

Laurie, Cranston	d. 4 Nov 1880	72 yrs.	R2/103
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Laurie. On the 4th November 1880, Cranston Laurie in the 73d year of his age. His friends are invited to attend his funeral on Saturday, 6th inst. At 3 o'clock p.m. from Memorial Church, 14th and N street n.w.

The Evening Star, November 5, 1880

Deaths of Post Office Department Clerks

Mr. Cranston Laurie, one of the principle clerks of the Post Office department, expired at his residence on O street northwest, yesterday, in the 73d year of his age. Mr. Laurie was appointed to office in 1834. He was a son of the late Rev. Dr. Laurie, of the Presbyterian Church; who erected the church for many years has been known as Willard Hall, on F street. His mother, Mrs. Laurie, is still well remembered as one of the first directresses of our Protestant Orphan Asylum.

Laurie, Mrs. Elizabeth Bell	d. 6 May 1849		R45/170
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Laurie. On Sabbath evening, the 6th instant at a quarter before 9 o'clock, Mrs. Elizabeth B. Laurie, wife of the Rev. Dr. Laurie of this city. The members of F street church, the friends of the family and the managers of the different benevolent societies of which she was so eminent a member are respectfully invited without further notice to attend her funeral which will proceed from the church at half past 3 o'clock precisely this afternoon (Tuesday).

Laurie. Died on Sabbath evening, the 6th instant, at a quarter before 9 o'clock, Mrs. Elizabeth Bell Laurie, wife of the Rev. Dr. James Laurie, of this city.

After a wasting illness of several weeks and the most anxious solicitude and untiring attention on the part of her family and friends, this estimable lady has passed from our midst; but the light which still radiates from those daily deeds of love and charity which marked the bright pathway she trod on earth remains to shed comfort and hope, in this dark hour, over that forsaken home. Pre-eminent for her piety, she wore its most attractive garb--humility and unostentatious zeal. For many years the presiding spirit of the "Female Union Benevolent Society," the "Dorcas Society," and also connected with the "City Orphan Asylum," her self-sacrificing devotion to these noble causes--seeking out the homeless, the destitute, and distressed, and relieving their wants--made her influence extensively known and felt; and, whilst many an echoing note of woe will come from the hearts of a numerous circle of friends, by none will her loss be more deeply felt than by that class of suffering humanity to which so large a portion of her time and energies were directed.

But, though her public acts of benevolence were so many and so various, the Christian virtues and graces which formed and adorned her character shone most conspicuously in that home where her absence leaves such an aching void; for it was there, where the tender devotion manifested to the interests, the comfort, and happiness of those dearest to her--the self-sacrificing spirit evinced on all, even the most trifling, occasions, as if the chief joy of her heart was, in imitation of her Savior and great exemplar, to minister to others--was best appreciated and felt. Those deeds of love have passed from earth, yet their record lives in the memory of One by whom even the simplest act of kindness is not forgotten, " and will in nowise lose its reward."

To her bereaved partner, advanced in years, and bowed down in affliction; we can but offer the sincerest sympathies of his numerous friends, confidently hoping that he will receive consolation in this his hour of need from Him who is ever now, as of old, near the open grave, to weep with those who weep and to breath forth once again those holy words of consolation; "I am the resurrection and the life. He that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: and whoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die."

The funeral services were conducted, on the 8th instant, with great solemnity, in F street church, which was appropriately clad in the deepest mourning. The Rev. Mr. Berry, of Georgetown, delivered a beautiful and impressive discourse, which was followed by most fervent and touching prayer, by the Rev. Mr. Gurley. A crowded assembly within the church testified their grief on this mournful occasion, and the tears and sobs of the little orphans who came to take a last fond look at the placid countenance of her who had been to them a mother, melted all hearts. Few such funerals have been witnessed in this place, and never perhaps was there a deeper, stronger, or more general manifestation of sympathy and regret than has been elicited by the departure of this venerated Christian lady.

A Friend.

Laurie, Rev. James	d. 18 Apr 1853		R45/171
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Laurie. At his residence in this city, yesterday morning, the 18th instant, after a brief illness, and in the peaceful hope of a happy immortality, the Rev. James Laurie, D.D., for half a century the Pastor of F Street Presbyterian Church. His funeral will proceed from his late residence, in E street, at 3 o'clock tomorrow (Wednesday) afternoon, to the F street Presbyterian Church, where the services will commence at 3-1/2 o'clock. The friends of the family are invited to attend without further notice.

The National Intelligencer, April 20, 1853

The Late Dr. Laurie

At a meeting of the Washington City Young Men's Christian Association, held on Monday evening April 18th, 1853, the death of the Rev. James Laurie, D.D. having been announced, a committee was appointed, consisting of the Rev. Mr. Samson, C.W. Schreiner, and R.L. Smallwood, to prepare resolutions expressive of the feelings of the Association at this dispensation of Providence. The following were reported by the committee and adopted:

Whereas it has pleased the great Head of the Church to remove from the sphere of his labors, on this day of our meeting, the Rev. Dr. Laurie, who for nearly fifty years has been pastor of a Christian church in this city, who has been foremost in every new enterprise for good, and who was one of the first life members of this Association; therefore

Resolved, That, while we express our deep sympathy with the bereaved family and with the church of which he was so long pastor, we feel the sad conviction that our whole religious community has in him lost a valued friend and fellow-laborer.

