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**AN OLD WALL STREET BOSS.**  
The Rise and Fall of Wm. H. Vanderbilt's Rival.

Harry Hill writes in the New York Sunday Mercury: "The recent wipout of the 'king of the street' and 'darin' man who ever attempted to rule and has been ruined by 'the street,' Henry Villard, naturally suggests the thought of how many men before him have had similar experiences. But of all the so-called 'kings of the street' who have been 'wiped out,' perhaps the most rapid in his rise and most tremendous in his fall was John M. Tobin, a man already forgotten by the many, and remembered by the few as only a name. Yet at one time, and within the memory of men still living, John M. Tobin was as much talked about as Jay Gould to-day. John got his start as a protégé of old Commodore Vanderbilt, and made the old Commodore's acquaintance in a peculiar, off-handed fashion, characteristic of both parties. Vanderbilt at that time was running the Staten Island ferry, and was getting rich fast. He attended to the ferry business in person and 'played it for all it was worth' to Vanderbilt. One day, while at the Staten Island end of the line a young chap walked into the office and walked into the office and inquired for the Commodore. The young chap was rather flashily dressed, had a diamond pin and a gold watch chain, and wore gloves. His manners were free and easy, and he was smoking a cigar. He didn't look a bit like an applicant for work, yet that was his proud position at that moment. He wanted a job on the ferry, and he told Vanderbilt so. The old Commodore, as is well known, was a keen judge of human nature, and boasted with truth that he was never mistaken in his man. He gave the young chap a searching glance, and liked what he saw, for he saw a good deal of stuff in him, besides his loud dress and his swagger. 'What's your name, sonny?' asked Vanderbilt. 'My name is John M. Tobin,' replied the young man. 'What do you want, and what can you do?' 'My name's John M. Tobin,' replied 'sonny.' 'I want work and money, and can do everything I am told to do and paid for doing.' If he had quoted a whole book of 'elegant extracts,' he couldn't have pleased the old Commodore as well as by this comprehensive, terse answer. 'Have you any experience in boats?' asked the Commodore. 'No,' replied Tobin, 'but that will come in time if you give me a trial.' 'Have you any family or friends,' asked the Commodore. 'No,' answered Tobin; 'I have no family in the world but what I have on my back and in my head.' 'Well, sonny,' said the delighted Commodore, 'who was lookin' then for just such a man as you a trial, and the two men got down to business at once. Before he left the office that day, JOHN M. TOBIN.

Was engaged to 'run' one of the Staten Island ferries. Vanderbilt's bill gave him his instructions in a few words. 'Young man,' he said 'you are to take the tickets and allow nobody on any pretense to ride free. There are no deadheads on these boats, and you are to start precisely and always on time. These boats wait for nobody. 'All right,' answered Tobin, and the interview which decided his career was over. The very next day he commenced his new vocation. The first week of Tobin's career brought an incident. A young man wanted to ride on Tobin's boat free because his name was William H. Vanderbilt and his father owned the ferry. This was a good reason in itself, but it wasn't arranged for in Tobin's instructions, so he insisted on young William's payin' his fare, and young William paid it under protest. The story came to old Vanderbilt's ears, tickled him immensely, made him more attached to his protégé, and led to Tobin's rapid advancement in the confidence of the Commodore. Soth John M. Tobin became known as the Commodore's pet, and expanded from ferrymen into financiers began to 'operate' in the street for Vanderbilt, and then through Vanderbilt's lead, on his own account. In a little while he became known as the most eccentric, darin' and unscrupulous of Wall street operators, and that is sayin' a great deal. At one time he was much more in the older Vanderbilt's confidence than his son William, who had to take a back seat. In fact, in point of sheer pluck and ability, William H. Vanderbilt was nowhere compared to John M. Tobin. In less than two months Tobin made, on the Vanderbilt stocks, over two millions of dollars clear profit and clean cash. He had WONDERFUL NERVE;

