Rudolphus Dickinson

(28 Dec 1797 - 20 Mar 1849)

Biographical Directory of the United States Congress 1774-1989

A Representative from Ohio; born in Hatfield, Mass., December 28,1797; attended the public schools and Williams College, Williamston, Mass., 1818-1821; studied law; was admitted to the bar and commenced practice in Tiffin, Ohio; appointed prosecuting attorney for Seneca County in 1824, for Williams County in 1826, and for Sandusky County in 1827; moved to Lower Sandusky, Ohio, in 1826; served as member of the Board of Public Works of Ohio 1836-1845; elected as a Democrat to the 30th and 31st Congresses and served from March 4, 1847, until his death in Washington, D.C., on March 20, 1849; interment in Washington, D.C.; reinterment in Oakwood Cemetery, Fremont, Sandusky County, Ohio.

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Death of a Member of Congress

We regret to learn that the Hon. Rudolphus Dickinson, a Representative in the late Congress, and a Representative elect to the next Congress, from the State of Ohio, died in this city at four o'clock yesterday morning. His disease, as we understand, was congestion of the brain; and he had been confined to his bed for about five weeks. It is gratifying to know that some members of his family were with him in his last illness.

The funeral service will be performed in the Hall of the House of Representatives at half past twelve o'clock this day, and immediately thereafter the procession will move to the Congressional Burial ground. The following gentlemen have been appointed to act as Pall-Bearers:

Mr. Brown, of Miss. Mr. Bowlin, of Mo. Mr. Hubbard, of Conn. Mr. Bowdon, of Ala. Mr. Marsh, of Vermont Mr. Barrow, of Tenn. Mr. Marvin, of N.Y. Mr. Irvin, of Penn.

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The Senate

A message was yesterday received from the President of the United States, and the Senate proceeded to the consideration of Executive business. After a few minutes spent in secret session, the Senate proceeded to the House of Representatives to attend the funeral obsequies of the late Hon. Rudolphus Dickinson. On returning to the Senate chamber no further business was transacted than to adjourn until 12 o'clock today.

Funeral of Hon. Rudolphus Dickinson.

The Funeral Services over the remains of the Hon. Rudolphus Dickinson, a Member of the last Congress from the State of Ohio, were performed in the House of Representatives at noon yesterday in the presence of the President of the United States and several Heads of Departments, the Senate of the United States, members of the late House of Representatives who are still in the city of Washington, and a large number of residents and strangers. The Chaplain of the late House of Representatives, the Rev. R.R. Gurley, officiated. At the close of the services the Funeral cortege proceeded to the Congressional

Burial Ground, and the remains of the deceased were deposited in a tomb until the wishes of his friends as to the place of final interment can be ascertained.