

WEALTHIEST GRAND DUKE DEAD

Ruler of Mecklenburg-Strelitz Owned
More Than Half His Country.

NEU-STRELITZ, Grand Duchy of Mecklenburg-Strelitz, May 30.—Grand Duke Friedrich Wilhelm died this morning. He had been confined to his bed for many months.

The ceremony of taking the oath of allegiance to the new Grand Duke by the troops took place this morning.

Friedrich Wilhelm I., Grand Duke of Mecklenburg-Strelitz, was probably the wealthiest of all the German sovereigns. More than one-half of the Grand Duchy, which comprises 1,131 square miles, was his private property, and will pass to his successor, Adolf Friedrich.

The Grand Duke was born on Oct. 17, 1819. He succeeded to the throne on the death of his father, in 1860. In 1843 he married a daughter of Adolphus, Duke of Cambridge, so that he was a brother-in-law of the late Duke of Cambridge and a relative by marriage of the British royal family.

The new Grand Duke, who was born in 1848, was married in 1877 to Princess Elizabeth of Anhalt.

DEATH LIST OF A DAY.

William R. Webster.

William R. Webster, a member of an old and well-known Brooklyn family, died yesterday at his home, 863 Carroll Street, that borough. He was born in Brooklyn seventy-three years ago and was a son of Hosea Webster, one of the first Presidents of the Brooklyn Savings Bank. Mr. Webster had a large estate at Oyster Bay, L. I., on which he lived for many years. Prior to that time he had been in business as a broker in Buffalo. Since 1883 he had lived on the Park Slope, Brooklyn. He was a member of the Montauk Club. Mrs. Webster, two sons, and two daughters survive him.

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