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| Rodgers, (Child) Child of General Rodgers. By Gen. W. Jones. | d. 3 Jan 1840 | | R33/70 |
| Rodgers, Elizabeth Rogers. On Saturday, April 21, 1883 at 11 o'clock p.m., after a long and painful illness, Elizabeth Rogers, in the 60th year of her age. Funeral from parlors of Henry Lee's Sons, Pennsylvania avenue, between Third and 4 1/2 streets northwest, on Tuesday, April 24th, at 2 o'clock p.m. Friends are invited to attend. | d. 21 Apr 1883 | 59 yrs. | R93/187 |
| Rodgers, Frances A. Rogers. On Sunday, July 19, 1908, Frances Adelaide, beloved wife of the late William Rogers. Funeral from the residence of her sister, Mrs. Alice G. Holmead, 3531 13th street northwest, Tuesday, July 21 at 2:30 p.m. Interment private. | d. 19 Jul 1908 | | R88/357 |
| Rodgers, Midshipman Frederick <i>The National Intelligencer, April 9, 1828</i> The Norfolk papers of Monday, received yesterday by the Steamboat Potomac, convey to us the following afflicting information. It will be received by all our readers with sincere sympathy; but by those of this city and elsewhere, who personally know the respected parents of one of the unfortunate youths, it will be received with heartfelt sorrow: <i>From the Norfolk Herald</i> <i>Most Lamentable Occurrence</i> It is with a feeling of deep sorrow that we announce the following occurrence, which has cast a gloom of sadness over our whole community: On Saturday forenoon, the following young gentlemen, midshipmen in the U.S. Navy, viz: William J. Slidell, Frederick Rodgers, Robert M. Harrison, and Bushrod W. Hunter, manned a sail boat, and proceeded down the river, as they had been accustomed to do, for recreation and practice. The wind was blowing fresh; but when they had proceeded about three miles down it became flawy, with intervals of dead calm. It was after one of these intervals, that a sudden and very heavy flaw of wind struck the sails, when the boat capsized, filled and instantly sunk, carrying down with her Mr. Slidell, who never rose. Mr. Rodgers and Mr. Harrison cheered each other for some time, but, exhausted by cold and fatigue, the former sunk, and the latter soon shared his fate. Poor Hunter was on the eve of following his illfated companions, when an East river schooner, then beating down, picked him up, nearly in a state of insensibility, and put back with him to the Navy Yard, where, with proper care, he was in a little time restored to health. Immediately on the receipt of these distressing particulars, Com. Barron ordered boats down to drag for the bodies; but they have not yet been found. Mr. Slidell was from New York, and brother to the lady of Captain M.C. Perry. Mr. Rodgers was 16 or 17 years of age, and son of Com. Rodgers. Mr. Harrison was son of Robert M. Harrison, Esq. Commercial Agent at St. Bartholomews. They were young men of the finest promise, and much caressed in the circle of acquaintance to which they had found a ready introduction in this place. <i>The National Intelligencer, April 12, 1828</i> The body of Midshipman Rodgers having been recovered and brought to the City, his funeral will take place this afternoon, at half past three o'clock, from the residence of his father. The friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend, without further notice. | d. 5 Apr 1828 | 17 yrs. | R56/151 |
| Rodgers, Grover Rogers. Suddenly, Tuesday, July 14th, 1885 of cholera infantum, Grover, youngest child of Wm. And Addie Rogers, aged 4 months 14 days. Funeral Wednesday, July 15th at 1 o'clock p.m. from parents' residence, 324 Pennsylvania avenue northwest. | d. 14 Jul 1885 | 4 mos. 14 days | R6/254 |
| Rodgers, Jefferson D. <i>The Evening Star, June 24, 1897</i> <i>An Officer's Funeral</i> The funeral of the late Policeman Jefferson D. Rodger's took place at 2 o'clock this afternoon from the late home of the deceased, No. 951 E street southwest. Officers Rheinhardt and Harris were pallbearers on the part of the police force, while the other pallbearers were members of DeMolay Commandery, K.T. and the Golden Cross. A detail of policemen accompanied the body to Congressional Cemetery where Masonic services were held over the grave. | d. 21 Jun 1897 | 43 yrs. | R110/C-2 |
| Rodgers, Jerusha C. | d. 18 Mar 1883 | | R56/148 |

than two months after the command devolved upon him a treaty of peace was concluded with that Power, on terms dictated by him and Colonel Lear.

In 1812, the command of a squadron was given to him. He dashed into the European seas, made a number of captures, most of which he from necessity destroyed, returning triumphant after an absence of more than three months. At the time he sailed, a number of the enemy's vessels were on our coast, greatly exceeding the Commodore's squadron in force. These he successfully evaded, and, by drawing them off in pursuit of him, enabled a great number of our merchant vessels, with valuable cargoes, to return in safety to our ports. One of the effects of this cruise was to save millions to our merchants and to our Government.