Nothing staggered him; and in his boldness lay his success. His financial darin' took the breath away from the average financiers, and before they had recovered from the shock of astonishment the 'operation' had been carried through. He lacked patience and prudence; these were not in his line; but for audacity and brilliancy he has been equalled only by Jim Fisk. Tobin, in fact, was a good deal like Jim Fisk, and when he had made his money spent it in Fisk's way. He was great on 'style' and show. One of his first 'splurges' was in a satelined coach, one of the finest of its kind in this country. Then he took to givin' the parties, and took to gamblin'. The darin' and gamblin' fetched him. He was a more darin' card player than Ben Wood. It is claimed that he lost more money in a single night than any other man in America. The elder Vanderbilt remonstrated with John, but it was of no use. He was resolved to go his gamin' way. He had had half the prudence and common sense of the slow, plodding William H. Vanderbilt, John M. Tobin would have been a man to-day. But prosperity turned his head, and the financial genius became a personal fool. At last the end came, that end which with such men as Tobin is only a question of time. He quarreled with the Commodore, and the night after the quarrel risked all he had in the world on a game of

cards. He lost the game, and the next mornin' found that his removal from his place on the Vanderbilt roads had been determined on, his appointed successor bein' the man who had always been, to a certain extent, his rival, William H. Vanderbilt. He made one desperate effort to retrieve his fortunes—tried to see the old Commodore in vain, tried to borrow money from his former friends in vain—and then, in despair, about four o'clock one afternoon, left Wall street forever. He never entered 'the street' again; took to drinkin' more heavily than ever; 'disappeared' at last, then turned up as a tramp and 'revolver' or station-house lodger, got the rounds of the station-houses, and is now, I believe dead. Such was the career of a man who was once a king of the street, but who was 'wiped out.' There are more 'kings' who are yet to be 'wiped out.'

**Vigilantes Organized.**

We have mentioned heretofore the fact that the stock of Mr. Charles Barzee, who resides at Wasco, in this county, had been poisoned, and that suspicion rested upon a certain person. The following, which we publish verbatim, was sent us from Wasco, by Mr. Carlock:

JANUARY, 22d, 1884.

W. E. Carlock and Wife:

We, the First Wasco Vigilantes, being fully satisfied that you are the parties who poisoned the stock belonging to Charles Barzee, hereby give you notice to leave the county of Wasco within three days from date—9 A. M., Jan. 22d, 1884, and never be found within the limits of said county thereafter. If found within said county after 9 A. M., Jan. 25th, swift and sure will be the justice visited upon you.

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Blinks—"I see by the papers that there is a clock in the postoffice in Monmouth, Oregon, which was brought across the plains in 1852, and has been running ever since."

Minks—"Nothing remarkable about that."

Blinks—"Nothing remarkable?"

Minks—"No. I crossed the plains in 1852."

Blinks—"Well, what of that? This clock was taken across the plains in that year and has been running ever since."

Minks—"Exactly. That clock was probably with our party. We were attacked by the Indians, and I don't wonder it has been running ever since. I feel like running myself every time I think of it.—*Philadelphia Call.*

Thomas H. Williams, Jr., of Stockton, Cal., having begun to buy cats with the purpose of exterminating the gophers that are laying waste the fields of alfalfa on Union Island, the Sacramento Union tells a pertinent story: Shortly after the discovery of the Comstock mines an old gentleman was unable to meet a mortgage of \$1,500 on his place on Mormon Island. A stranger, stopping at his door, saw several pretty kittens playing in the yard. He said: "Those cats, if you had them on the Comstock, would bring you \$20 apiece." The old man saddled his horse, and for the next fortnight rode from house to house, farm to farm, and village to village, begging and buying cats. He got 500 and sold them on the Comstock, and after he had paid off his mortgage and put in bank \$500 clear, he told his neighbors why he had wanted cats. They no longer deemed him crazy on cats.

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