Charles Atkinson

(30 Oct 1850 - 6 Dec 1929)

Atkinson, Charles. On Friday, December 6, 1929, Charles Atkinson beloved father of Isabel A. Thompson and Ethel J. Atkinson. Funeral from Hines' Chapel, 14th and Harvard sts., at 2 o'clock Saturday, December 7. Friends invited.



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Charles Atkinson, Long III, Expires

Served as Clerk in Treasury Department Until Retirement 10 Years Ago

Charles Atkinson, a life-long resident of Washington and for 45 years a clerk in the Treasury Department, until his retirement 10 years ago, died at 2:15 o'clock this morning after a long illness. He was 79 years old.

Since the death of his wife, Mrs. Ida Atkinson, in 1923, Mr. Atkinson had been making his home with his daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Clinton R. Thompson of 1334 Farragut street. He had been an invalid for the last four years, and during the past month his condition became steadily worse.

Long Service as Clerk

The son of Robert J. Atkinson, an auditor in the Treasury before the Civil War, Mr. Atkinson was one of the best known retired clerks of that department. Mr. Atkinson's long service as clerk and teller was in the national bank reduction division, where old bank notes were redeemed.

Born in Carrollton, Ohio, October 30, 1850, he came to Washington as a child when his father was appointed to the Treasury. He was 11 years old at the outbreak of the Civil War and knew many of the public men and early residents of Washington during that interesting period.

Joined National Rifles

As a young man, Mr. Atkinson joined the old National Rifles, a military unit famous in its day. He was associated in the activities of that organization for many years with the late Capt. James F. Oyster, George Adams, Henry Small and other prominent Washingtonians. The National Rifles has been succeeded by the District National Guard.

Mr. Atkinson's son-in-law, Mr. Thompson, is secretary of the Washington Rapid Transit Co. and for many years was secretary to the late Senator Jacob H. Gallinger of New Hampshire, one time Republican leader of the Senate and chairman of the Senate District committee.

In addition to Mrs. Thompson, Mr. Atkinson is survived by another daughter, Miss Ethel J. Atkinson, of 2804 Fourteenth street, three sisters, the Misses Mattie, Emma and Hester Atkinson, and three grandchildren.

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Atkinson Funeral Service Held Today Retired Treasury Clerk Served 45 Years With Department --Long a Resident Here

Funeral services for Charles Atkinson, retired Treasury Clerk, who died yesterday after an illness of several years, were held this afternoon in Hines' chapel, Fourteenth and Harvard streets, with interment in Congressional Cemetery. Rev. John J. Queally officiated at the rites.

Mr. Atkinson was 45 years in the service of the Treasury Department and spent most of his 79 years in this city. He resided with a daughter, Mrs. Isabel A. Thompson of 1334 Farragut street, and is survived by another daughter, Miss Ethel J. Atkinson.