When the British army marched upon Baltimore, Commodore Rodgers acted a distinguished part in the defense of that city. Many believe that Baltimore would have been surrendered but for the seasonable aid of the force under his command.

After the war, he was appointed Commissioner of the Navy, and presided over that Board for several years. He was mainly instrumental in making regulations which have conduced to the economy of the naval service. He was offered the appointment of Secretary of the Navy, but declined it. Having acted as President of the Board of Navy Commissioners about ten years ago, the President invited him to take command of the Mediterranean squadron, mentioning considerations, inducing him to do so, highly honorable to the Commodore. He accepted, and his flag was hoisted on board the *North Carolina* ship of the line of which D.T. Patterson, Esq. Was appointed Captain.

He cruised in the Mediterranean seas nearly three years. He had much intercourse with the commanders of other naval Powers, and was held by them in high estimation. The ship was particularly distinguished for her fine condition at all times, and the high state of discipline maintained on board. The Commodore, his accomplished Captain, and this noble specimen of American naval architecture, were objects of universal admiration. Returning to the United States, he was again appointed President of the Board of Navy Commissioners, and continued to discharge with great fidelity and zeal the arduous duties of that station, till his constitution was literally worn out, and his mind exhausted, in the service. He then retired—made a trip to England in the hope of recovering his health, and was there received with those kind affections which were gratefully remembered till his last moments.

Of his personal character, it may be added, that, though of quick temper, he was noble and generous in his disposition. He was a Patriot in reality. Though stern in his appearance, he was particularly distinguished for his humanity. The story of his noble and successful exertions to save two young ladies from the massacre at Francois—his sublime efforts to rescue a poor old negro woman floating upon a cake of ice down the Susquehannah, which were also crowned with success, must be told as characteristic incidents of his life, when these brief outlines of his character shall be filled up by faithful History.

Who's Who In the Military

Born near the present Havre de Grace, Maryland in 1773, Rodgers was the son of John Rodgers, a Scotsman who had emigrated to America about 1760 and who, after serving as a colonel of militia in the Revolution, founded one of the most celebrated naval families in U.S. history. After spending some 11 years in the merchant service the younger Rodgers entered the navy as second lieutenant aboard the *Constellation* in March 1798 and in June went to sea on her under the command of Capt. Thomas Truxton. He served as executive officer of the ship during her victorious engagement with the *Insurgente* on February 9, 1799. He was rewarded by being promoted the next month to captain, the first lieutenant to be raised to this rank in the newly reorganized United States navy. After a period of routine duty and a leave of absence he returned to active service in 1802, commanding the John Adams in the squadron sent out under Commodore Richard V. Morris to reinforce the blockade of Tripoli. In May 1803 he captured the Mashuda attempting to run the blockade. In June 1803 he was briefly acting commander of the squadron after the departure of Morris and before the arrival of Commodore Edward Preble. He returned home in December 1803 but rejoined the Tripolitan squadron in the summer of 1804 in command of the Congress. In May 1805 he succeeded Commodore James Barron in command of the squadron, and in June he completed a treaty with Tripoli abolishing the payment of tribute. In September Rodgers exacted a similar agreement from the bey of Tunis and then returned home. From July 1807 to February 1809 he commanded the gunboat flotilla and the naval station at New York, and he was then transferred to command of the Home Squadron. On May 16, 1811, while cruising off Cape Henry aboard the frigate "President," he engaged what proved after a 15-minute fight to be the smaller British sloop "Little Belt" and inflicted heavy damage and many casualties. The action, coming after the "Chesapeake-Leopard" affair, was commended by his superiors and made him a popular hero. During the War of 1812 he was the ranking active officer of the navy, and again he performed effectively, particularly against British merchant shipping. Aboard his flagship "President" he commanded squadron patrols sweeping the Atlantic from the Indies to the Cape Verdes, making four such cruises before the end of war. In 1815 he was chosen by President James Madison to head the newly established Board of Naval Commissioners (the other commissioners being Commodores Isaac Hull and David Porter). He

retained the post until 1837, except for the period 1824-1827, when he was again on sea duty in command of the Mediterranean Squadron from aboard the "North Carolina." He was senior officer of the navy from 1821, and in 1823 he served for a short period as secretary of the navy. He resigned as a naval commissioner in May 1837 and died in Philadelphia on August 1, 1838. His younger brother, George Washington Rodgers (1787-1832), was also a naval officer.

