

J. Charles P.B. DeKrafft

(- 24 Jul 1804)

DeKraft. Died on Tuesday, the 24th instant, Charles DeKraft, Surveyor and Draftsman of the Treasury Department.

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The Old Presbyterian Cemetery

Undertaker Birch has just completed the re-removal from the Presbyterian cemetery of the dust of Baron J.P.C. deKrafft, a German dignitary who drew one of the most authentic maps of the District of Columbia now in existence. There are said to be at present but six of these maps in preservation, and they are in the possession of the Historical Society of Pennsylvania, the Historical Society of New York, the Georgetown College, the Peter Force collection at the Congressional Library and of Mr. Siebert of Washington. The baron, who died a day or two before his contemplated return to his native country, was buried in 1804. The remains of the baron's wife were also disinterred and reburied at the Congressional cemetery. Mr. Birch has also completed the removal of the bodies of thirty-four soldiers who fought in the wars previous to the last.

A well-known gentleman has become interested in the story of John Barnes who a century ago bequeathed \$2,000 to the city of Georgetown for the establishment of a poor house, and will start a subscription fund to be used in transferring the philanthropist's remains from the Presbyterian Graveyard to one whose dead will be undisturbed. Peter Beatty's remains will also be taken care of in a like manner. He was one of the original proprietors of the ground on which Georgetown now stands.