

Name	Birth/Death	Age	Range/Site
<b>Browner, Annie Drayton</b>	d. 9 Jan 1886		<b>R95/319</b>
Brouner. At 1616 7th street northwest, Annie Drayton Browner, wife of Richard B. Browner, at 10 o'clock p.m., January 9, 1886. Funeral Monday at 2 o'clock p.m. Friends and relatives are respectfully invited to attend.			
<b>Browning, Arthur</b>	d. 4 May 1900	23 yrs.	<b>R123/188</b>
<i>The Evening Star, May 4, 1900, p. 7</i>			
<i>Death From Smallpox</i>			
<i>Arthur Browning First Victim Since the Outbreak Here</i>			
Arthur Browning died of smallpox at the hospital this morning, after an illness of about a week. Browning, who was employed at the navy yard, resided at 1016 12th street southeast, and was removed to the hospital the 27th of last month. The unfortunate man will be buried in the Congressional cemetery this afternoon. This is the first death from the disease during the present outbreak here, the first case of which was discovered last fall. The other patients at the hospital are reported to be progressing toward recovery.			
<b>Browning, Charles Thomas</b>	d. 18 Sep 1910		<b>R22/23</b>
Browning. Suddenly on Sunday, September 18, 1910 at the residence of his mother, Charles Thomas, eldest son of Catherine Virginia and the late Horatio Browning. Funeral from his late residence, the Columbia, 14th and Girard streets, Tuesday, September 20 at 3 o'clock. Interment private Congressional cemetery.			
<i>The Evening Star, September 19, 1910, p. 18</i>			
<i>Final Rites Tomorrow</i>			
<i>Funeral of Thomas Browning at Family Residence</i>			
<i>Prominent Business Man of Washington Succumbs to Pneumonia After Brief Illness</i>			
Funeral services for C. Thomas Browning, president of the local grocery firm of Browning & Middleton and a life-long resident of the District, who died at his home in the Columbia apartment house yesterday following a short illness, will take place at 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon. Rev. Joseph Kelly, pastor of the Fourth Presbyterian Church, will officiate. The interment will be in the Browning family lot at the Congressional cemetery.			
Mrs. C.V. Browning, mother of the deceased, and his two sisters, Mrs. C. Frank Carr of Hyattsville, Md., and Miss Catherine Browning of this city, survive him. Mr. Browning was unmarried.			
<i>Pneumonia Cause of Death</i>			
A little over a week ago a severe cold from which the deceased was suffering developed into a malignant form of pneumonia, and he became gradually weaker until death ensued shortly after noon yesterday.			
Mr. Browning was fifty-one years of age and was born in this city. His father was the senior member of the grocery firm of which the deceased finally became president; and he succeeded to his father's interest at the time of the latter's death several years ago. Mr. Browning began in the business as a salesman and worked his way up until he assumed the entire direction of the company five or six years ago.			
The pallbearers, who have been chosen from among the deceased's friends and business associates, are: James A. MacEllwee, A.R. McChesney, W.H. McKnight, E.R. Parker, J.J.B. Lerch and S.R. Waters.			
<i>The Evening Star, September 20, 1910, p. 8</i>			
<i>Funeral of Mr. Browning</i>			
<i>Services This Afternoon at Family Home on Mount Pleasant</i>			
The funeral of C. Thomas Browning, president of the grocery firm of Browning & Middleton, whose death occurred Sunday, following a short illness, took place at 2 o'clock this afternoon from the Browning home in the Columbia apartment house, 14th and Girard streets. Services were conducted by Rev. Joseph Kelly, pastor of the Fourth Presbyterian Church. Interment was in the family lot at the Congressional cemetery.			
The following acted as pallbearers: James A MacElwee, A.R. McChesney, W.H. McKnight, E.R. Parker, J.J.B. Lerch and Somerset R. Waters.			
<i>The Evening Star, September 21, 1910, p. 1</i>			
<i>Death of C.T. Browning Under Investigation</i>			
<i>Coroner Receives Information That Creates Doubt as to the Cause</i>			
To determine whether the death of C. Thomas Browning, president of the grocery firm of Browning & Middleton, who resided in the Columbia, 14th and Girard streets, and who died last Sunday, was due to the			

effects of illuminating gas as breathed with suicidal intent or to pneumonia. Coroner Nevitt and Health Officer Woodward are today making an investigation.

Pending the outcome of the inquiries Coroner Nevitt has prohibited the interment of the body. Following the funeral services yesterday afternoon, with which the coroner did not care to interfere, the body was not interred to the family plot in Congressional cemetery, but was deposited in a vault there.

It was just an hour before the time yet for the funeral yesterday afternoon when Coroner Nevitt received information which he thought called for an investigation. He was told that Mr. Browning had suffered from illuminating gas poisoning two days before he died.

Mr. Browning was found by a relative in a room in which two gas jets were open. Coroner Nevitt says he was told and his condition was critical. Prompt medical treatment resulted in his resuscitation. Pneumonia developed within a few hours and Mr. Browning died two days later.

Coroner Nevitt found that the death certificate had given pneumonia and heart trouble as the cause of death. Dr. William H. Heron of 1020 9th street, who filed the certificate, inquired of the coroner if statement should be filed with the certificate giving information of the gas poisoning. Coroner Nevitt replied that he thought he should have been informed of the incident.

