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MANY FRIENDS TAKE A LAST LOOK AT THE FACE OF THE DEAD EX-PRESI-DENT ARTHUR. Yesterday morning, in order that inti-

mate friends who called at ex-President Arthur's house might not have to go away without looking at the face of the dead, and for the further purpose of sparing the family such intrusion upon their privacy as would be necessarily attendant upon visits to the upper floor, the body of the dead General was brought down to the parlor. That room had already been darkened and draped. The receptacle containing the body was placed so that the face was lighted by the rays from the chandelier, while a pall fell in heavy folds to the floor on all sides. The body was clothed in white vestments, which were gathered in folds at the breast and shoulders. When all was ready for view Miss Nellie Arthur entered the parlor with a bunch of violets, which she placed with her own hands upon her father's breast, among the snow-white folds. Then the body was inclosed again, and a wreath and a

boreast, among the show-white loids. Then the body was inclosed again, and a wreath and a bunch of lilies of the valey, both furnished by the family, were put upon the pall.

There were callers at the house from early in the day until a late hour. Many simply left cards and messages of sympathy. Nearly all who passed within were permitted to go into the parlor. It was the common remark that the face looked far better than was to have been expected, and, as all other signs of the wasting effects of the disease were concealed by the manner of arraying the body, there was nothing in its appearance to shock the ex-President's friends.

Among the callers were James Rudolph Garfield and Harry Augustus Garfield, Robert T. Lincoln, Perry Belmont, G. L. Rives, James L. Nevius, Mrs. Lawrence Turnure, Archbishop Corrigan, the Rev. Charles E. McDonnell, Samuel M. Blatchford, James McMullen, Charles P. Daly, Francis F. Marbury, Mrs. Henry Charles Hepburn, Edmund Warren, W. A. Benthuysen, the Rev. Dr. A. H. Burlingham, Allen Thorndike Rice, William W. Thomas, ex-Minister to Sweden, and Charles A. Dana.

Telegrams of condolence continue to be received. The following were among those which arrived yesterday:

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arrived yesterday: WASHINGTON, Nov. 20. Chester A. Arthur, Jr.:
Chief-Justice Waite, Justice Harlan, Justice Gray, and myself will attend the funeral at the church.
SAMUEL BLATCHFORD.

##rs. John E. McElroy:
Please accept our deep condolence and sincere
sympathy in your recent bereavement.
Mr. and Mme. KUKI. III. LEXINGTON, Va., Nov. 20. Mrs. J. E. McElroy:
Our deepest sympathies are with you. Have written to Albany.
J. RANDOLPH TUCKER.

IV.

II.

Washington, Nov. 20.

ELMIRA, Nov. 20.

Rastus S. Ransom:

I expect to leave here Sunday so as to attend President Arthur's funeral. DAVID B. HILL.

The determination of the family to have a private funeral was either so little understood or was supposed to have been announced with so many reservations that it became necessary yesterday for Col. McMichael, Private Secretary Reed, and the others in charge at the house to systematize their management by establishing in the basement of the house an office in which to receive delegations to answer applicants for a place or part in the last ceremonies, and to dispose of endless details that have arisen with the occasion. The matters needing attention from the office were so varied and pressing that in the afternoon Col. McMichael was forced to write a statement which was presented to all who called late in the day and in the evening in a representative capacity. This is what he wrote:

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"In response to various offers from different organizations to join in the cortége in uniform or otherwise, Mr. McMichael says that, appreciating the courtesy of these offers, he still is obliged to add that in order to prevent the obsequies of the ex-President from assuming an appearance of display it has been decided not to accept the tender of the formal participation of any military or civic organizations, as there is to be no parade, the funeral being private. No provision will be made for carrying to Albany any persons other than members of the family and the pall bearers. No committees or delegations of any kind will accompany the body, which will be taken by rail directly to the cemetery, beyond Albany, where the interment will take place."

This statement had the effect of relieving those in charge of many fruitless interruptions, and enabled them to make more rapid progress than before in matters of urgency. All preparations for the funeral were completed yesterday. Responses having come from those who had been invited to serve as pall bearers, the list was completed by dusk, and may now be definitely announced as follows:

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"Walter Q. Gresham, ex-Postmaster-General; Robort T. Lincoln, ex-Secretary of War; William E.
Chandler, ex-Secretary of the Navy; Frank Hatton,
ex-Postmaster-General; Benjamin Harris Brewster,
ex-Attorney-General; Philip H. Sheridan, Lieutenant-General of the Army; Cornelius R. Agnew, M.
D.; Cornelius N. Bliss; Robert G. Dun; Gen. George
H. Sharpe, Charles L. Tiffany, and Cornelius Vanderbilt."

