

Charles C. Duncanson

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Among the prominent business houses in Washington none stand higher than Duncanson Bros., auctioneers, who have gained an enviable position by strict attention to business and integrity in all their transactions. The business of this firm is conducted by Charles C. Duncanson, who gives his personal attention to all business entrusted to him, and attends to the same promptly. This firm has the confidence of our business community, and we advise any and all of our readers who have business in their line to employ Duncanson Brothers.

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Court Directs Inquiry Into Mental Condition of C.C. Duncanson

By proceedings instituted today in the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia through Mr. A. Leftwich Sinclair, assistant corporation counsel, the fact was made public that Mr. Charles C. Duncanson, formerly a prominent business man of this city, is believed to be of unsound mind. Mr. Duncanson, it is explained, has been a patient at Providence Hospital for the past six weeks, and his wife, Mrs. Eliza H. Duncanson, now asks the court to hold an inquiry to determine her husband's mental condition, with the view of having him committed to the Government Hospital for the Insane for care and treatment.

Mrs. Duncanson's petition is in the usual form, and sets forth that Mr. Duncanson is supposedly a victim of dementia. Attorney Sinclair this afternoon presented the petition to Justice Barnard in the Probate Court, who directed that an inquiry be held at 1 o'clock next Friday afternoon. The court also appointed Dr. Z.T. Sowers and Dr. Wm. D. Hughes to examine the patient and submit their opinions regarding his condition at the hearing Friday.

Mr. Duncanson engaged in the real estate and auctioneering business in this city for many years.

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Adjudged To Be Insane

Court Passes Upon the Mental Capacity of C.C. Duncanson

After a hearing this afternoon Justice Barnard adjudged Charles C. Duncanson to be of unsound mind and signed an order that he be committed to the Government Hospital for the Insane for care and treatment.

Mr. Duncanson for many years conducted an auctioneering and real estate business in this city. Several days ago his wife petitioned the court to hold an inquiry to determine his mental condition.

Dr. Z.T. Sowers and Dr. Wm. Hughes testified at the hearing this afternoon that Mr. Duncanson is a victim of cerebral paresis. Former Judge C.C. Cole, who for a year past has represented Mr. Duncanson as attorney, gave evidence to the same effect.