#### *Directs That Body Be Placed in Vault*

Not believing that he should interfere with the funeral ceremony, the coroner allowed it to proceed in the usual way, but he gave instructions to the undertaker to deposit the body in the vault at Congressional cemetery pending an investigation of the cause of death.

Coroner Nevitt today sought the aid of the health officer in making the investigation. He made an indorsement on the certificate that Mr. Browning is believed to have turned on the gas with suicidal intent.

Health Officer Woodward promised to assist in the investigation to determine the exact cause of death. Meanwhile, the certificate is held up awaiting the outcome of the inquiries.

Dr. Nevitt's indorsement on the death certificate is:

"This case was reported to me September 20, 1910, by Dr. W.H. Heron. The result of my investigation is that deceased died from inhaling of illuminating gas with suicide intent."

#### *The Evening Star, September 22, 1910, p. 16*

##### *Autopsy Is Held On Mr. Browning's Body*

##### *Being Performed at the Cemetery This Afternoon -- Dead Man's Will Filed*

An autopsy is in progress at Congressional cemetery this afternoon on the body of Charles Thomas Browning, late president of the grocery firm of Browning & Middleton, who died Monday, two days after he had been found suffering from illuminating gas poisoning. Coroner Nevitt decided this morning that he would have the autopsy performed in order to determine definitely the cause of death.

Deputy Coroner White was directed by the coroner to perform the autopsy. Dr. W.H. Heron, who had attended Mr. Browning during his last illness, was requested to be present. Detective Berman, who has assisted in the investigation of the death of Mr. Browning; Health Officer Woodward Coroner Nevitt, Dr. Kinyoun and Dr. Sawtelle were also in attendance.

Coroner Nevitt said today that he felt certain that no inquest would be necessary. The conditions under which Mr. Browning was found last Saturday morning, he stated, were such as to leave no doubt in his mind as to the intent of the man when he turned on the two gas jets.

#### *No Delay in Funeral*

It was not until a short while before the time set for the funeral to take place, the coroner stated, that he was advised of the death, and was told that Mr. Browning had been found unconscious as a result of having inhaled the gas. The coroner did not cause any delay in the funeral arrangements other than to have the body placed in the receiving vault at the cemetery instead of permitting its burial.

Mr. Browning executed his last will September 16, 1910, two days prior to his death. To his fiancée, Mrs. Edith M Richardson of Salt Lake City, Utah, he leaves all his silverware, gold scarf pins, a signet ring and a pearl watch charm, in addition to one-half the proceeds of his grocery business at 608 Pennsylvania avenue northwest.

The other half of the proceeds from the sale of the business is given to his sister, Caddie Browning. She is also to have the household furniture at 1405 Girard street and all other personal estate not specifically devised.

To another sister, Mrs. Maumie Browning Carr of Hyattsville, Md., is given the commissions due her brother from the estate of their father, Horatio Browning.

Mr. Browning also leaves to his fiancée all his interest in the National Trencher Company held for him by his friend Frank L. Middleton.

#### Executor of the Will

George H. Calvert, jr., and Nathan Musher are named as executors. The will was witnessed by J.J.B. Lerch, J. George Werner and W.H. McKnight.

In filing the customary affidavit with the will Mr. Calvert, one of the executors, tells the court he found the document in the safe at the Browning & Middleton store. The safe, he says, was opened in the presence of the mother, sister and brother-in-law of the deceased and several others. He read the will to those present and kept it in his possession until this morning.

*The Evening Star, September 23, 1910, p. 10*

*Jury To Inquire Into C.T. Browning's Will*

*Objections to Probate of Paper Overruled and Letters Testamentary Granted*

Frederick Johnson, J.W. Beall, Charles M. Buckley, M.A. Tanzer, Levi Meredith and E.R. Armentrout assembled at Congressional cemetery this morning and were sworn as a coroner's jury over the body of Charles Thomas Browning, who died Monday at his home, 1405 Girard street, two days after he had been found unconscious from having inhaled illuminating gas. The six men named are to meet at the morgue tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock and hear testimony bearing on the death of Mr. Browning, late president of the grocery firm of Browning & Middleton.

The holding of the inquest was made necessary by the decision of the corporation counsel yesterday that the coroner, under the law, is required to hold an inquest in all such cases. Dr. W.H. Heron, who attended Mr. Browning during the last illness and who gave a certificate of death from pneumonia was present during the performance of the autopsy yesterday afternoon at Congressional cemetery, although he arrived late.

#### *Microscopic Examination Necessary*

Health Officer Woodward said today that the cause of death would have to be determined by microscopic examination of specimens taken from the body yesterday. The embalming fluid, he stated, interfered with the examination yesterday.

Dr. Kinyoun, bacteriologist of the health department, has charge of the examination of the specimens. The examination has been delayed because he was unable to get the necessary fluids to be used.

#### *Objections to Probate of Will*

Mrs. Mamie Browning Carr of Hyattsville, Md., through Attorney Jackson H Ralston, today objected to the admission to probate of the will of her brother, Charles T. Browning, asking Chief Justice Clabaugh to postpone action until her counsel had an opportunity to decide the question of filing a caveat.

