

## Florence C. George

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### **Mrs. George's Funeral**

#### **Burial Services Performed by Ladies of the G.A.R.**

The funeral services over the remains of Mrs. Florence C. George, conducted by the Rev. Dr. Newman, were held yesterday afternoon at the First Congregational Church in the presence of a large concourse of sorrowing friends. The altar was profusely decorated with flowers and palms and floral offerings of friends, and from headquarters of the Department of Potomac, G.A.R., Ladies of the G.A.R. and the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Union Veteran's Legion. At the close of the remarks of Dr. Newman, in which he feelingly portrayed the gentleness and goodness of the character of the deceased, and spoke of her loyalty and love of country and the ceaseless devotion of her talent and energies to the tenets of the orders of which she was a member for the help and betterment of the Union soldiers, the officers of the auxiliary read their burial services.

After the singing of "Nearer, My God, to Thee," Mrs. Nellie C. Royce, on behalf of U.S. Grant Circle, Ladies of the G.A.R., performed their flag service, and as a token of affection from the wives, mothers, daughters and sisters who freely gave their loved ones for the preservation of the Union, she placed a small silk flag on the breast of their departed sister, "over a heart so true and so loyal." At the Congressional cemetery the burial services of the Ladies of the G.A.R. were read by the officers of the circle.

Mrs. George was the first president of U.S. Grant Circle, and its secretary at the time of her death. She was elected three times national treasurer of the Ladies of the G.A.R., and at Buffalo, a year ago, she declined a re-election.

The following comrades of the G.A.R., in full uniform acted as pallbearers: M.M. Lewis, Dr. C.V. Petteys, Frank McKenna, George C. Johnstone, Phillip M. O'Bryon, D.H. Clark and Assistant Quartermaster General Fred G. Calvert.

**George.** On Thursday, December 29, 1898 at 4 o'clock p.m. the remains of the late Mrs. Florence C. George were removed from the vault and in the presence of her family interred at Congressional Cemetery.