# **James Kennedy Kerr**

( - 5 Feb 1910)

**Kerr.** On Saturday, February 5, 1910 at 1:10 p.m. at his residence, 211 13th street s.w. after a lingering illness, James K. Kerr. Funeral on Monday from Epiphany Chapel, 12th and C streets s.w., 2 p.m. Friends and relatives invited.

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#### Death of James K. Kerr. Fifty Years a Foreman

#### Venerable Employee of the Department of Agriculture and Prominent in Masonic Circles

James K. Kerr, Sr., for fifty years foreman of gardens and grounds of the Department of Agriculture, died at his home, 211 13th street southwest, about 1 o'clock this morning. Mr. Kerr had been ill for about four months and since December 11 had been confined to his room. His widow and two sons, David C. and James K. Kerr, jr., and two daughters, Mrs. Mary Tyler and Mrs. Jesse Condon, all residents of this city, survive him. The funeral service will be held at Epiphany Chapel, 12th and C streets southwest, Monday at 2 o'clock. Rev. Patrick Murphy will officiate. The funeral will be under Masonic auspices.

### Native of Scotland

Mr. Kerr was eighty-one years of age. He was born in Edinburgh, Scotland, and came to the United States when quite young. For a time he lived at Winchester, Va. He was appointed in the Department of Agriculture when it was located at 4-1/2 street and Maine avenue, and laid out the grounds of the department. He came to Washington upon receiving his appointment and has lived here ever since. He is a member of Lebanon Lodge, No. 7, F.A.A.M.; Eureka Royal Arch Chapter, No. 4, and DeMolay Mounted Commandery, No. 4. He was also a member of Mithras Lodge of Perfection and Evangelist Chapter, Rose Croix, of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, and of Almas Temple of the Mystic Shrine. Mr. Kerr had for many years been a member of the Caledonian Club.

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## **Funeral of James K. Kerr**

Funeral services for James K. Kerr, a veteran official of the Department of Agriculture, were conducted yesterday afternoon by Rev. Patrick Murphy from Epiphany Episcopal Chapel.

Music was by the vested choir. Miss Miller sang "Lead Kingly Light."

Representatives were present from Lebanon Lodge, F.A.A.M.; De Molay Mounted Commandery, Knights Templar; Almas Temple, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine; the Caledonian Club and the Department of Agriculture. There were many floral remembrances from organizations and individual friends.