Attorney George H. Calvert, jr., one of the executors impressed on the court the necessity of continuing the grocery business at 608 Pennsylvania avenue northwest pending a satisfactory sale. He insisted Mrs. Carr was not sufficiently interested in the estate to give her a standing in court to ask the appointment of a collector.

Chief Justice Clabaugh, taking this view of the matter, admitted the will to probate and granted letters testamentary to George H. Calvert, jr., and Nathan Musher. The bond of the executors was fixed at \$2,000.

The court suggested that Mrs. Carr might later file a caveat, if so advised. Her brother left her in his will the commissions due him as co-trustee of the estate of their father Horatio Browning. The amount thus due the deceased is said to have been about \$1,400.

Attorney Ralston declined to say on what grounds he would attack the validity of the will, declaring he has not sufficiently considered the matter.

*Values of the Estate*

The estate of Mr. Browning is valued at between \$10,000 and \$80,000, according to the petition of his executors George H. Calvert, jr., and Nathan Musher.

Decedent left no real estate, they say, but owned a large block of the capital stock of Browning & Middleton, Inc., some stock in the National Trencher Company and a one-thousand-dollar life insurance policy. He also had a small amount of cash, some household furniture and personal effects. His debts do not exceed \$1,000, the executors say.

The next of kin of the dead grocer are his mother, Catharine V. Browning, Caddie Browning and Mamie Browning Carr, sisters, and three nephews Clarke T. Browning of Fort McPherson, Ga.; Horace Browning, now in the Philippines and Allen Browning of this city. All of these are full age, except Allen Browning who is nineteen years old.

*The Evening Star, September 24, 1910, p. 1**Death Due To Gas**No Evidence That Charles T. Browning Killed Himself**Official Report Delayed**Death Occurred Sunday; Coroner Notified Wednesday**First Termed a Suicide**Relatives Not Satisfied With Decision, and Inquest Was Held**Prominent in Business*

"While the primary cause of death in this case was, from the evidence, illuminating gas, yet we, the jury, fail to establish the fact of self-destruction."

The foregoing is the verdict of the coroner's jury in the case of Charles Thomas Browning, president of the grocery firm of Browning & Middleton.

Mr. Browning was found in a serious condition at his home, 14th and Girard streets northwest, last Saturday and died Sunday. The case was not reported to the coroner until Wednesday, the day set for the funeral. Relatives of the deceased failed to agree with the coroner's opinion of suicide and the inquest was ordered.

*Testimony at Inquest*

When the inquest opened this morning William Oscar Roome, jr., clerk in the health department, was the first witness examined. He identified the certificate of death as the one issued in connecton with the demise of Mr. Browning. The paper was turned over to the jurors for examination.

Miss Caddie Browning, sister of the deceased, told the jury that she was the first person to detect the gas turned on in her brother's room. It was 7:15 o'clock last Saturday morning when she called her brother. She did not detect the odor of gas until she opened the door of his room.

When she entered the room she found her brother lying on his back. He was breathing heavily. The window was opened about one and one-half inches from the top. Since her brother's return from Europe he had had such a severe cold that he did not keep the window so wide open as he had previously.

"I turned both gas jets off," the witness stated, in response to the coroner's questioning. "I was so excited I can't say they were fully turned on."

Miss Browning said her brother's health was miserable and that he had spent no more than two well days since his return from Europe. "He seemed perfectly happy, however, and so far as she knew there was no reason why he should have committed suicide.

Witness said that no time was lost summoning medical aid Dr. Hooe being the first one to respond. She did not think her brother was a man who ould have taken his life

"He expected to be married in January," Miss Browning said, "and he seemed perfectly happy."

Dr. W.H. Heron the family physician of the Brownings, witness stated, reached the apartment shortly after 8 o'clock.

"Are you acquainted with the lady our brother was to marry?" asked the coroner.

"No sir," the witness stated; "none of us knew her."

Attorney Calvert explained that Mr. Browning met Mrs. Richardson, his fiancée, on his trip to Europe. He started abroad last May and returned the 8th instant.

Mrs. Richardson, witness stated is a graduate of the Paris Conservatory of Music, is a highly cultured woman and has considerable means.

*Complained of Illness*

Mrs. Mamie Browning Carr, another sister of the deceased, testified that she was at her home in Hyattsville when she was advised of her brother's condition. She hurried to the city, and went to the apartment of her mother, brother and sister. She saw her brother Tuesday of last week at the store on Pennsylvania avenue, and conversed with him, but he said nothing about himself. He complained at that time that he was suffering from a cold.

She said her brother brought to the house a package of letters belonging to Mrs. Richardson. The package was addressed to her at a New York hotel where she intended to stop when she returned from Europe. Mrs. Carr said she had objected to the probate of her brother's will.

Detective Berman testified that he made an investigation of the death of Mr. Browning and related the statements the several witnesses had made to him. Mrs. Carr, he stated, told him that she had been cut off in the will and she thought her brother had committed suicide.

