

William H. Dundas

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Death of the Second Assistant Postmaster General

Wm. H. Dundas, late Assistant Postmaster General, died at his residence yesterday afternoon, at 3 1/2 o'clock, after a long and painful illness, aged sixty-eight years. Mr. Dundas was a native of Alexandria, Va., and in early life was a respected merchant in Baltimore, Md. He was appointed clerk in the General Post Office previous to the year 1830, where he remained until his death; having risen from an \$850 clerkship to the prominent and responsible position of Second Assistant Postmaster General, which post he had occupied upwards of eight years prior to his death.

The officers attached to the Post Office Department met at 2 p.m. yesterday, in the Auditor's office, Hon. Horatio King, acting Postmaster General, in the chair, to take action respecting the death of Second Assistant Postmaster General, Wm. H. Dundas.

The event was formally announced to the meeting by E.L. Childs, who gave a brief history of the public life of the deceased.

Resolutions were passed expressive of the sentiments of the meeting, and appreciative of the many public and private virtues of the deceased, and brief addresses were delivered.

The funeral of Mr. Dundas took place today at 2 p.m., at the Church of the Ascension, and was attended by a large concourse of friends.

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The Funeral of the Late Wm. H. Dundas, Second Assistant Postmaster General of the United States, took place at the Church of the Ascension yesterday afternoon at two o'clock, in the presence of a large assemblage of relatives and friends of the deceased. Rev. Drs. Pinkney and Buck officiated, and an appropriate sermon was preached by Dr. Pinkney, at the close of which he pronounced a feeling eulogy upon the character of the deceased. Nearly all the clerks of the Post Office Department were present, wearing mourning badges. The remains were interred in the Congressional Cemetery.