

John B. Nicolson

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Yesterday morning, at his lodgings in this city, at 8 o'clock a.m., Commodore John B. Nicolson, of the United States Navy, in the 63d year of his age.

Commodore Nicolson was a native of Richmond, Virginia, and entered the navy as a midshipman in 1805, on board the brig Hornet, then under the command of the late Commodore Chauncey. He shared, in common with the senior officers of the navy, in its infant struggles, and lived to participate in its renown, to which he contributed in no small degree. At the capture of the Macedonian frigate, the late Commodore served as fourth lieutenant of the United States, and was the first lieutenant of the Peacock, and, after her brilliant fight with the Epervier, the commander of the prize ship, which he brought safely into port.

After a life of great professional usefulness, and a career in which his private worth was conspicuous and acknowledged, he goes down to the grave followed by the unaffected sorrow of his brother officers and mourned by numerous friends, whom fifty years of amiable sociability and unwearied kindness gathered around him.

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The funeral of the late Commodore Nicolson will take place this morning, at eleven o'clock from Mrs. Ulrich's boarding house.

The Officers of the Army and Navy, and the friends and acquaintances of the deceased, are respectfully invited to attend.