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This evening the body will be dressed in a full evening suit, instead of in a frock suit as previously intended, and will be placed in its coffin. It will be exposed to view to friends only until to-morrow morning when, at 8:15 o'clock, the pall bearers will meet the family and relatives in the parlor. No one else will be admitted to the house, the scenes there being strictly private. From 8 o'clock until 8:30, the latter hour; being the time when the funeral party will leave the house for the Church of the Heavenly Rest, travel will be diverted from the block in Lexington-avenue on which the house stands. The funeral procession, still maintaining its private character, will move up Lexington-avenue and enter Fifth-avenue from Forty-seventh-street, proceeding thence to the church, two blocks below. From 8 o'clock until 10, when it is supposed the services will be concluded, only those holding cards of admission to the church will be allowed upon Fifth-avenue, between Forty-fifth and Forty-seventh streets.

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The church will be draped with a fiag and mourning bands at the entrance and with black coverings at the chancel and lectern. As the funeral party passes into the church the choir will sing as a processional hymn, "Asleep in Jesus, blessed sleep." The Rev. D. Pierpont Morgan and the Rev. W. A. Leonard, of Washington, will lead the procession to the chancel. "Lord, let me know my end" will be sung as the opening anthem. Then will follow the lesson and "Nearer my God to Thee." While the ritual service proceeds "I heard a voice from Heaven" and "Art thou weary, art thou languid" will be sung. The only departure from the regular burial service will be a brief eulogy by the Rev. Mr. Leonard. At the close of the ceremonies the choir will sing as a recessional, "Abide with me, fast falls the eventide."

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During the services batteries from Governor's Island and the sallors and Marine Corps at the navy yard will form on the west side of Fifth-avenue, the right resting on Forty-fifth-street. These detachments will act as escort to the funeral procession from the church to the Grand Central Station. The station will be entered from Vanderbilt-avenue, opposite Forty-fourth-street, and no one but the family, pall bearers, and immediate friends will be allowed within the station until the funeral train, which will consist of but two drawing room cars, shall have started on its lourney. It is probable that the train will start by 10:30 o'clock. As it will proceed direct to the cemetery, where there will be no services save the commitment, the family will doubtless be home again before dusk.

The attendance at the church is likely to tax its capacity. While declining representative tributes, Col. McMichael and his associates are trying to find places for all who have been designated by prominent bodies to attend the funeral. The President and such of his Cabinet as come on will of course be given places at the church, as will the Mayor and the heads of departments. Speaker Carlisle has designated the following Committe of the House to attend the funeral: Frank Hiscock, A. S. Hewitt, W. D. Kelley, W. M. Springer, Thomas B. Reed, Olin Wellborn, W. W. Phelps, C. C. Matson, John D. Long, Daniel Ermentrout, Robert R. Hitt, Beriah Wilkins, and John T. Heard.

The Produce Exchange will be represented at the funeral by President James McGee, Vice-President W. D. Morgan, David Dows, H. O. Armour, Franklin Woodruff, ex-Mayor Franklin Edson, J. H. Herrick, Edward Hincken, E. R. Livermore, R. H. Laimbeer, H. H. Rogers, C. R. Hickox, A. F. Roberts, T. I. Husted, and Leonard Hazelton.

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The Coffee Exchange yesterday appointed to attend the funeral T. T. Barr, Joseph J. O'Donohue, S. G. Arnold, James N. Jarvie, Louis Seligsberg, J. T. Randall, and John F. Scott.

The Stock Exchange will take action at the next meeting of the Governors.

John Winslow, S. B. Dutcher, Demas Strong, Benjamin Estes, Jesse Johnson, T. D. Mosscrop. Joseph F. Knapp, W. H. Waring, James H. Taylor, Timothy L. Woodruff, Henderson Benedict, J. S. T. Stranahan, W. H. Lyon, John Bliss, John French, Franklin Woodruff, R. D. Benedict, Leonard Moody, A. J. Perry, N. J. Gates, W. H. Leayeraft, W. H. Barker, and F. M. Edgerton were appointed last evening by the Directors of the Brooklyn Republican League to attend the Interal.

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The Republican Executive Committee of this city resolved last night to attend the funeral in a body.

The columns in front of the City Hall were draped in mourning yesterday.

Dr. Peters's certificate of the death of the ex-President was filed yesterday at Sanitary Headquarters. The causes of death were, first. Bright's disease, duration four months; second, enlarged, fatty heart; third, cerebral apoplexy, duration 20 hours. The place of interment named was the Rural Cemetery, Albany.

Resolutions adopted by the Republican Club last evening spoke of the ex-President as "one

who was a noble exemplar of all that constitutes true manhood, while his calm judgment and wisdom in administering the affairs of state were admired and commended by all." A committee of 20 members of the club will attend the funeral.

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Boston, Nov. 20.—The commissioned officers and eight members of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company, of which ex-President Arthur was an honorary member, will attend his funeral on Monday. Resolutions adopted at a meeting of the company in Faneuil Hall to-day say: "Born among the rugged hills of our own New-England, educated to honesty of purpose, independence of action, freedom of thought, and toleration toward all men, his great, generous, manly nature eminently fitted him for the high position to which he was so suddenly called, and the term of his Administration was filled with credit to himself and honor to his country. Courteous, affable, and yet dignified in his bearing, he was a noble example of an American citizen, unspoiled by rank, unsulled by office."

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