

## Andrew Rothwell

(11 Nov 1801 – 21 May 1883)

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*The National Intelligencer, February 11, 1842*

### **Perseverance Fire Company**

At a meeting of this Company, held on the 3d instant, the following persons were elected officers for 1842:

John H. Goddard, President  
Andrew Rothwell, Treasurer  
George S. Gideon, Secretary  
Caleb Buckingham, Captain of Enginemen  
Samuel Bacon, Captain of Hosemen.

**Rothwell.** On May 21, 1883 at midnight, Andrew Rothwell in the 82d year of his age. Funeral will take place from the E street Baptist Church on Thursday, May 24 at 2:30 o'clock p.m. Relatives and friends are invited to attend.

*The Evening Star, May 22, 1883*

### **Death of a Venerable Citizen**

Mr. Andrew Rothwell, a resident of this city for over sixty years past, died at his home, No. 633 I street northwest, about 12 o'clock last night, aged 82 years. Mr. Rothwell was a native of Pennsylvania, a printer by trade, and when a young man came to this city and worked at the case for several years in the office of the National intelligencer. He was elected collector of taxes of this city about the year 1842 and served as such six or eight years, and was then elected to the city councils, after which he was again, in 1854, elected collector and served another term. From early manhood he was a member of the Baptist church, and was foremost in every effort to advance the interests of the church and the cause of religion. For many years he was connected with Columbian College, being for a long time the treasurer of the board of trustees. He was one of the founders of the E street Baptist church (then the Third church) in 1842, and was probably the last of the constituent members. Mr. Rothwell raised a family of nine children--Mrs. T.B. Bown, Mrs. A.C. Richards, Mrs. G.L. Sheriff, Mrs. Henry Johnson and Mrs. J.S. Slater, three unmarried daughters and a son, George, who died about ten years ago. About a year ago he was stricken with paralysis, from which he never fully recovered. Before his death he made all the arrangements for his funeral, expressing his desire for certain of his ministerial friends--among them Rev. Dr. Samson, now of New York--to officiate. His funeral will take place from the E street Baptist church Thursday afternoon.

*The Evening Star, May 24, 1883*

### **The Funeral of the Late Andrew Rothwell**

The funeral of the late Andrew Rothwell took place from the E street Baptist church this afternoon. Rev. Dr. Samson, of New York, officiated, assisted by Rev. Drs. Hill, Faunce, Meador and Schute. The pall-bearers were Messrs. William Fletcher, J.T. Little, E.W. Dennison, J.J. Darlington, F. Stickney, John T. Given, E. Haines, Albert W. Wilson, Clement W. Howard, and Rev. Dr. Welling, president of Columbian University. There were present a large number of citizens, including the trustees of Columbian College and members of the various organizations of which he was a member. The choir during the services

sang "Why Do We Mourn Departing Friends?" "If Jesus be My Friend," and Warren's quartet, "Rock of Ages." The interment was made at the Congressional cemetery.

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#### **Andrew Rothwell's Will**

##### **Requests to Members of His Family and Others**

The will of the late Andrew Rothwell, filed with the register today, bears date February 7, 1877, and to it is annexed a codicil bearing the same date. The will makes over his library to his children, to be disposed of as they may determine. To his daughters Eliza, Emily and Fannie all the household furniture and the family residence, and also premises No. 610 I street as tenants in common. To his daughters, Mary Ann Richards, Susan B. Sheriff and Martha W. Johnson, lot 7, square 452, and the 7th street store. Out of moneys arising from the settlement of life policies \$500 is set apart as a trust fund, the interest to be used to purchase books for the library of the Sunday school of E street Baptist church. The remainder of the moneys realized from stocks, policies, etc., is to be applied to the payment of debts, the surplus to be divided equally among the children. The houses owned by the deceased in Bates' Alley, 2d and 22d streets, in this city, and seven lots in La Crosse, Wis., are placed in the hands of the executors in trust to be disposed of, the proceeds to be divided equally among the children. To George L. Sheriff and Andrew R. Brown is left the 6th street property in trust for the daughter, Anna M. Slater. A.C. Richards, George L. Sheriff and Andrew R. Brown are named as executors. In the codicil the testator directs that the money due Anna M. Slater be paid to the executors and by them held in trust for the beneficiary, and devises to them lot 2, square 484, for the same purposes as the other property was devised to them. In this codicil A.C. Richards and G.L. Sheriff are designated as executors.