Dr. William H. Heron testified that he treated Mr. Browning for bronchitis after his return from Europe. When witness was called to the house last Saturday morning the patient was unconscious. Dr. Hooe had treated him before witness reached the apartment. Witness said the appearance of the patient did not indicate that he had inhaled gas for any great length of time.

Dr. Heron told of the treatment given the sick man. He seemed to get better, but later in the day his fever increased, and Sunday, about 12:30 o'clock, he died. Witness said Mr. Browning had been subject to severe attacks of bronchitis. He was told that the sick man had been taking something to induce sleep, and witness thought the medicine may have been partly responsible for his unconsciousness.

Coroner Nevitt questioned witness about the certificate giving pneumonia as the cause of death. He said he had made out another certificate giving gas as the primary cause of death but he had some doubt as to the part the gas had played in the case, and he changed it. Witness said he tried to reach Health Officer Woodward or Dr. Fowler at the health office and he finally got Dr. Fowler. The latter advised him to consult the coroner. He said he wanted to ascertain if the coroner would class the case as one of suicide.

When witness reached the Browning apartment he detected a slight odor of gas, but the face of the patient did not present the appearance such as is usual in gas cases. There was every indication of pneumonia.

Witness suggested that Mr. Browning may have been delirious from fever and accidentally have turned on the gas.

Dr. Robert Hooe testified that when he reached the Browning apartment he found the patient in a condition of coma. Witness could not recall that he detected the odor of gas in the room, his attention having been directed to the patient, Mr. Browning, said witness, did not regain consciousness while he was treating him.

He remained there from 7:15 o'clock in the morning until nearly noon. Witness thought the gas must have been turned on early in the morning, as death would have ensued earlier had it been turned on all night.

*Results of Autopsy*

Dr. Charles S. White deputy coroner, testified to having performed the autopsy at Congressional cemetery Wednesday, three days after death, and he found the ears were pink, there was bright red blood in the kidneys and the muscles were red. These unusual conditions, he

**Browning, Ella V.C.**

d. 22 Mar 1901

56 yrs.

**R36/83**

Browning. On March 22, 1901, at 6:15 p.m., Ella Virginia, beloved wife of H. Clay Browning, sr., aged 56 years. Funeral from the residence of her son-in-law, Mr. James E. Baines, No. 207 E street northwest, on Monday, March 25, at 11 o'clock a.m. Relatives and friends invited.

*The Evening Star, March 23, 1901, p. 16*

*Death of Mrs. Browning*

The wife of H. Clay Browning, sr., died yesterday, aged 56 years, at the residence of her son-in-law, Mr. James E. Baines, No. 207 E street northwest. Mrs. Browning's maiden name was Ella Virginia Cawthon, and she was the daughter of the late Col. Robert Cawthon, who prior to the civil war was the editor of the Lynchburg Republican, then the most influential democratic paper of southwestern Virginia, and who during the war acted as one of the assistant postmasters general of the confederate states. Mrs. Browning's husband and eight children survive her, the eldest, H. Clay Browning, jr., being a member of the firm of Browning & Baines; the youngest, Robert Browning, an employee of the Washington Loan and Trust Company.

The Rev. C.J.S. Mayo will officiate at the funeral services. The pallbearers will be her three sons, H. Clay Browning, jr., Wm. A. Browning, Robert Browning, and her three sons-in-law, James E. Baines, Herbert R. Baines and Howard W. Walker.

**Browning, Frank T.**

d. 26 Sep 1901

**R57/B-2**

Browning. At his residence, "Templeton", Forest Glen, Maryland, on Monday Sept. 23, 1901 at 2:30 p.m., Frank T., aged 49 years, beloved husband of Sue E. Browning and youngest son of the late P.W. Browning of Washington, D.C. Funeral from his late residence on Thursday, September 26 at 11 o'clock a.m. Interment Congressional Cemetery.

*The Evening Star, September 24, 1901*

*Frank T. Browning Dead*

*Prominent Local Attorney Victim of Bright's Disease*

*President of Forest Glen Railroad Company and Ex-Member of Maryland Legislature*

Very unexpected to an unusually wide circle of friends and acquaintances was the death of Frank T. Browning, a leading member of the local bar, which occurred at 2:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon at his residence, Templeton, near Forest Glen, Md. Mr. Browning became ill about a week ago, and rapidly grew worse, the illness and death being due to Bright's disease. Funeral services will be held at Templeton at 11 o'clock next Thursday morning, Rev. Mr. Baker of Silver Spring and Rev. Mr. Barr of Takoma Park officiating. The interment will be at Congressional cemetery about 1 o'clock the same day.

It is conceded that Mr. Browning was one of the most successful of the local practitioners. He was a man of exemplary habits and was highly regarded and respected. The deceased was the youngest son of P.W. Browning, who died in April of last year. His brothers are Henry Clay Browning, Sr., Theodore F. Browning, Livingston Browning, Arthur Browning and George Browning. The four brothers first mentioned, together with Messrs. Percival M. Brown, John W. Warner, Arthur M. Wheeler and P.R. Stansbury, will serve as pallbearers at the funeral.

