

VANDERBILT'S ESTATE. METHODS BY WHICH THE OLD COM-MODORE MADE HIS FORTUNE.

Cornelius Vanderbilt's Originality and Power of Financial Combination—Successful Railroad Undertakings—Social Qualities—Physical Appearance.

Another great estate is the Vanderbilt estate. It was founded by Cornelius Vanderbilt, as its fellow was John Jacob Astor, born thirty-one years, and died twenty-nine years earlier, at the same age. Vanderbilt, who was an American for several generations, had first seen the light on Staten Island, and inherited various traits from his Dutch stock.

He was illiterate throughout life, having a violent prejudice against education, which he believed to interfere with practical success, and talked a peculiar English, defiant of general orthodoxy. Letters he almost never covered—correspondence was as severe a task for him as for Sam Weller—but he invariably wanted everybody else to put any business proposal on paper. He never, so far as known, expressed the slightest regret for his lack of education, and, presumably, never felt any being in this an exception to his race.

For fifty-four years he followed the water, owing steamboats on the Delaware, the Hudson and Long Island Sound, and steamships on the Atlantic and Pacific, steadily overcoming opposition and swelling his fortune. At 70, with property estimated at \$10,000,000, the commodore, as he was called, directed his attention to, and concentrated his interest in, railroads, having been for many years a large stockholder in the New York and New Haven road.

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Woman's Fancies Concerning Jewelry. A long time ago, that day when the world moved at the nod of Cleopatra, the Egyptian women saved all their gold to buy emeralds for their daughters, because the possession of them not only insured freedom from all physical ills, but made in their hearts an ever springing well of hope, forcing them to be cheerful, happy women. Sometimes the emerald was engraved with cabalistic characters, oftener its smooth surface was untouched; that could not be accomplished by the precious gem itself certainly could not by the aid of a mysterious symbol. Then the Sicilian women bought coral for their babies, believing that it not only brought them good health, but counteracted the effect of the evil eye and kept away the wicked spirits. It seemed for a while as if the same interest was going to be taken in coral now that was then, for beautiful pink coral framed in diamonds was not only shown in the large jewelry shops, but worn by some very smart women. However, the fancy seems to have died out; coral is no longer either displayed in the window or on the woman. Unfortunately both of these health giving ornaments, the emerald and the coral, are easily imitated, which destroys their value in the eyes of the gem collecting woman—"Bob" in Philadelphia Times.

REPUBLICAN PLATFORM

The Republicans of the United States, assembled by their delegates in national convention, pause on the threshold of their proceedings to honor the memory of their first great leader, who died in the camp of liberty and the rights of the people, Abraham Lincoln, and to cover also with wreaths of imperishable remembrance and gratitude the heroic address of our later leaders who have been in so recently called away from our scene, Grant, Garfield, Arthur, Logan and Conkling. We also recall with our greetings and prayer for his recovery the name of our noble and favorite child of victory, Philip H. Sheridan.

In the spirit of those great leaders and of our devotion to human liberty, and with that first of our fathers, we affirm the right of every man to the maintenance of the republican form of government, which is the fundamental idea of the republican party. We send fraternal congratulations to the American people of Brazil upon their great act of emancipation which completed the abolition of slavery throughout the two Americas, and we earnestly hope we may soon congratulate our fellow citizens of Irish birth upon the peaceful recovery of home rule for Ireland.

WE AFFIRM OUR UNSWERVING DEVOTION to the national constitution and to the individual union of states to the autonomy reserved to the states under the constitution, and the personal rights and liberties of citizens in all states and territories in the union, and especially the right of every citizen to vote in every election, rich or poor, native or foreign born, white or black, to cast one free ballot in the primary election, and to have that ballot duly counted. We hold a free and honest popular ballot and just and equal representation of all people to be the foundation of our republican government, and we demand effective legislation to secure the integrity of a purely popular government.

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