Jacob Gideon

(12 May 1750 - 3 Mar 1841)

Gideon. Died in this city, on Wednesday evening, the 3d instant, Mr. Jacob Gideon, Sr., a soldier of the Revolution, aged 87 years. His friends and acquaintances and those of his son, Jacob Gideon, Jr. are requested to attend his funeral this morning, Friday at 11 o'clock, from the residence of his son, on 7th street, between E and F streets.

Ely, Selden Marvin, "The District of Columbia In The American Revolution and Patriots of the Revolutionary Period Who Are Interred in the District or In Arlington," Columbia Historical Society, Vol 21, pp. 128-154

The remains of Jacob Gideon, a revolutionary soldier, lie in Congressional Cemetery. He is of special interest also because two of his descendants, Philip F. and John B. Larner, are members of the Columbia Historical Society and the S.A.R. Jacob Gideon was a trumpeter and private in the Pennsylvania Militia. His name also appears in the index of "Eckenrode's Virginia Archives." The inscription on his monument, a marble slab, reads: "In memory of Jacob Gideon, a soldier of the revolution, died March 3, 1841 aged eighty-seven years."

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Robbing A Grave Yard

Some scoundrel or scoundrels on Saturday night last entered the Congressional Cemetery and robbed it of two beautiful marble figures--one from the family lot of Jacob Gideon, Esq., being a statue about three feet high, in a standing position, with the hands folded across the breast, representing, Meditation, the other from the family lot of George Parker, Esq., being the figure of an infant, about twenty inches long, reclining on its right arm and side.