

Mary Eleanor Barney

(19 Aug 1830 - 28 Sep 1860)

Barney. In New York on the 28th inst., Mrs. Mary Eleanor Barney, daughter of the late Edward DeKrafft of Washington.

Barney. The funeral services of the late Mrs. Mary E. Barney will take place at the residence of her cousin, J.W. DeKrafft, No. 431 Eleventh st., tomorrow morning, 2d inst. at 10 o'clock. Her friends and those of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

The National Intelligencer, June 16, 1847

Married. In this city, on Monday the 14th inst. by the Rev. Mr. Butler, Samuel Chase Barney, U.S. Navy to Mary Eleanor, only daughter of the late Edward deKrafft, Esq.

The Evening Star, October 9, 1860

Orphans' Court

A case of some novelty and interest came before the Orphans' Court on Saturday last. It was an application for power of administration on the estate of the late Mrs. Chase Barney, who died in New York within a few days past. The application was made by Mr. Edward DeKrafft, cousin of deceased and was resisted by the friends of Mr. Chase Barney, who is not in Washington, but is expected from France in a very short time. The administration was asked on the ground that the lady had been divorced, and that the law of Maryland of 1804 making her husband administrator did not apply. It was resisted on the ground that the divorce, procured in Iowa on the 17th of August last, after only three months residence, was null and void, being contrary to the law of that State, which required six months residence; also on the ground that there is nothing whereon to administer; and, further, that the separate estate of the lady is responsible for debts due her husband. Time was asked by Mr. Barney's friends to await his arrival, and this was granted, the Court postponing the case until next Saturday week.

The Evening Star, December 11, 1860

Orphan's Court--Judge Purcell

In this court today was heard the petition of J.W. DeKrafft, asking that some person be appointed guardian of the children of the late Mary E. Barney, and that the husband (S. Chase Barney) be excluded from exercising any control of the children or their property, which application is founded on a divorce obtained by Mrs. Barney in the State of Iowa. The counsel for respondent take the ground that the divorce was fraudulently obtained, and therefore moved that the application be dismissed.

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The Children of Chase Barney

The case of DeKrafft against Barney, in relation to the guardianship of the children of the latter, was brought before the Orphans' Court on Saturday. The four children were present, and the decree of the French court surrendering them to the jurisdiction of this court was read. There was a large attendance

of the friends and relatives of the parties. The court was addressed by Mr. Davidge in behalf of Mr. Barney, and Messrs. Fendall and Bradley for Mr. DeKrafft; after which the case was adjourned to Tuesday next.

The Evening Star, March 4, 1863

The Barney Case

Yesterday, Mr. S.C. Barney, accompanied by his counsel, went to the Orphans' Court for the purpose of giving bonds as guardian to his children, the Circuit Court having reversed the decision of the Orphans' Court, but the court having adjourned they returned. A short time afterwards, Mr. Barney with officers Wise, Hughes, and Summers, went to the school of Miss Ross, 4 1/2 street, at which the children were, and took them, to the residence of his sister, Mrs. Rogers. The children at the time were under the guardianship of Dr. H. Lindsay, in whose house Miss Ross is a governess.