

sympathetic heart. To the very last he interested himself in all the current matters of the day ; he was a great reader, and imparted his knowledge to a younger set always about him, with a modest joyousness and courtly manner, that always commanded the admiration and respect of his listeners. Two sons died in their early manhood, and his only daughter, Julia, a lovely woman, died in 1894, and rests beside the father she adored.

Mr. de Rham and Mr. Schmidt were very fond of whist, and played the game with great exactness, even when both were passed eighty. Their club—the Thursday Evening Whist Club—established in the early part of this century, met originally at Mr. Henry Laight's, and has continued ever since. I have in my possession, photographs taken in 1862, of the following members :

Dr. J. Augustine Smith, Alex. Duncan, Gouverneur Kemble, Wm. Kemble, H. C. de Rham, J. W. Schmidt, A. C. Rossire, A. P. Pilot, Mr. Bartlett, Sir Edward Cunard, Eugene Dutilh, Royal Phelps, W. B. Duncan, Aug. Belmont, Charles March, Mr. Kingsford, George Moke, Henry Chauncey, Wm. C. Pickersgill.