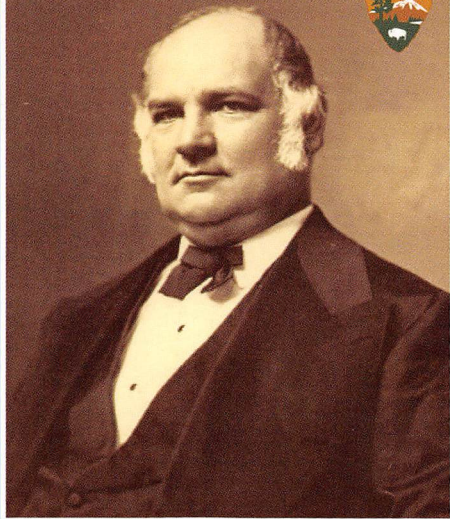NATIONAL
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Born: July 31, 1820 in Baltimore, Maryland
Died: September 26, 1884 in Deer Park, Maryland

In June 1864, Baltimore & Ohio Railroad President John Garrett learned of Confederate forces moving on Frederick, Maryland. He called on General Lew Wallace to strengthen Union defense of his railroad at Monocacy Junction. Garrett used his railroad to move troops from Baltimore to Frederick and informed officials in Washington, including President Lincoln, about the developing situation.

Monocacy National Battlefield