

William A. Gunton

(- 1 Apr 1854)

Gunton. On the 1st instant, William A. Gunton in the 28th year of his age. The friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend his funeral from the residence of his father, Dr. William Gunton on this (Monday) afternoon at 3-1/2 o'clock without further notice.

The Evening Star, March 29, 1854

A Distressing Accident

As William Gunton, Jr., Esq., the son of Wm. Gunton, President of the Bank of Washington, was riding on horseback towards the steamboat wharf yesterday afternoon, a runaway horse and dray dashed his horse down at the corner of Maryland avenue and 11th street, pitching him upon a pile of bricks, and injuring him very seriously. He was conveyed immediately to a house nearby, where he remained until a late hour last night, when he was removed in an insensible condition to his father's residence on Pennsylvania avenue, at the corner of 9th street. We learn, further, that his condition continued most critical up to the hour at which we went to press today, when he was still insensible.

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Death of William Gunton

Mr. William Gunton, son of Dr. Gunton, President of the Bank of Washington, died this morning at 8 o'clock from the injuries that he received a few days ago.

The National Intelligencer, April 24, 1854

Tribute of Respect

At a recent meeting of the vestry of St. John's Parish, held at St Barnabas Church, Prince George's county, a committee was appointed, consisting of the Rev. John Martin, Rector, Henry A. Callis, Esq., and Dr. John H. Bayne, who should prepare a set of resolutions expressive of the deep sense of the vestry and congregation at the lamented death of Mr. Wm. A. Gunton.

In accordance with the wishes of the vestry, the following preamble and resolutions were adopted:

Whereas it hath pleased God to remove from among us, by death, under circumstances peculiarly afflictive, Mr. Wm. A. Gunton, for several years a much esteemed member of this congregation and vestry and as we cherish in grateful recollection the many excellencies of his character, which secured to him the respect and affection of all with whom he has associated: It is, therefore--

Resolved, That, while we deeply mourn the loss of one whose youth, activity, and zeal gave promise of much usefulness among us, we desire to bow in humble submission to the will of Him "woe gave and who hath taken away."

Resolved, That we cordially sympathize with the bereaved family of the deceased, and tender them our sincere condolence in their affliction.

Resolved, As a testimony of our respect for his memory, that we will wear the customary badge of mourning for thirty days.