OBITUARY.

DANIEL LOTHROP.

Daniel Lothrop, the head of the firm of D. Lothrop & Co., publishers of Boston, died there on Friday in the sixty-second year of his age.

Mr. Lothrop was the youngest of three brothers. He was born in Rochester, N. H. When seventeen years old he went into business for himself as a bookseller at Newmarket, N. H., and shortly afterward formed the partnership with his two brothers, which has existed ever since under the same firm name. Daniel Lothrop was the ruling mind in the partnership, and he continued to enlarge his business by establishing shops in other cities, and began to publish a few books and to enlarge his jobbing trade. In 1856 Mr. Lothrop made a tour in the West and shortly afterward established a bank and also a drug and a book store in Minnesota, none of which enterprises proved successful. He sustained heavy losses, but was able to pay all his debts.

Soon after the close of the civil war the firm went into business in Boston, with the idea at first of publishing Sunday school books and other reading matter for the young. The business has grown to large proportions since then, and a feature in recent years has been the publication of many elaborately-illustrated books. In 1874 the children's magazine *Wide Awake* was established, and its success led the firm to start several other periodicals, among which are *Babyland*, *Our Little Men and Women*, *The Pansy*, and the *Chautauqua Young Folks' Journal*.

SAMUEL F. MILLER.

The Hon. Samuel F. Miller, a distinguished citizen of Franklin, Delaware County, N. Y., died suddenly on Wednesday night of apoplexy. He was born at Franklin on Aug. 27, 1827, and was graduated from Hamilton College in the class of '52. He was admitted to the bar, but never engaged in practice, his tastes leading him into an active political career as a Republican. He was chosen to the State Assembly in 1854, to the Thirty-eighth Congress in 1862, and to the Forty-fourth Congress in 1874. He was a member of the State Constitutional Convention of 1867. He served by appointment as a member of the State Board of Charities from 1869 to 1877, and as the United States Internal Revenue Collector for his district from 1869 to 1873. For the last ten years he had lived in retirement on his farm at Franklin.

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Peter MacDonald, who died Thursday of Bright's disease at his home, 358 West Twenty-fourth Street, was well known in lodge circles of different orders over the entire State, and better known in the Sixteenth Ward, where he had lived for over forty years, and where he served as Chairman of the School Board for two terms. During the war Mr. MacDonald went out as a drummer boy in the Eighth New-York Militia, and returned home a Captain. He was Grand Scribe for a number of years of the New-York State Division, Sons of Temperance, and Grand Patron of the Cadets of Temperance. Mr. MacDonald was Secretary of St. Nicholas Lodge, F. and A. M., for over sixteen years. He was a member of Alexander Hamilton Post, G. A. R., and of the American Patriotic League. He had been engaged in the real estate business twenty-five years at the time of his death.

David B. Reed died yesterday at his home, 150 West Eighty-third Street. Thirty years ago he bought about a dozen lots on that street, from the sale of which in later years he became comparatively wealthy. Mr. Reed resided for over seventy years in New-York City. During the war he was associated with George Starr, the old Ninth Ward Alderman, in the purchase of cattle for the Government. Mr. Reed, during the rebellion, was a stanch supporter of the Government, and in 1863, when Mr. Wakeman's house, east of the Park, was burned by the rioters, his own house was threatened, but an armed force within repelled the mob. He was one of the first from Putnam and Dutchess Counties to bring cattle to the New-York markets, and he was for many years an owner of stands in Jefferson Market. He leaves a daughter, the wife of John Elderkin of the New-York *Ledger*.

Judge George Driggs of the Circuit Court of Chicago died there suddenly yesterday morning while sitting in a chair at his residence. The cause of his death was quinzy sore throat, which had been troubling him for some time, but had only interfered during the past few days with his labors on the bench. Judge Driggs was born in 1846 at Mount Morris, N. Y. He practiced extensively at Washington, D. C., and Columbus, Ohio, and for a long time was the assistant counsel for the Pennsylvania lines west of Pittsburg. It was not until two hours before his death that any idea of danger was entertained by the Judge's family.

Victor Schoenian, an old and well-known resident of New-Brighton, S. I., died yesterday, after three months' illness, of a complication of diseases, aged fifty-nine years. He was a native of Germany, but came to this country when a young man, and since made his home on Staten Island. He was at one time reputed to be a millionaire, but lost the greater part of his fortune in Wall Street. He was Trustee of New-Brighton for four years, representing the Fifth Ward, and for the past three years was Village Treasurer. He owned considerable property on Staten Island. He never married, and his only relative is a sister in Germany.

