Daniel Sheffey Weightman

(-6 Feb 1849)

Weightman. At an early hour yesterday (Tuesday) morning 6th instant after a short illness, Daniel Sheffley Weightman, son of Roger Chew Weightman of this city in the 20th year of his age. His friends and the friends of the family are respectfully requested to attend the funeral without further notice at 12 o'clock noon today (Wednesday) from Miss Hanson's residence on Louisiana avenue.

The National Intelligencer, February 10, 1849 **Obituary**

The death of Mr. Daniel S. Weightman, of Washington, has made a void in the circle of his young acquaintances and friends which cannot easily be filled. Amiable in every situation, generous to a fault, scrupulous in regard to any act which might serve to compromise his character as a gentleman, he was by all who knew him beloved as a companion. He was a member of the present senior class at Nassau Hall, Princeton, and bade fair to graduate in June with honor to himself and friends, and with prospects of usefulness and distinction before him. This his classmates at college this wonderful dispensation of God will come with afflicting force; but, if they will recur to scenes enjoyed and hours passed in the company of their late friend, they will behold no act performed by him, no work accomplished, and no duty done which was not executed with gentlemanly propriety. He was a noble soul, and they may never look upon a nobler; but they will cherish the hours spent in his company as pleasant memories of other days. There are many who pass away from among us who leave dear friends behind them; but this affliction conveys greater intensity of sorrow to our hearts when we reflect upon the suddenness of the bereavement. Truly--

"None knew him but to love him,

None named him but to praise."

Peace to thy ashes, dear departed friend! That the sod be green above thy grave, and thy sleep be sweet and pleasant, is the prayer of him who offers this full tribute of affection to thy memory!