Auney May Eckert

(-8 Aug 1920)

Eckert. Sunday, August 8, 1920, at her residence, 468 M street s.w., Auney May, beloved wife of the late Richard J. Eckert. Funeral from her late residence, Wednesday, August 11, at 2 p.m. Relatives and friends invited to attend. Interment (private) at Congressional cemetery. (New York papers please copy).

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Mrs. Eckert's Petition

Applies for Appointment as Administratrix of Husband's Estate

Mrs. Auney M. Eckert, the widow of Richard J. Eckert, who lost his life at the time an engine and tender attached to a railroad train fell through the drawer of the Long bridge, today, through Attorney R. Golden Donaldson, petitioned the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia to appoint her administratrix of her husband's estate. Mrs. Eckert informs the court that her husband was killed in the Long bridge accident, that he left no will, no property and no debts, and that his only heirs-at-law and next of kin, besides herself are two children, one named George H. Eckert, who is fifteen years of age, and the other Arthur A. Eckert, who is thirteen years of age.

Mrs. Eckert says she has been advised by counsel that the estate of her husband has a just claim against certain railroad companies and adds "that by reason of the insecure and damaged condition of the bridge and drawer that the said drawer did, on or about the 19th day of October, 1903, give way from its fastenings while a certain steam locomotive and railroad cars were passing over said bridge, at which time the death of said deceased was caused through the negligence of said railroad companies."

The court is asked to appoint the widow administratrix in order that appropriate proceedings may be instituted by her to recover damages.