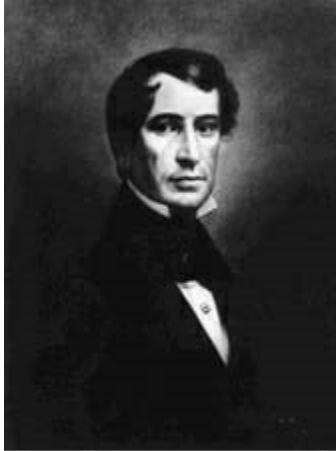


Richard Montgomery Young

(20 Feb 1798 – 28 Nov 1861)

Young. In this city, yesterday evening at half past 7 o'clock, Hon. Richard M. young, formerly of Illinois but for many years a resident of this city. His friends and those of the family are requested to attend his funeral tomorrow at 2 o'clock from the residence of his brother, Col. Colby Young, No. 5, Maine ave., Island.

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A Senator from Illinois; born in Fayette County, Ky., February 20, 1798; attended the country schools and Forest Hill Academy, Jessamine County, Kentucky; studied law and was admitted to the bar in Kentucky in 1816; member of the Kentucky Militia; moved to Illinois in 1817 and commenced the practice of law in Jonesboro; appointed captain in the Illinois Militia; member of the State house of representatives 1820-1822; served as circuit judge of the 5th circuit from 1825 to January 2, 1837, when he resigned having been elected to the U.S. Senate; elected as a Democrat to the U.S. Senate and served from March 4, 1837-March 3, 1843; member of the mission to England to negotiate a loan for the State of Illinois in 1839; associate justice of the State supreme court from 1843-1847 when he resigned; appointed by President Polk as Commissioner of the General Land Office and served from 1847 to 1849; Clerk of the National House of

Representatives from April 17, 1850 to March 4, 1851; resumed the practice of law in Washington, D.C. where he died November 28, 1861; interment in the Congressional Cemetery.