

William H. Bennett

(– 30 Aug 1874)

Bennett. Died at his late residence, No. 495 H street southwest, Sunday, at 12 o'clock, William H. Bennett, in the 25th year of his age. Death is at all times a solemn dispensation, and stands connected with the most fearful realities of human experience; but when it comes so suddenly to one in the prime of a vigorous life and surrounded by all the conditions of temporal happiness, as in the case of the departed, its visitation is rendered peculiarly distressing and painful, and should teach us the uncertainty of life and the necessity of being constantly prepared.

The deceased, in the various relations of life, manifested in an eminent degree those gentle and amiable qualities which never fail to excite and retain the earnest regard of the good and virtuous. As a husband he was loving and devoted; as a father, patient and affectionate; as a friend, faithful and obliging, and he added the fairer graces of a fervent Christian--faith and a meek unobtrusive piety. He bore his terrible sufferings with uncomplaining fortitude, and fell asleep in the blessed hope of a glorious immortality; thus, his relatives and friends though mourning his loss, have the consoling assurance that he has passed from the trying vicissitudes of time to a state of unchanging felicity in the eternal world. May He who doth not afflict willingly the children of men, sanctify this sad bereavement to the eternal good of those affected thereby, and when life's dull vanities are over bring them to join him in the fair fields of endless beatitude. His funeral will take place at 3 o'clock p.m. Tuesday, September 1st, from the Fifth Baptist Church, Virginia avenue southwest. The friends of the family are invited to attend.