*Native of the District*

The deceased was born in this city forty-nine years ago. He attended Rittenhouse Academy and later took the four years' course at Columbian College. After graduating, in 1872, he pursued the study of law and began practicing in 1875. For several years he was associated with the late Enoch Totten. The career of Mr. Browning was marked by his connection with a very large number of important cases tried in the local courts. He was a member of the legislature of Maryland about the year 1885, and organized and was president of the Forest Glen Railroad Company.

Mr. Browning, six or seven years ago, moved to Forest Glen, and his home there, which bears the name "Templeton," is one of the most beautiful places in that section of the country. The deceased married Miss Sue E. Kennedy, a daughter of George E. Kennedy. Mrs. Browning survives him. Announcement of his death will be formally made to the court tomorrow by Mr. R. Ross Perry.

**Browning, George P.**

d. 4 Dec 1902

56 yrs.

**R36/82**

Browning. On Thursday, December 4, 1902 at 1 o'clock p.m., George P., son of the late P.W. Browning, aged 56 years. Funeral from No. 331 Missouri avenue on Saturday, December 6 at 2 o'clock p.m. (Interment private).

*The Evening Star, December 5, 1902, p 2*

*George P. Browning Dead*

*Was Brother of Andrew Johnson's Private Secretary*

Mr. George P. Browning, well known throughout the business circles of Washington, died yesterday afternoon at his home, 331 Missouri avenue northwest. Funeral services will be held tomorrow afternoon at his late home. The deceased was the son of the late P.W. Browning, who was in business on Pennsylvania avenue for many years, and was the brother of Col. William A. Browning, who was private secretary of President Andrew Johnson. He was 56 years old, and died in the house where he was born.

<b>Browning, Henry Clay</b> Browning. On Thursday, April 27, 1911 at his home in Prince George's County, Md., H. Clay Browning, Sr. in his 71st year. Notice of funeral hereafter.	d. 27 Apr 1911	70 yrs.	<b>R36/83</b>
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<b>Browning, Horace</b> Browning. On Saturday, January 4, 1908 at 11:45 a.m., Horace Browning, son of the late Horatio Browning. Notice of funeral hereafter.	d. 4 Jan 1908		<b>R22/26</b>
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<b>Browning, Horatio</b> Browning. On Monday, April 18, 1904, at 4 o'clock p.m. at his residence, 1117 6th street northwest, Horatio, beloved husband of Catherine Virginia Browning. Funeral Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Relatives and friends invited. Interment private.	d. 18 Apr 1904		<b>R22/25</b>
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*The Evening Star, April 19, 1904*

*An Old Citizen Dead*

*Horatio Browning Passes Away at Age of 72*

*Was Known as the Oldest Grocer in Washington*

*Funeral Tomorrow at 2 o'clock*

Funeral services will be held tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock over the remains of the late Horatio Browning at his late residence, 1117 6th street northwest, and will be conducted by Rev. Richard P. Williams, rector of Trinity Protestant Episcopal Church. The interment will be in Congressional cemetery and will be private.



The honorary pallbearers will be selected from the board of directors of the Central National Bank and the active pallbearers will be clerks from the store of Browning & Middleton, as follows: A.D. Bond, W.H. McKnight, S.T. Ellis, C.F. Fenwick, C.M. Dorsey and William Fisher.

Mr. Browning, who was known as Washington's oldest grocer, died at his home here yesterday after a long and painful illness. He had been suffering with rheumatism and since Christmas had been confined to his bed. He was seventy-two years old and is survived by his wife and four children.

Mr. Browning until the time he was taken ill was one of the most active business men in Washington. He was president of the Browning & Middleton grocery establishment and since its organization had been a director in the Central National Bank. He was vice president of the bank for fifteen years, having supervised constructing the building where it was located. It was largely through his influence the bank was established. He was also secretary and treasurer of the Venezuelan Telephone Company, formed here. He was born at Barnesville, Montgomery county, Md., and came to Washington with his parents in his early youth.

His business career began as a clerk for George and Thomas Parker, and in 1859 he engaged in business for himself.

Several years ago Mr. Browning's claim to being the oldest grocer in the city was disputed by N.W. Burchell, who had also been business here since before the war. It was decided to share the honors, and a day was set to have a dinner to celebrate the distinction. On the very day the dinner was to have been held, Mr. Burchell died.

Mr. Browning was married in the same year he started his store on Pennsylvania ave. The disease which caused his death was contracted during a fire in his store on November 8, 1902. His wife was Miss Catherine Virginia Miller, the daughter of Charles Miller, an East Washington merchant. The children are C.T. Browning, Horace Browning, Miss Caddie Browning and Mrs. C. Fran Carr of Hyattsville, Md. He was devoted to his family and benevolent to all about him, ever ready and willing to do a kindness and advise with the young men.

Mr. Browning was a member of St. John's Lodge of F.A.A.M., and of DeMolay Commandery of the Knights Templar.

<b>Browning, John</b> <i>The Evening Star, May 15, 1900, p. 16</i> <i>Death From Smallpox</i> <i>Fourth Victim of the Disease in One Family</i>	d. 14 May 1900	29 yrs.	<b>R19/153</b>
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The fourth death from smallpox during the present outbreak of the disease here occurred at the smallpox hospital yesterday afternoon, the victim being John Browning, a white man, he being the fourth member of the family to fall a victim to the disease. Arthur Browning, a brother, was the first of the family to die, the death of his two sisters quickly following. In the case of these people the disease was a very violent type, the illness of each victim being of but a few days' duration. The health department has not been able to definitely determine how or where the disease was contracted by Arthur Browning, but it is clear that the others contracted it from him.

