John F. Havenner

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Locals

The many friends of Mr. J.F. Havenner of Havenner's Bakery will regret to learn that he is lying at the point of death at his residence on 9th street below D s.w.

The Evening Star, March 21, 1881

Death of John F. Havenner

Mr. John F. Havenner, of the firm of B. Charleton & Co., successors of Havenner & Co., bakers, died at his residence on 9th street southwest, Saturday night in the 54th year of his age. Mr. Havenner was a son of the late Thomas Havenner, who was for many years the leading baker of the District. The deceased had been connected with the bakery since his boyhood. He was best known to our citizens as a leading Odd Fellow. He entered the order as a member of Eastern Lodge No. 7 and Magenenu Encampment No. 4, and passing through the chairs to vice grand he joined Washington Lodge No. 6 by card and again passed the chairs. He was admitted to the Grand Lodge of the District January 1, 1860; was elected grand representative November 9, 1863, and served in that office up to the present time, having been re-elected for the term of two years at the annual session of the Grand Lodge in July last. In the Sovereign Grand Lodge he has held many important positions, having been for a number of years chairman of the committee on the Degree of Rebekah, and at the time of his death was a member of the standing committee on printing supplies. He has been president of the I.O.O.F. Relief Association since its organization, a member of the board of trustees of Odd Fellows' Hall, a charter member of Naomi Lodge 9 (D. of R.) and has been instrumental in building up and maintaining the I.O.O.F. library and the I.O.O.F. choir. The Odd Fellows of the District, among whom he occupied many prominent positions of trust, will take charge of his funeral, which will take place tomorrow afternoon from Odd Fellows' Hall, and be attended by representatives from every Odd Fellows' organization in the District as well as by visiting brethren from Baltimore and Alexandria, Va. The Odd Fellows here have lost in Fred. Stuart, W.R. McLean, Hugh Latham and J.F. Havenner the brightest lights of the order in this District. Mr. Havenner had a host of friends, and his loss will be generally mourned.

The Arrangements for the Funeral

will be completed at a meeting of the various bodies of the order at Odd Fellows Hall, 7th street. The remains will be taken to the main saloon of the hall tomorrow at 10 o'clock and placed in charge of a guard from the uniformed battalion of Patriarchs, and the funeral services will take place at 2 o'clock. The remains will be in a handsome cloth covered casket, with silver extension handles and a plate, inscribed "John F. Havenner, died December 19th, in the 54th year of his age," and the insignia of the order. Rev. Parker H. Sweet representing the Odd Fellows, will participate in the services, as also Rev. R.N. Baer, of the Metropolitan M.E. church, and Rev. Dr. H.R. Naylor, former pastor of that church. The Odd Fellows choir will render the music, and the remains will be placed in the old family vault at Congressional cemetery. On the stage in the saloon a chapel has been set, with altar and the emblems of the order therein, and the corpse will be placed immediately in front of this.

The Evening Star, March 22, 1881

The late John F. Havenner Funeral Ceremonies Today

The remains of the late John F. Havenner, Grand Representative of the order of Odd Fellows, whose death at his residence on 9th street southwest, on Saturday night, was mentioned in The Star of yesterday, was this morning removed from his late residence to Odd Fellows' Hall under the supervision of Mr. Anthony Buchly, the undertaker. Here they were placed on a dais in front of the chapel, and a guard of honor from the battalion of Uniformed Patriarchs sat over them. There was a profusion of floral adornment in and about the casket. A beautiful lyre from his daughter, Mrs. Bettie McEwan, at the head; a floral star from his children, with the word "Papa," on the breast; an anchor from Mrs. W. McLean; a large cross with the letters F.L.T. from the Grand Lodge of the District; a monument from the employees of the Havenner bakery; pillow with three links from Eastern Lodge, No. 6; wreath and star from Central Lodge No. 1, and a garland from Washington Lodge, No. 6. During the morning there were large numbers of people passing in and out of the hall taking a last look at the face of the deceased. The funeral services took place at the hall at two o'clock, and they were attended by a large assemblage, including many of the old residents of the District and numbers of the order of Odd Fellows. The services were conducted by Rev. P.H. Sweet, on the part of the Odd Fellows, and Rev. R.N. Baer and H.R. Naylor the pastor and former pastor of Metropolitan M.E. Church, the Odd Fellows' choir rendering the music. The honorary pall-bearers, selected by the deceased over a year ago, were T.A. Ross, A.G., secretary, and J.E. McCahan, G.R., of Md.; J.T. Given, G.R.; J.T. Petty, G.R.; C.B.R. Colled, P.G.R.; J.H. Daniels, P.G.M.; J.E. Crampton, P.G., and J.E. Mason, D.G.M. The active pall-bearers were: M.D. Montis, Grand Lodge; T.T.W. Greer, G. Encampment; J.C. Stewart, Washington Lodge, No. 6; B.A. Kidder, Uniformed Patriarchs; E.H. Pearson, Mount Nebo Encampment, and S. Wise, representing the trustees of the Hall. The procession was formed in the following order: W.F. Weber & Brothers band; Uniformed Patriarchs, Commander Edward Dunn; Washington Lodge, No. 6, with members of sister Lodges; Mount Nebo Encampment, with members of subordinate Encampments; Grand Lodge, C.E. Wells, grand marshal; Grand Encampment, J.H. Shakelford, marshal; carriages containing the ministers; hearse; carriages containing the family and friends of deceased. The remains were taken to Congressional cemetery and placed in the family vault next to those of his deceased wife, who was a daughter of Justice Cooper, who died here a few years since.