The National Intelligencer, April 12, 1848
To the Editors

Gentlemen: The following extract from the Baltimore American is a very modest Obituary of a gallant young Officer, as much mourned by his companions in arms as any of our fallen heroes in this unhappy war. It is enclosed to you with the request that you will afford it a place in the National Intelligencer in honor of a brave youth who was the very idol of his corps. His friends have been greatly touched by Baltimore hospitality, which they met with in their melancholy journey; and certainly such sympathy does so much honor to human character that it should be held up as an example. S.

"The remains of Lieut. Alexander Perry Rodgers, of the 4th Infantry, son of the late Commodore John Rodgers, of the Navy, arrived yesterday morning from Norfolk, and were transferred, under a guard of honor, to the depot on Pratt street.

"Lieut. Rodgers was in his 21st year, and had just graduated at West Point when he was ordered to join Gen. Scott's column in Mexico. He was engaged at the siege of Vera Cruz, and in the battles of Cerro Gordo, Contreras, Molino del Rey, Churubusco, and Chapultepec. In the last of these engagements he commanded a company in the storming party, until he was killed by a ball through the forehead, when within ten feet of the batteries. He was the officer referred to with so much feeling in Mr. Kendall's account of this battle, as so 'beautiful in death,' with a smile of triumph on his face, and his sword so firmly clenched that it was difficult to remove it from his grasp. His remains were brought from Mexico by the United States ship Germantown, and they are under the charge of his brother, Lieut. C.R.P. Rodgers, of the Navy, to their final destination in the family vault at New London.

"The friends of the deceased beg leave to make their public acknowledgments to Mr. Jacob I. Cohen, Vice President of the Philadelphia Railroad Company at this point, and to Mr. Robert A. Taylor, and Mr. Falls, of the Baltimore Steampacket Company, for their courtesy and liberality in affording free transportation to the remains of a gallant officer. Their warm thanks are also tendered to Messrs. John Stewart & Son, who with great public spirit volunteered a hearse and their personal services on this occasion."

Will of John Rodgers, Capt. In the U.S. Navy of Washington, D.C. (dtd. Sept. 29, 1823, probated Aug. 14, 1838, Will Book 5)

To wife, Mineva Rodgers, all property and debts; due the [Mr.] Duvall's at N.Y., about \$236; Mr. Burnett, of Georgetown, \$15; small sum to Mr. Bacon, grocer; small sum to Mr. Jones, grocer; small sum to Mr. Gunton, apothecary; small sum to Mr. Cana, grocer, small sum to Mr. Prout, storekeeper; Dr. Causin, a small sum.

Exrs.: Minerva Rodgers, wife

Wits.: Isaac Chauncey; Charles W. Goldsborough; C. Schwartz

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| Rodgers, John Slidell | d. 10 Mar 1849 | | R56/149 |
| Rodgers. On Saturday the 10th instant, John Slidell, infant son of Julia and Lt. C.R.P. Rodgers, U.S. Navy. | | | |

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| Rodgers, Mrs. Minerva | d. 17 Feb 1877 | 93 yrs. | R56/150 |
| Rodgers. At Rock Island, Ill. On the 17th February 1877, aged 93 years, Mrs. Minerva Rodgers, widow of Commodore John Rodgers and mother of Rear Admiral John Rodgers, U.S. Navy. The friends of the family are invited to attend the funeral at St. Johns Church, Washington at 2 p.m. on Thursday, 22d February without further notice. | | | |

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| Rodgers, Peter J.P. | d. 19 Mar 1884 | 30 yrs. | R6/254 |
| Rodgers. On Wednesday afternoon, March 19, 1884, at 3 o'clock p.m., Peter L.P. Rodgers in the 31st year of his age. Funeral will take place from the parlors of Henry Lee and Sons, No 332 Pennsylvania avenue northwest on Friday, March 21st at 3 o'clock p.m. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend. | | | |

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| Rodgers, Thomas S. | d. 14 Jul 1907 | | R12/106 |
| Rodgers. On Sunday, July 14, 1907 at the residence of his parents, 640 I street southeast, Thomas S. Rodgers, Jr., beloved son of Thomas S. and Laura V. Rodgers (nee Garcia), aged 2 years and 3 months (Baltimore American please copy). | | | |

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| Rodgers, William Rogers. At 5:20 a.m., Thursday, July 10, 1890, William Rogers in the 46th year of his age, of consumption. Funeral from his late residence, 327 Pennsylvania avenue northwest, Saturday, July 12 at 2 o'clock p.m. Friends and acquaintances invited to attend. | d. 10 Jul 1890 | 45 yrs. | R88/357 |
| Rodgers, William Joseph Rogers. On the 2d instant, William Joseph, second son of Arthur W. and S.E. Rodgers of this city, aged 5 months and 18 days. | d. 2 Sep 1863 | 5 mo. 18 days | R90/201 |