**Browning, John M.** d. 14 Sep 1889 69 yrs. **R46/70**  
 Browning. On Saturday morning, September 14, 1889 at 2:15 o'clock, John N. Browning in his 70th year of age. Funeral from his late residence, 1213 N. Capitol street, Monday September 16 at 3 o'clock p.m. Relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

**Browning, John W.** d. 10 May 1841 31 yrs. **R36/87**  
 Browning. On Monday the 10th of May, John W. Browning, stonecutter after a long and painful illness in the 32d year of his age. The friends and acquaintances of the family are requested to attend his funeral this day (Tuesday) at 4 o'clock p.m. from his late residence on Maryland avenue between 4 1/2 and 5th streets west.

**Browning, Leathy A.** d. 1 Apr 1884 59 yrs. **R46/71**  
 Browning. On Tuesday, April 1, 1884, at 3:10 a.m., Mrs. Leathy A. Browning, wife of John N. Browning, in the 60th year of her age.  
 Gone but not forgotten  
 Friends and relatives of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral from her late residence, 2104 Vermont avenue and V street northwest, Thursday, April 3d at 3 o'clock p.m.

**Browning, Lewis** d. 27 Jun 1929 53 yrs. **R125/238**  
 Browning, Lewis. On Thursday, June 27, 1929 at 12:45 a.m., Lewis Browning, aged 53, beloved husband of Edith Virginia Browning. Funeral from Padgett's undertaking parlors, Saturday, June 29, 2 p.m. Friends and relatives invited.

Browning, Louis. Members of Mount Vernon Council, No. 10, J.O.U.A.M., are requested to assemble Saturday afternoon, June 29, 1929, at Padgett's funeral chapel, 131 11th st. s.e., at 2 p.m., for the purpose of attending the funeral of Brother Louis Browning. By direction of the council.

John E. Beall, Councilor,  
 Attest: John E. Smallwood, Rec. Sec.

Browning, Louis. Members officers and drill teams (in uniform) of Triumph Council, No. 8, Daughters of America, are requested to assemble at 131 11th st. s.e. for the purpose of attending the funeral of our late brother, Louis Browning, on Saturday, June 29, 1929 at 2 p.m.

Adalyn Burger, Councilor  
 J.W Schwenk, Rec. Sec.

**Browning, Lizzie B.** d. 30 Apr 1900 26 yrs. **R22/23**  
 Browning. On Monday, April 30, 1900 at 2:45 p.m., Lizzie (Dick) youngest daughter of Horatio and Catherine V. Browning. Funeral services at the residence of her parents, 338 C street northwest, Wednesday at 2 p.m. Interment private.

**Browning, Mary Ann** b. 1 Oct 1811 - d. 2 Jan 1887 75 yrs. **R37/84**  
 Browning. On January 2, 1887 at 9:15 o'clock p.m., Mrs. Margaret A. Browning, beloved wife of P.W. Browning. Funeral will take place at her late residence, 331 Missouri avenue northwest on Wednesday, January 5 at 12 o'clock m. Friends and relatives respectfully invited to attend.

*The Evening Star, January 4, 1887, p. 3*

*Obituary*

God has given and God has taken away. Death with all its horrors again has visited us and taken from our midst one whose place can never be refilled.

That great and inevitable harvester, Time, has again adjusted his sickle and with one sweep gathered to her fathers a most loving and devoted wife and mother. Oh, Death! thou destroyer of peace and happy hours, why didst thou not spare her whose life has been the connecting link in the chain that has bound so many together in love and affection for so many years? Cease, oh, Death! cease for a while in thy dreadful work,

for surely thou hast gathered a full harvest in this one swath. After being for over fifty years the joy and solace of a loving husband at last succumbed to sickness, and on Sunday evening last the spirit of Mrs. Margaret A. Browning was borne away on angels' wings and now reposes in the bosom of her Father and God's. To her death had no terrors, and whilst her body for eight long years was racked with pain, and which she knew could be relieved only by death, yet was she willing to suffer and live for the sake of others.

What a noble example we see set before us in her life unsurpassed in kindness of heart, in self-sacrificing and in the Christian fortitude in which she bore up under her great affliction and human suffering. By unostentatious charities and sympathetic regard for all, she had endeared herself to numerous friends and by her unblemished character had a host of admirers. For ourselves and our father, with whom she had lived so many years, she had that love and devotion which made her forget self and made us and our welfare the sole objects of her thoughts day and night in her glad days of health, and in those of sickness and distress. Truly has she left us in sadness and in sorrow, and left a vacant space that can never be refilled. And whilst we feel and know that her Christian life has won for her a home of eternal rest, and her poor dear body is free from pain, yet we would not have her go, for to us she was our all, and so entwined was she around our hearts that life without her seems to be but one of despair. Oh! the fond recollections that are kindled within us when we look back at our once happy home and see her in her days of health, her face ever bright and a kind word for every one, and even at times when her heart was yearning and sad from anxiety for others, yet was her face lit up with that cheerful and sweet countenance by which she was known to all. And now that she is to be no more on earth with us, may the recollections of her dear life, and the love we have always borne for her desires, prompt us to strive and do that which was her daily prayer, that in the future we may lead the life that she has led, so that when our time has come our Father may say to us, as He must have said to our dear mother: Well done, thou good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joys of Heaven.