Judge Van Wyck Hewlett of Woodbury, L. I., died on Friday at Saranac Lake, where he had gone for the benefit of his health. He was thirty-four years of age and a well-known Long Island lawyer, with an office in the Garfield Building, Brooklyn. He was a Justice of the Peace in the Town of Hempstead for a number of years, and at the time of his death, which was due to the grip, he was a Justice of Sessions in Queens County. He was one of the heirs of Abram Hewlett, after whom the Village of Hewletts, L. I., was named.

Mrs. James C. Pettit died at her home, 77 Munn Avenue, East Orange, N. J., yesterday. She was thirty-nine years old. She was born at Newton, Sussex County, and her maiden name was Mary Hoyt. She was one of the heirs of the Jesse Hoyt estate, and was a very wealthy woman. She leaves two children. She was a member of the Board of Governors of the Orange Memorial Hospital, the House of the Good Shepherd, the Orange Orphan Home, and the Training School for Nurses, and was active in the affairs of Christ Church.

The Hon. Luther S. Morrill, a prominent member of the Merrimack County Bar, died Friday night at Concord, N. H. He was graduated from Dartmouth College in 1865, was Assistant Clerk of the State Senate in 1869, Clerk in 1870 and 1871, and Clerk of the Merrimack County Supreme Court from 1869 to 1882. He was also an Associate Justice of the Concord Police Court for several years, and a member of the Legislature in 1887. He leaves a wife and two children.

The death of Col. George C. Kibbe, Superintendent of Starin's shipyard at Port Richmond, S. I., occurred on Friday, after two days' illness of pneumonia. He served throughout the war of the rebellion, winning a commission as Colonel of the Sixth Heavy Artillery of New-York. He was in the Custom House in this city for fifteen years, eight years serving as Deputy Surveyor. Col. Kibbe was fifty-eight years of age and leaves a wife and four grown children.

John Parkinson Roberts died yesterday at his home 238 Williamson Street, Elizabeth, N. J. He was a leading member of St. John's Episcopal Church in that city, and for several years one of the Vestrymen. He was for many years connected with the firm of Le Boutillier Brothers, dry goods merchants, Twenty-third Street, this city. Mr. Roberts leaves a wife, one son, and three daughters. He was seventy years of age.

Richard R. Field, a prominent resident of Plainfield, N. J., died yesterday in his seventy-fifth year. He was the father of Dr. Chauncey M. Field, a well-known surgeon, and of Richard, Jacob, and Albert Field. Peter W. Field, the New-York merchant, is his brother. Mr. Field was at one time a prominent wholesale merchant in St. Louis, and later dealt largely in Central New Jersey real estate.

William O'Malley, a well-known Brooklyn Democrat and office holder, died suddenly yesterday at his home, 141 Pearl Street. He was born in Ireland forty-two years ago, but settled in Brooklyn when seventeen years old. He held a clerkship in the Controller's office for many years, and one of his sons is employed in the Board of Education. He leaves a wife and seven children.

Capt. W. P. Flowers, one of the best-known men on the river, died at his home in the suburbs of Memphis, Tenn., Friday evening. He was a pilot with Samuel L. Clemens under Capt. H. E. Bixby of the City of Helena. He was a St. Louis and New-Orleans pilot during the war, and was a member of the One Hundred and Fifty-fourth Regiment.

Dr. Joseph Draper, aged fifty-eight years, Superintendent of the Vermont Asylum for the Insane at Brattleborough, Vt., for eighteen years, died there Thursday of pneumonia after an illness of six days. He had been President of various medical societies and his addresses had always attracted wide attention.

José Enriquez, one of the most prominent politicians in Southern Mexico and Governor of the State of Vera Cruz, is dead. This leaves an open field for Theodore de Pasa, Collector of Customs at Vera Cruz, for the vacant Governorship.

The Hon. A. P. Butts died at his residence in Brockport, Monroe County, yesterday morning, aged sixty-seven years. He was member of Assembly for the Third District of Monroe County in 1881 and again in 1883.

Mail advices from Florence, Italy, state that Elizabeth Gibson Powers, widow of Hiram Powers, the distinguished American sculptor, died at Florence March 2. Her body was buried in the Protestant Cemetery.

Harry M. Luther, resident engineer at Ashland, Penn., for the Reading Company, and a brother of R. C. Luther, Superintendent of the Reading Coal and Iron Company, died at Atlantic City, N. J., yesterday.

Samuel Smith, for nearly forty years chief clerk of the Poughkeepsie Post Office, died there late yesterday afternoon. He went to Poughkeepsie from Rhinebeck and was widely known.

George S. Harrison, chief clerk of the foreign department of the General Post Office, died yesterday, aged forty-two years. He had been in the Postal Service for twenty years.

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