

## WEALTH OF THE VANDERBILTS.

No Other Single Family in the World Is So Enormously Rich—Facts and Figures.

The following estimate of the present and prospective wealth of the Vanderbilts is from the *New York World*:

The combined Vanderbilt wealth amounts to \$274,000,000, and the estimated income from it per annum is \$13,864,400. No other singly family in the world is so rich. If kept intact, the total fortune will at the end of twenty-five years almost reach \$1,000,000,000, and this result will be attained by the simple arithmetical progression of compound interest. The rapid increase of the Vanderbilt millions clearly shows how money begets money.

If the combined Vanderbilt wealth were all in one-dollar bills, the area of paper would be just equal to the amount of white paper required to print 4,182,558 copies of the eight-page *World*. If the bills were joined end to end, they would stretch out 31,321 miles, or, in other words, would go a trifle more than once and a quarter around the globe at its greatest circumference.

A careful calculation of the wealth of individual members of the Vanderbilt family makes the following exhibit:

Cornelius Vanderbilt	\$110,000,000
William K. Vanderbilt	85,000,000
Frederick W. Vanderbilt	16,000,000
George W. Vanderbilt	15,000,000
Mrs. Elliott F. Shepard	12,000,000
Mrs. William D. Sloane	1,000,000
Mrs. Hamilton McK. Twombly	12,000,000
Mrs. W. Seward Webb	12,000,000

Total. \$274,000,000

The wealth of the Vanderbilt family, comprising only eight persons, is greater than that of any other individual family in the world. The Rothschilds are worth altogether about \$1,000,000,000, but their wealth is scattered among a great many separate families and distant relatives. Cornelius Vanderbilt is the wealthiest individual in the world. The fortune of the richest individual Rothschild is not estimated at above \$75,000,000.

As a rule great fortunes are overestimated. The figures here given are carefully prepared from authentic sources, and are as nearly correct as it is possible to make them. They are in no instance excessive.

William H. Vanderbilt left \$10,000,000 to each of his eight children and a special legacy of \$2,000,000 to his son Cornelius. Then he directed the residue, which amounted to about \$120,000,000, to be divided equally between his sons Cornelius and William K.

The following shows how the Vanderbilt wealth, if kept intact, will increase in the lapse of years at the regular rate of 5 per cent., compounding the interest semi-annually:

Principal at	Interest
One year.....	\$287,800.00
Five years.....	340,720.00
Ten years.....	448,940.00
Twenty-five years.....	941,393.00
Fifty years.....	3,233,172.00

All of the Vanderbilts are likely to live twenty-five years longer, and their individual fortunes, computing the interest at 5 per cent. and compounding it semi-annually, will at the end of that time be as follows:

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### How a Statue Is Created.

A vague idea prevails as to how a sculptor works out a statue. The truth is this: The artist puts the conception as nearly as possible into a material form by the aid of clay. A plaster cast is then taken of that. By this time deft mechanics have a block of marble, "square and out of mind," in the most perfect manner. Then the cast is set alongside, and by means of square and rule and callipers the model is copied point by point. The mass is hewn from the block rapidly until a general outline is reached. Then the mechanic proceeds with more skill and care, and gradually reduces it until the exact image of the original model is reached. Then a still more skillful artisan undertakes it, and does almost marvels under the artist's personal direction.

At last the artist puts on the finishing touches, which give the individuality, the excellence, the semblance of the person modeled after, or which conveys the idea that the artist has fancied into creation. A statue, like other works of art, is but a vehicle, as it were, to transport the thought that generated in the artist's mind, and was modeled and rounded into a perfection by his perseverance that delights aesthetics and others in proportion as they understand it. These finer touches can be done by none but the designer, for he cannot instruct others what he wants.

A faint characteristic, a delicate lineament, a slight indication of a line will make or mar by imparting an expression desired or not. So the artist must take the chisel, and study and carve and study and study until the block is the incarnation of the thing formulated in the artist's mind.—*Harriet Hosmer.*

CREMATION is still illegal in France, and bodies have to be taken to Italy for the purpose. A Parisian was carried to Milan for incineration, according to the direction of his will, when the Italian customs authorities levied \$70 import duty on the body when it entered the country, and charged the same export duty when the ashes were taken back to France.

ESCALAPIUS began practicing medicine when an infant, which gave rise to the song: "M. D. is the cradle, baby's gone."

### Work of the Hermit People.

An interesting collection of the productions of the Coreans has been brought to England, and is now in the Kew museum. Like the Japanese, these little-known people make an extensive use, in their few industries, of paper, which is made from the bark of the paper mulberry. This collection includes various white or cream-colored papers for drawing, writing, wrapping, etc., with fans and hand-screens of paper and bamboo, oiled-paper tobacco-pouches and hat-coverings, paper kites with bamboo frames, sun blinds of bamboo split into thread-like strips, and fine clothing—such as undershirts and cuffs—of split rattans. Very fine work is displayed in some of the articles.—*Arkansas Traveler.*

### The Chill Blast

That sets the naked branches quivering is not felt by the wealthy valetudinarian indoors, but not all the covering that can be piled on his warm bed, nor all the furnace heat that anthracite can furnish, will warm his marrow when chills and fevers run his icy fingers along his spinal column. Hostetter's Stomach Bitters is the thing to infuse new warmth into his chilled and aguish frame, to remedy the fierce fever and exhausting sweats which alternate with the chills. Dumb ague, ague cake, bilious remittent—in short, every known form of malarial disease is subjugated by this potent, and at the same time, wholesome, and genial medicine. Biliousness, constipation, dyspepsia, sick headaches, loss of appetite and sleep, kidney trouble, rheumatism, and debility are also remedied by it. Use it with persistence to affect a thorough cure.

### William's Bad Ear.

"The Emperor William of Germany turns a deaf ear to the petitions to reduce taxation," remarked Smith, who was reading a morning paper.

"He does, eh? Well, that must be the ear he has to keep cotton in," replied Mrs. Smith, who is of a practical turn of mind.

### Are You Going to the Conference?

The Louisville, New Albany and Chicago Ry. (Monon Route), with its usual enterprise, will sell excursion tickets from Chicago, Michigan City, and the Northwest, at a special low rate of one and one-third fare for the round trip, to those desiring to attend the meeting of the Prohibition National Executive Committee, which will be held in Louisville, Ky., commencing Feb. 13, 1889. For rates and full particulars, address E. O. McCormick, G. P. A., 185 Dearborn street, Chicago.

AN enormous wave is reported to have struck the beach at Baracora, in Cuba, recently, and flowed inland for a distance of 400 feet before it retired. It destroyed in its course nearly 200 huts and houses, but happily no lives, as the inhabitants saw it coming and fled to the nearest hill. Curiously enough, the wave was neither tidal nor due to an earthquake disturbance, but, it is stated, to a north wind which had blown for three successive days.

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