By Her Son

**Browning, Minnie A.** d. 20 Aug 1876 21 yrs. **R37/87**

Browning. On the 20th August, 1876, at 8:45 o'clock p.m., at the residence of her father-in-law, P.W. Browning, in Prince George's county, Md., Minnie A., wife of Livingston Browning, and daughter of Col. William Dayton, of Washington, D.C., aged 21 years. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend her funeral from Trinity Church, Washington, D.C., on Tuesday, the 22d instant, at 3 o'clock p.m. (New York and Charleston (S.C.) papers please copy).

**Browning, Nannie** d. 6 Dec 1876 6 mos. 19 days **R37/87**

Browning. Wednesday morning, December 6, 1876 at 10 o'clock, at the residence of her grandfather, No. 331 Missouri avenue, Nannie, the only child of Livingston and the late Minnie A. Browning, aged 6 months and 19 days. Relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend her funeral from the above number, at 3 o'clock tomorrow afternoon.

**Browning, Nannie H.** d. 8 Mar 1908 **R22/26**

Browning. Suddenly, Sunday evening, March 8, 1908, at 7 o'clock, Nannie Howard Browning, wife of C.T. Browning. Funeral Wednesday, March 11, at 2 p.m., from 1117 6th street northwest. Interment private.

**Browning, Nellie Ringgold** d. 13 May 1904 **R123/187**

Browning. On Friday, May 13, 1904, at 11:25 p.m., Nellie R. Browning, devoted wife of Arthur Browning. Funeral from her late home, 178 North Carolina avenue southeast, on Tuesday, May 17, at 3 p.m. Friends and relatives invited.

*The Evening Star, May 18, 1904, p. 8*

*Death of Mrs. Browning*

Mrs. Nellie Ringgold Browning, who died in this city the 13th instant, was one of the last surviving relatives of the late Major Ringgold, United States army, who fell at Palo Alto, in the Mexican war, and of Rear Admiral Ringgold, United States navy.

Mrs. Browning lived from childhood in this District except during the period when she was a pupil at the academy at Frederick, Md. She became the wife of Mr. Arthur Browning twenty-five years ago, and had resided here ever since. Mrs. Browning was known throughout the city as a most hospitable friend and neighbor, and her death brings sorrow to a large circle of friends.

**Browning, Peregrine W.** d. 6 Apr 1900 89 yrs. **R37/83**

Browning. On Wednesday, April 4, 1900 at 5:15 a.m. at his residence No. 331 Missouri avenue northwest. P.W. Browning in the 89th year of his age. Funeral from his late residence on Friday, April 6 at 10 o'clock a.m. Interment private.

*The Evening Star, April 5, 1900*

*Aged Citizen Dead -- P.W. Browning, Long a Resident of Washington, Passes Away*

Mr. P.W. Browning died yesterday at his residence, 331 Missouri avenue, after an illness of only two weeks. He caught cold which developed into grip, and subsequently erysipelas developed. Owing to his extreme age, being in his eighty-ninth year, he was unable to recuperate.

Mr. Browning spent practically his entire life in this city, and was, therefore, one of the oldest residents. He was born in Clarksburg, Md., in 1811 and came to this city when thirteen years of age. He served an apprenticeship in the tailoring business with Abner H. Young, then located at Pennsylvania avenue and 12th street, and on reaching his majority he entered business on his own account at what is now 827 Pennsylvania avenue, then a small frame building. He subsequently bought the property and erected thereon in 1840 the first four-storied brick building to be constructed on the avenue between the Capitol and the White House, and continued the business till 1861, when he purchased a farm one and one-half miles from Hyattsville, to which he retired. He enjoyed the patronage of a large number of leading men of the olden time, numbering among his friends Henry Clay, Theodore Frelinghuysen, Jefferson Davis, Alex. H. Stephens, Andrew Johnson and a host of other prominent characters of ante-bellum days.

In early life Mr. Browning married Miss Margaret Ann Wood, the daughter of a leading jeweler of that period, whose establishment was, about where Galt's is now. There were twelve children born of this union, nine of whom grew to majority and six survive him. Col. Will Johnson, the eldest of his sons, was the private secretary of President Johnson from a period before the war till his death occurred in 1866. Those living are Henry Clay and Theodore F. of Prince George's county, George P., who has been living with his father; Livingston, Arthur B. and Frank T., are well-known members of the local bar. Mr. Browning is also survived by twenty one grandchildren and thirteen great grandchildren. His first wife died in 1887, and about eight years ago he married a Mrs. Bishop of Pennsylvania, who survives him.

The funeral will take place from his late residence at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning, when Rev. R.P. Williams of Trinity Episcopal Church will officiate, and the six sons of the deceased will be the pallbearers. The interment will be in the family lot at Congressional cemetery.

