Ann Maria Steiger

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In this city, on Sunday morning, the 4th instant, at 2 o'clock, Ann Maria S., consort of William Tell Steiger, Esq of the General Land Office, and daughter of the late Andrew Shriver, Esq. of Carroll county, Maryland, at the age of about 44 years. Her remains were yesterday interred in the Congressional burial grounds, attended by a large number of mourning relatives and friends.

Her malady was of such a nature as to render medical treatment of no avail. Of the existence of her disease, no decided symptoms had manifested themselves until several months previous to her deaths. Although confined during that period, she experienced but little acute pain, and died calmly, in the full possession of her mental faculties.

There were many traits in the character of the deceased, and many points in her history which will be embalmed in the recollection of her numerous relatives and friends, and which it will always be a melancholy pleasure to them to recur to. Few persons ever possessed in a more eminent degree all those qualities which impart a charm and an attraction to the domestic circle, or who in social intercourse generally, contributed more to the pleasure and enjoyment of their associates and acquaintances. In all the relations of life her deportment was most exemplary, and her kindness of heart and many other virtues made her an object of the strongest affection and regard with all those who knew her. The duties also of the head of a family she performed in the most affectionate and tender manner, and her departure has left a void in the affections of those most nearly allied to her which time can never fill up.

One of the brightest spots in her career, however, is that connected with her religious opinions and feelings, and her state of mind previous to and at the moment of her decease which were such as leave no doubt that she found in the Christian faith all the consolation she anticipated.