

CABIN BUILT BY GENERAL GRANT

Hardscrabble House to be Exhibited at St. Louis.

PRESERVED AS MEMORIAL.

Exposition Director Buys It and Will Re-Erect It on the Fair Grounds.

Special Correspondence.

St. Louis, March 21.—Notable among the historic attractions at the Louisiana Purchase exposition will be Hardscrabble House, the log cabin built and occupied by General Grant, which has lately been purchased by C. F. Blanke, an exposition director, and will be re-erected in Forest park, where it is planned to have it remain as a permanent memorial to the famous soldier, particularly recalling the dark days when he was struggling against adverse fate to make a living for himself and family as a Missouri farmer. No more striking will the contrast be between this humble little cabin of logs built by his own hands and the towering and gorgeous palaces of the world's fair than was the contrast in the conditions of the man who within a decade from the time he left Hardscrabble cabin with plain penmanship and a recognized failure as a farmer stepped into the White House at Washington as the chief executive of the nation. But some tremendously significant events occurred in that decade in which the one time poor and almost despondent farmer played a conspicuous part. Of these events all the world knows. Perhaps it does not know so much of the long, tedious,

heretofore years of struggle which this primitive log structure represents. "Hardscrabble House," which Ulysses S. Grant chose to call the first home of his own, was built by his own hands in the fall of 1855 on a portion of the estate of Colonel Frederick Dent, his father-in-law, out on the old Gravois read nine miles from this city, where it stood for nearly half a century. The place was appropriately named, for here young Grant, who had just resigned from the army after having graduated from West Point and fought bravely through the Mexican war, had a hard scrabble to support himself and family. A few years before his resignation, then a gallant young lieutenant stationed at Jefferson barracks, he had courted and married the daughter of Colonel Dent. Later he was transferred to Sacket's Harbor, N. Y., subsequently to Fort Vancouver, on the northern Pacific coast, and thence to Fort Humboldt, Cal., 200 miles above San Francisco. His pay as an army officer was small, much less than army officers of the same rank had received. He could not take his wife and little son, now General Frederick Dent Grant, around the Horn to his distant post, and in those days a journey across the continent was for them out of the question. He sent Mrs. Grant and the child to his father's home in Ohio, and shortly after his departure a second son was born. Later Mrs. Grant and her children went to live at White Haven, her birthplace, the home of Colonel Dent.


But the young soldier loved his wife and babies, and the separation from them was unendurable. So while stationed on the Pacific coast in April, 1854, on the very day he had received a captain's commission, he tendered his resignation from the army, to take effect the last day of the July following. At the expiration of that time he started east, going first to his early home in Ohio, where he soon had been received rather coldly by his father, who is said to have been deeply humiliated by his eldest son's retirement from the military service, in which he had expected him to win glory and renown. These came later. But that is another story.

After a brief visit with his parents, Capt. Grant came to St. Louis and rejoined his family at Col. Dent's home. Thirty-two years of age, with a wife and two children, one of whom he had never seen, he had abandoned the military profession and its pay and was facing the future without a cent. Thus Capt. Grant began the establishment of a home. Col. Dent settling aside a tract of about 80 acres on the old home farm for his use. He did not give Grant a deed to the land. He simply, for Julia's sake, gave the Mexican war veteran permission to "take it and do what he pleased with it." Col. Dent, like Jesse Grant, was not well pleased with the man who had married his daughter. The colonel was a southerner, of considerable means, a successful, substantial citizen. Old neighbors of the Dent still recall uncomplimentary language used by Col. Dent in alluding to Capt. Grant.

But this did not discourage the ex-captain. It was sufficient that his wife loved him and approved of his course and cheerfully shared his hardships. That winter and the next spring and summer he cut wood, plowed for wheat, hoed corn, bound wheat behind the keens of his father-in-law's darky slaves and was a farmer's man of all work. He had worked on a farm in his boyhood and was not ashamed of honest toil.

In the late fall of 1855, the harvest over, Grant began the work of cutting trees from which to build the timber of the log house that was to be his home. He worked early and late. Oak and elm fell before his onslaught. He fought it out on that line all the fall and at last was ready for "the battle."

There are many venerable citizens of St. Louis who recall with fond recollection the house raisings of those old days. When the pioneer had felled his logs and hauled them to the site of his future home, he went through the countryside notifying his neighbors that upon a certain day "the raising" would take place. Bright and early came the neighbors to assist the house builder in raising the timbers into place. There was a dinner spread on the ground, and hard cider and ginger cakes kept the workers cheerful.



THE CITY'S DEATH RATE.

Mortality for March Lower Than for Six Months—Contagion Decreasing.

With a record of 25 days cloudy and partly cloudy, the month of March has passed into the records of the health department with a death rate lower than for six months (excepting January); a birth rate higher than any one month in many years, a gratifying decrease in the number of cases of scarlet fever and diphtheria (diseases particularly kindred to children), a decrease of 16 deaths as compared with the preceding month, and 8 less than the same month last year, and a decrease of 13 deaths among children under five years of age.

The total mortality for the month of March was 67 deaths, representing an annual death rate of 19.72 per 1,000 of the estimated population. The deceased were 40 males and 27 females; 66 were whites and one colored; 33 were natives of Utah, 13 were born in other parts of the United States, and 21 of foreign nativity; 26 were married, 34 were single and seven in the widow's state; 15 died before five years had been attained, 13 died between the ages of 5 and 23, 16 between the ages of 25 and 45, and 23 died between the ages of 45 and 85. Pneumonia claimed 11 victims, of which four were under the age of five; 10 cases of diphtheria resulted fatally, and there were four deaths each from tuberculosis and cancer.

The births reported for the month represent an annual birth rate of 25.76 per 1,000 of the estimated population. There were 161 reported; 91 males and 70 females, all white.

The contagious and infectious diseases for the month were 175, of which the principal ones were: Smallpox, 92; diphtheria, 37; 15 cases of scarlet fever; 18 of chickenpox; 8 measles, and 4 typhoid fever.

made of red velvet comete. A gray amazon slightly tinged with red at its extremity partly encircles the low crown, to hang down finally in a loop behind the left ear.

Sky-blue, pink, green and black are combined in a medium-sized hat intended for early spring. The shape is covered smooth with blue satin and bordered with a double quilling made of tulle to match, frayed out at the edges. The trim, which rolls at the side, is, as it were, faced by a long black ostrich feather fastened in front by a rosette to match the quilling. A coron or garland of pink anemones with their pale green leaves encircle the crown, its two ends falling down in the neck behind over loops of black velvet.

A theater hat of plateau form tilted toward the right by a high bandeau, covered entirely and faced with very narrow crosscut folds of rose-tinted pink illusion. On the outside lies a large spray of pink orchids, the pink in the flowers being slightly tinged with mauve. The bandeau is covered with a quilling of satin ribbon to match the flowers, and over the left ear is attached a paradise tail dyed to match the tulle.—Millinery Trade Review.

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