

he built up a greater, which he gave to us. Sometimes he brought us rare newspaper files, or small bits from estates which he settled. His most surprising gift was a large bundle of United States currency, most of which had been placed in his father's safe in Civil War days for people who could never be traced thereafter.

I have spoken at length of Mr. Hunnewell's gifts because no one would ever have heard of them from him. Toward the many libraries which enjoyed his bounty he always maintained the attitude that they were conferring the kindness by accepting the gifts. Entirely modest, he was without affectation or self-consciousness. If he made a mistake, as we all do in complicated bibliographical matters, he was the first to call attention to it, without a trace of an alibi. When we made mistakes he tried to convince us that we were right, or at least that the mistake was the best thing that could have happened. For these good qualities we loved him, and it will take us a long time to become accustomed to his absence. He is survived by his widow, the former Emeline Cushman Ticknor, to whom he was married on April 20, 1911; by a daughter, Mrs. Richard S. Scott; and by four sons, James, Thomas, William, and Richard.

C. K. S.

GEORGE ALBERT ZABRISKIE

George A. Zabriskie, a descendant of early Polish settlers and a native of New York City, was born on December 7, 1868, a son of John Albert and Martha L. (Knox) Zabriskie. He attended the public schools and entered the flour business in New York City in 1883. He was the representative of the Pillsbury company when Herbert Hoover appointed him national administrator of sugar and flour. For his work in this connection he was decorated by Belgium, Iceland,

and Poland. After the War he became a director of the Columbia Baking Company and president of the United States Sugar Association.

Mr. Zabriskie was a collector of art, books, and manuscripts, and a friend of any good historical cause. He was a member of the Grolier Club, the chairman of the membership committee of the Museum of the City of New York, and president of the New York Sons of the Revolution and of the New York Historical Society. He was always a delightful gentleman, and Mr. Vail at the Historical Society found him a kind, considerate, and helpful boss. It was in recognition of Mr. Zabriskie's success in the administration of the affairs of the Historical Society that he was elected to the American Antiquarian Society in April, 1940. Although we could never get him to come to a meeting, we found him a loyal and generous friend. For one of his famous series of Christmas gift books he reproduced our unique copy of *The Children's Friend* (New York, 1821).

Of late years Mr. Zabriskie spent much time in Florida, where in 1942 he received an LL.D. from Rollins College. His winter home was at Ormond Beach. There, on last January 2, he returned from a ride, lay down on a bed, and died. He was unmarried, and is survived by a brother, Edwin C. Zabriskie. At his funeral, in New York, Herbert Hoover and Thomas Streeter were honorary bearers. C. K. S.

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