

James W. Whelpley **(1834 - 11 Aug 1918)**

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J.W. Whelpley Former Washingtonian Dies

Served as Assistant Treasurer of United States and for Years Member of Board of Education

J.W. Whelpley, formerly assistant treasurer of the United States and for thirteen years a member of the District board of education, died at Albany, N.Y., Sunday, following a long illness. The body is being brought to Washington for interment at Congressional cemetery. Funeral services will be held tomorrow morning in the chapel at Congressional cemetery.

Mr. Whelpley was eighty-five years of age and when serving here was among the oldest employes of the Treasury. He came to Washington in 1850, when Gen. Spinner was treasurer of the United States and during the civil war signed the greenbacks used as currency, no machines for printing them being then available. He was appointed assistant treasurer of the United States during Mr. Cleveland's first administration and served until 1895, leaving the Treasury to become vice president and later treasurer of the American Security and Trust Company here. He retired from active business three years ago.

Mr. Whelpley was elected president of the Washington board of education in 1885 and served as an officer and member until 1898. He worked earnestly for the building of the Eastern High School, realizing the need for a high school in that section of the city. He is survived by a son, J.I. Whelpley, who is with the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company, and who lives in Hyattsville, and also by three daughters, Louisa R. Whelpley, Margaret V. Whelpley and Mrs. J.W. Ballard.

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J.W. Whelpley's Funeral

Funeral services for J.W. Whelpley, formerly assistant secretary of the Treasury, who died in Albany, New York, Sunday, were held in the chapel at Congressional cemetery today at 1:30 p.m.