Richmond Johnson

(1791 – 12 Mar 1874)

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The Late Drs. Johnson and Todd.

The Medical Society of the District held a meeting on Saturday night last, Dr. D.R. Hagner, vice president, in the chair, and Dr. Kleinschmidt secretary. The deaths of Drs. Richmond Johnson and Seth J. Todd were announced by the chair. Dr. Noble Young made a few eulogistic remarks, and spoke of the many admirable qualities of Dr. Richmond Johnson, whom he had known for years, and who was one of the oldest citizens of the District, having lived here since before the year 1800. He moved the appointment of a committee of three to draw up suitable resolutions. Drs. Young, Howard, and Lindsley were appointed a committee to draft suitable resolutions, which were subsequently reported and unanimously adopted.

The death of Dr. J. Seth Todd was announced by Dr. Liebermann, and the following committee: Drs. Liebermann, Lovejoy, and J.F. Thompson, prepared suitable resolutions, which were adopted.

History of the Medical Society of D.C.

Born 1791, Annapolis, Md. Not M.D. Surgeon's Mate, U.S. Navy 1812-14. Incorporator of the Society under the second charter. Died March 12, 1874. Came to Washington in 1800; educated at Washington Institute. Grand nephew of Thomas Johnson, the first Governor of Md. Studied medicine with Dr. Frederick May, supra. After the close of the War of 1812-14, practiced in Washington. Sometime chief clerk in office of Surgeon General, U.S. Army. One of the founders of the Medical Association, D.C. Consulting Physician to Western Cholera Hospital, 1832. See Minutes of Medical Society, March 14, 1874; Trans. A.M.A., 1874, XXV, p. 526; Busey's Reminiscences, p. 152.