

H. G. MORSE DIES SUDDENLY.

President of the New York Shipbuilding Company Stricken with Apoplexy in J. P. Morgan's Office.

While in the office of J. P. Morgan & Co. about 2:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon Henry G. Morse, President of the New York Shipbuilding Company, Camden, N. J., which has offices at 1 Broadway, was fatally stricken with apoplexy. Earlier in the afternoon Mr. Morse came in to pay a social call on Edward T. Stotesbury, a partner of J. P. Morgan. After leaving he returned with a friend, and the two went into the inner office of Mr. Morgan to hold a private conversation. They had been in the room only a few minutes when the friend came out and said Mr. Morse was feeling ill. The latter was sitting at a table with his head in his hands and complaining of a heavy feeling in the back of his head.

Dr. N. N. Stark of 24 State Street was hurriedly called in, and at first said he thought Mr. Morse was suffering from indigestion. He advised him to remain in New York until he was better. He was taken in a private ambulance to the Astor House. He was unconscious when the hotel was reached, and died fifteen minutes later, despite the efforts of both Dr. W. H. Farrington, the house physician, and Dr. Stark. A telegram was immediately sent to the home of Mr. Morse at Woodbury, N. J.

Henry G. Morse was born in Poland, Ohio, April 10, 1850. After being graduated from the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in Troy in 1871 he became an engineer in the service of the Pennsylvania Railroad. For the five years following 1873 he was in the employ of the Wrought Iron Bridge Company, Canton, Ohio, and after that was a partner in the Morse Bridge Company, Youngstown, Ohio. Finally, after being for nine years President of the Edgemoor Bridge Works, Wilmington, Del., he went into shipbuilding. He was President of the Harlan & Hollingsworth Company, Wilmington, until 1898. Then he began the organization of the New York Shipbuilding Company. This company is not on the list of those that went into the big combination some time ago. The visit of Mr. Morse to the offices of J. P. Morgan was the cause of a rumor that the New York Shipbuilding Company's plant at Camden was going to be absorbed.

Henry G. Morse was prominent in New York City affairs. He was a member of many clubs, among them the Union League, the University Club, the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute Alumni Association, the American Society of Civil Engineers, the Engineers' Club, and the American Institute of Mechanical Engineers.

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