John Linn

(3 Dec 1763 – 5 Jan 1821)

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The painful duty again devolves on us of announcing the decease of a Member of the National Legislature. The Hon. John Linn, a Member of the House of Representatives from the state of New Jersey, died yesterday afternoon, aged about 57 years, after an illness of two weeks. He was a man of amiable character, and has left at home, where he was best known, as well as here, a large number of warm friends to lament his unexpected departure.

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The Senate did not sit on Saturday.

The House of Representatives met at the usual hour, when Mr. Southard, of New Jersey, announced the decease of his colleague, the late Mr. Linn.

Mr. Southard also moved the customary resolutions -- to attend the funeral of the deceased at 3 o'clock of the same day; to wear mourning crape one month, as testimony of respect for his memory; and lastly, to adjourn -- all which were unanimously agreed to; and, after the appointment of the remaining members of the New Jersey Delegation as managers of the funeral arrangements, the House adjourned.

Divine service was performed at 2 o'clock in the Hall of the House of Representatives, wither the body of the deceased was carried, after which the funeral took place at the appointed hour, the following gentlemen acting as Pall Bearers: -- Mr. Hendricks, Mr. Fuller, Mr. Darlington, Mr. Williams, of Va.., Mr. Settle, Mr. Meigs.

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A Representative from New Jersey; born near Johnsonberg, Hardwick Township, Warren County, N.J., December 3, 1763; moved with his father to Sussex County, N.J.; attended the common schools; entered the Revolutionary Army as a private in the First Regiment, Captain Manning's Company; promoted to Sergeant; member of the State general assembly 1801-1804; judge of the court of common pleas 1805-1821; sheriff of Sussex County in 1812; elected to the 15th and 16th Congresses and served from March 4, 1817 until his death in Washington, D.C. January 5, 1821; interment in North Hardyston Cemetery, near Franklin Furnace, Sussex County, N.J.