<b>Browning, Ringold W.</b>	d. 15 Jul 1897		<b>R20/52</b>
Browning. On Thursday, July 15, 1897 at 2:40 o'clock p.m. at his residence at Riversdale, Md. Ringold W. Browning, son of P.W. Browning of this city. Funeral from his late residence at 11 o'clock a.m., Saturday, July 17. Interment at Congressional Cemetery at 1 o'clock.			

*The Evening Star, July 3, 1885*

*Browning-McCauslen*

At 9:30 this morning a few special friends, among whom were the Misses Brown, 1117 G street; Miss Rosa Browning, Col. Switzler, chief of the bureau of statistics, and others, witnessed the marriage of Mr. Ringgold W. Browning, of this city, and Miss Nellie H. McCauslen, of Steubenville, Ohio—the latter for some years a very capable teacher in of the high schools of this city. The solemn ceremony was performed by Rev. Dr. Nailor, at his residence, near Foundry M.E. church.

<b>Browning, Silas</b>	d. 16 Jan 1884	57 yrs.	<b>R22/27</b>
Browning. On January 16th, 1884 at 12:30 p.m., at his late residence, corner of 14th and S streets northwest, Silas Browning, in the 58th year of his age. The funeral will take place at 2 o'clock Friday, 18th from his late residence.			

<b>Browning, Thomas</b>	d. 11 Sep 1915	72 yrs.	<b>R112/246</b>
Browning. On Saturday, September 11, 1915, Thomas, beloved husband of Elizabeth Browning, aged seventy-two years. Funeral from his late residence, 344 N street southwest, on Tuesday, September 14, at 2 p.m. Relatives and friends respectfully invited to attend. Interment at Congressional cemetery.			

<b>Browning, Warfield T.</b>	d. 18 Jun 1894		<b>R37/86</b>
Browning. On Monday, June 18, 1894, at 11 o'clock p.m., Warfield T., son of Peregrine W. Browning. Funeral from his father's residence, 331 Missouri avenue northwest, on Wednesday, June 20, at 2 o'clock p.m. Relatives and friends of the family are invited. (Baltimore papers please copy).			

<b>Browning, Col. William A. Johnson</b>	d. 4 Mar 1866		<b>R37/85</b>
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*The Evening Star, March 5, 1866*

*The Funeral of the Late Col. W.A. Browning*

The funeral of Colonel William A. Browning, late the Private Secretary to the President, took place from the residence of his father, P.W. Browning, Esq., on Missouri avenue, yesterday afternoon, and was largely attended. Among other distinguished persons present we noticed President Johnson, accompanied by Colonel O'Beirne, Deputy Marshal; Judge Patterson, Mrs. Patterson and Mrs. Stover (the President's daughters,) a number of members of Congress, several representatives of the Washington bar, and a very large concourse of citizens. Rev. Mr. Rolfe of the Episcopal Church, officiated in the solemn services of the church, and spoke in feeling terms of the life and character of the deceased. The body was then placed in the hearse. Colonel Wright Rives, Colonel William G. Moore, and Majors A.K. Long and R.A. Morrow, of the President's household; Dr. Thomas Young, E. Welles, Esq., Dr. W.J. Duhamel, and Jos. H. Bradley, jr., Esq., acting as pall-bearers, and the solemn cortege was formed and wended its way to Congressional Cemetery, where the remains were interred.

The President has known the deceased since his boyhood, and obtained for him a clerkship in one of the Departments, which he subsequently resigned to accept the position of private secretary to Mr. Johnson, then Senator. Colonel Browning continued in this position during Mr. Johnson's term in the Senate, accompanied him to Nashville, Tennessee, when appointed Military Governor, and remained with him until November last, when he was appointed Secretary of Legation to Mexico, with General Logan. His health has not been good for two months. He was taken seriously ill in New York, and within the last two weeks grew rapidly worse, until about two o'clock on Friday morning, when he died from a severe attack of inflammatory rheumatism, which produced paralysis.

Col. Browning was a graduate of Yale College, studied law and was admitted to the bar in the Supreme Court of the United States. He always enjoyed the implicit confidence of the President, and was much esteemed by him. By his manliness of character, geniality of disposition, and the noble qualities of his head and heart he won the regard of all who knew him.

The funeral arrangements were admirably carried out by Mr. Henry Lee, undertaker. The remains were placed in a magnificent coffin, covered with rich black cloth, and tastefully ornamented; and beautiful wreaths and bouquets of exquisite flowers were placed over the breast of the deceased.

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Browning was a private secretary to Vice President Andrew Johnson. On the morning of April 14, Booth left Browning his calling card at the Kirkwood Hotel. Booth wrote on a card: "Don't wish to disturb you: are you at home? J. Wilkes Booth." A hotel clerk placed the card in Browning's mailbox in his absence.--

**Browning, William Theodore**

d. 21 Aug 1876

9 mos.

**Maddox Vault**

Browning. On Monday, the 21st instant, at 2 o'clock p.m., William Theodore, only child of Ella L. and Theodore F. Browning, aged 9 months. Relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral at No. 411 3d street northwest, on Wednesday, the 23d instant, at 4 o'clock p.m. (Philadelphia and Columbus (Ga.) papers please copy).