

Alfred G. Bliss

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Memory of Dead Associate

Tribute to Late Chief Clerk of Internal Revenue Bureau

A meeting of the officers, clerks and employees of the office of internal revenue was held yesterday, to take action in reference to the death of Mr. Alfred G. Bliss, late chief clerk of that bureau. Resolutions were presented and unanimously adopted setting forth as the sentiment of those assembled that ""by an afflicting dispensation of Providence our associate, Mr. Alfred G. Bliss, late chief clerk of this bureau, has been taken from us, and after a period of extraordinary suffering, borne with manly fortitude, he has passed from life unto death.

"The officers, clerks and employees of this bureau, here assembled, deeply deplore the great loss which the office of internal revenue and we as individuals have sustained in the death of a valued officer and an esteemed and respected companion and friend.

"We recognized in our late associate a public official of no ordinary merit, one who was competent for the services required of him, from natural ability, from long experience and indefatigable labor; one who was ever faithful to duty and untiring in its performance. And we also recognize in him an upright man, of high character, exemplary in every walk of life; whose career has been that of a patriot soldier, a good citizen, a steadfast friend, a tender husband and parent; a man whose departure not only bows with grief those nearest to him, but brings to all who knew him a sense of bereavement, and of whom it may be fitly said that a good man, having done all of life's duties well, has gone on to his reward."

It was directed that the resolutions, with the assent of the proper authorities, be published in the ensuing issue of the treasury decisions, and that a copy be engrossed and presented to his family.

The resolutions were signed by G.W. Wilson, chairman, and John T. Bivins, secretary.

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Tenth Generation

Alfred G. Bliss, of Washington, D.C., (Son of Charles Bliss and Delia f. Garrett, of Collinsville, Conn.,) was born in Collinsville, July 27th, 1835, served three years in the Union army, in the Second Connecticut Heavy Artillery, during the great rebellion, and was afterwards a number of years employed in the Internal Revenue (Treasury) Department at Washington, where he attained the highest grade of clerkship. He was married in Winsted, Conn., in 1865, to Jennie D. Spencer, of that place (born March 31st, 1843,) a daughter of Harlow M. Spencer and Lucretia Crumb. Issue born in Washington:

Charles Alfred, born May 9, 1872

Flora Recie, born July 28, 1874

Annie Alice, born January 6, 1877

Douglass Spencer, born February 7, 1879