dissatisfaction in the Harmony Society, growing out of the supreme control given to John Duss, it is said, is likely to assume a legal phase. Several members will probably go to court soon and demand that the appointment of a receiver, not to wind up the affairs of the corporation, but to carry on its business, and the accounts and make a report.

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NOT POISONED. Baron Reinach Died From Natural Causes. PARIS, Dec. 28.—The official report of Dr. Brouardel, who had charge of the autopsy on the body of Baron Reinach, was made public to-day. It declares that an analysis of the stomach reveals the fact of no trace of poison. The conclusion reached is that death was due to natural causes. The report is regarded with suspicion from certain quarters.

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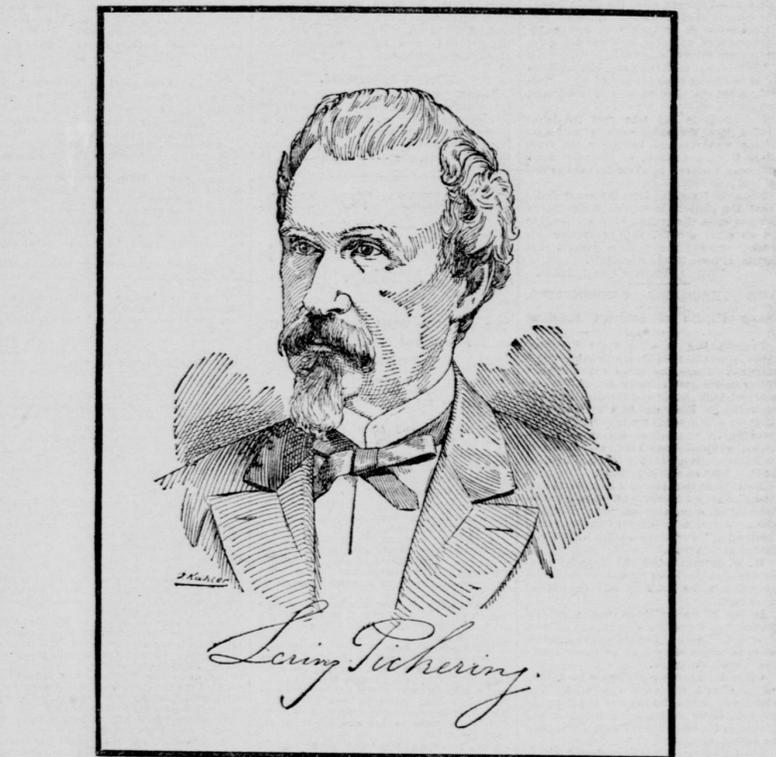
TAMMANY'S OBJECTIONS. Cleveland's Talk Not Well Received. MURPHY STILL FIRST CHOICE. But the Chiefs Are Preparing to Go to Bourke Cochran in the Event of Contingencies.

Special to THE MORNING CALL. NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—Cleveland's protest against Murphy in connection with the United States Senatorship is looked upon as a declaration of war on his part, and the belief is general that it will result in a rupture of the Democratic party in this State. It is plain that Cleveland knows what he is doing, and has carefully estimated the cost of offering battle to the Hill faction.

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