Resolved, That the members of this Association will in a body attend his funeral, and that for this purpose they will meet on Wednesday afternoon, at three o'clock, at the hall of the Unio Academy, 14th street and New York avenue, to proceed thence to the F street church.

A. Richards, President

Wm. J. Rhees, Secretary

Laurie, James Crailin

d. 11 Dec 1892

43 yrs.

R44/116

Laurie. On December 11, 1892, at 6:30 a.m., James Crailin Laurie, aged 43, beloved husband of Ida M. Laurie and grandson of the late Rev. Dr. Laurie.

Past his suffering, past his pain,
Cease to weep, for tears are vain.
Calm the tumult of thy breast,
For he who suffered is at rest.

Funeral from his late residence, 153 N street southeast, Tuesday, December 14 at 3 p.m. Friends and relatives respectfully invited.

The Evening Star, Monday, December 12, 1892

Another Victim

James Laurie Dies From Injuries He Received When Struck By a Train

James Laurie, the steamfitter who was struck by a train on the Baltimore and Potomac railroad on the grade crossing at New Jersey avenue the day before Thanksgiving, died at Providence Hospital at an early hour yesterday morning. The deceased was forty-three years old and had lived in the city all his life, and would in all probability have been alive today had the tracks been depressed or the grade crossings abolished in some other way.

On the day of the accident he was at work as usual and was on his way across Virginia avenue when a passing train struck and horribly injured his arms and legs. In that pitiable condition he was removed to Providence Hospital, where it was thought he would live but a short time, but under the good treatment he received he seemed to improve for a while. Then a change for the worse came and death ensued.

Although he died early yesterday morning his death was not made known to the coroner until a Star reporter gave the information today.

In the meanwhile, Dr. Hall, the resident physician at the hospital, gave a certificate of death and the body was removed to the late home of the deceased on N street southwest.

During the day Lieut. McCathran of the fifth police precinct notified, the coroner of the sad ending of Mr. Laurie, and the coroner will investigate the case this afternoon. It is likely that an inquest will be held tomorrow.

A burial permit has been issued for the interment of the deceased in Congressional cemetery on Wednesday.

The Evening Star, December 13, 1892

James Laurie's Death

A Coroner's Inquest Being Held to Determine the Responsibility

This afternoon at 2:30 o'clock Coroner Patterson held an inquest at the fifth precinct station to fix the responsibility for the death of James Laurie, whose death resulted from being struck on the New Jersey avenue grade crossing the day before Thanksgiving, as published in yesterday's Star.

The jury viewed the body at the house and then assembled in the police station and heard the testimony.

Lawyers Charles Maurice Smith and George W. Albright were present as representatives of the widow and children of the deceased, who they stated are in sad circumstances.

The watchman who is now on duty at this crossing, it was stated, was given his position after he had been struck by a train and injured.

Watchman Griffis' Testimony

The first witness examined was Charles Griffis, watchman at the New Jersey avenue crossing. He testified that he was on duty at the time of the accident. Conductor Collins was shifting passenger cars about 11 o'clock in the morning and the crossing was blocked about two minutes. The conductor cut the train in two, leaving an opening, and two gentlemen attempted to cross, going south, one in advance of the other. The one who started over first stopped in the middle of the north-bound track. He stepped backward and then forward and train No. 50 struck him. The witness was giving his testimony when the report closed.

Laurie, James Crailing d. 31 Aug 1905 2 yrs. 1 mos. 11 days **R147/177**
 Laurie. On Thursday, August 31, 1905 at 12:45, James Crailing, the beloved son of James C. and Eva Laurie (nee Hayes), aged 2 years 1 month 11 days. Funeral from the residence of his parents, 604 16th street northeast, Friday September 1 at 3 p.m.

Laurie, Margaret Ann d. 8 Feb 1873 **R2/103**
 Laurie. On Saturday morning, February 8th, at quarter past 9 a.m., Margaret Ann, wife of Cranston Laurie. Notice of funeral hereafter.

Laurie, Richard C. d. 15 Jan 1888 19 yrs. **R12/122**
 Laurie. On January 15, 1888 at 9:45 p.m., Richard C. Laurie, the beloved son of Rachel E. Laurie in the 20th year of his age.
 Go home my friends and shed no tears
 I must lie down 'til Christ appears.
 Short was my time, long be my rest.
 God took me when he thought it best.
 Relatives and friends respectfully invited to attend his funeral at Christ Church, G street southeast on Wednesday, January 18 at 4 o'clock.

Laurie, William Hayes d. 6 Aug 1979 **R147/178**
 Laurie, William H. Of Bladensburg, Md., on Sunday, August 6, 1979, William H. Laurie, brother of Pearl L. Gormley, Lillian Adams, James C. Laurie II and Charles Eugene Laurie. Friends may call at Gasch's Funeral Home, 4739 Baltimore ave., Hyattsville, Md., on Wednesday, from 1 p.m. to 9 .m., where services will be held on Thursday, at 11 a.m. Interment Congressional Cemetery.
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