Andrew Jackson Brown (Sr.)

(-1 Nov 1904)

Brown. On Tuesday, November 1, 1904, at 1:20 o'clock a.m., Andrew J. Brown, Sr., in the 77th year of his age. The funeral of the late Andrew J. Brown will be held in the chapel at Congressional cemetery at 11 o'clock Friday, November 4, 1904. Friends are invited to attend.

Brown.

Headquarters of John A. Rawlins Post, G.A.R.

The death of Comrade Andrew J. Brown, late of Company C, 6th Battalion, D.C. Volunteers, is announced. Funeral Friday, 4th instant, at 10:30 o'clock a.m., from the chapel at the Congressional cemetery. Comrades will please attend. Pennsylvania avenue cars direct to cemetery entrance.

John Finn, Commander

James A. Allen, Adjutant

The Evening Star, November 5, 1904, p. 2 Funeral of A.J. Brown

Buried With the Rites of the Grand Army of the Republic

With the impressive burial services of the Grand Army of the Republic, the remains of Andrew J. Brown, sr., were interred yesterday at the Congressional cemetery. The religious services were conducted in the cemetery chapel by Rev. W.G. Davenport, rector of Emmanuel Episcopal Church of Anacostia. The members of John A. Rawlins Post, No. 1, G.A.R., headed by Senior Vice Commander Samuel W. Snow, were in immediate charge of the burial. The pallbearers were comrades Col. Dennis O'Conner, Col. Homer Riggs, Charles Boyd, W.S. Anderson, Mr. Brunthaver and James Lawler. Commander Snow was assisted at the services at the grave by Col. A.H. Nickerson, Charles Boyd and Col. Homer Riggs, and the "last taps" were sounded by Bugler W.W. Donnelly of the United States Marine Corps.

Andrew J. Brown died of pneumonia at Trimble Farm, Md., on November 1. He was born in this city in 1828. He served during the civil war as a private in Company C, 6th Battalion, District of Columbia Volunteers, enlisting on April 11, 1861, and when discharged was a sergeant in the same company. During the greater part of the last forty years he was employed at the Congressional cemetery. He is survived by a large family of sons and daughters.

The Evening Star, November 5, 1904, p. 11 Anacostia and Vicinity

Andrew J. Brown, a veteran of the civil war, died Wednesday at the home of his son, Andrew Brown, on Bowen road, where he was visiting. He was seventy-seven years of age, and was a member of John A. Rawlins Post, Grand Army of the Republic. During the war the deceased served with Company C, 6th Battalion, District Volunteers. His funeral was held yesterday morning from the chapel in Congressional cemetery. The remains were interred in that cemetery.

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"Spirit of Old House," at Nonesuch, Traced by Rambler to the Young's

Long ago a quiet, honest man worked hard in ungrateful fields. His name was Andrew Jackson Brown and his wife's name was Maria. To reach their house you followed a road from a tobacco barn through an orchard of old apple trees, walked a log over Ice Pond Branch, climbed a wooded hill called Ice Pond Hill and crossed fields where grew, in summer, tobacco and slender, very slender corn.

Andrew Jackson Brown and his patient, striving wife, had a large family. There were children, Rachel, Georgianna, Martha, Charlotte, Tina, Andrew, Tom and Lem. There may be many boys in Washington who knew those children, but I sure that Charlie Semmes, his brother Eddie, Willie Bryan of 1362 South Carolina avenue and Bob Griffin of the internal revenue bureau knew them.

Rachel Brown married Henry Hatton of the Surrattsville neighborhood and lives in Virginia; Georgianna married Edward Boteller of Washington and lives in this city; Martha married Joe Small of Prince George's County and lives in Washington; Charlotte married Charlie Gill [R88/366] of Surratt's and lives on G street near 13th southeast; Tina married Lee Bell and lived at Suitland. She died about a month ago. Andrew married Miss Ida Leapley, daughter of George Leapley of Frederick County. That was about twenty-seven years ago, and they have lived at Nonesuch about fifteen years. They have three sons, Andrew Jackson, who married Ethel Perry of Twining and lives there; George William, who married Miss Anna Grimley and lives on the Marlboro pike, and Thomas, who married Miss Mary Webster and lives on 11th street southeast.

The second son of Andrew Jackson and Maria Brown was Tom Brown, who is night watchman of "The Star" building and has been with us many years. I very seldom see him and have not seen him for two or three years. That is not because Tom is not around at night. The fault is mine. The third son of Andrew Jackson and Maria Brown was Lem. He was killed by a gun explosion at Indian Head about twenty years ago.

Andrew Jackson Brown, the elder, moved from the ice pond woods to Washington and died here twenty years ago. About ten years before he passed Maria crossed with Charon to dwell, as one system had it, with Pluto, Rhadamanthos, Thanatos and all that gloomy crew. But I find it happier to think that Andrew and Maria live in light, keep watch upon their children and sometimes visit, though unseen, the little house to which leads the road through the apple orchard and the woods of ice pond hill. Young Andrew drove a coach of the old horse heraldic company for many years -- and if I knew the number of years I would set it down.