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ambition. He had many sincere friends and was admired, honored and respected by people in all walks of life.

He is survived by one brother, Mr. James B. Pattison, of Philadelphia and by the niece who has so unselfishly devoted her affection, her time and her efforts to making his last years as bright, cheerful, happy and interesting as she could. Other survivors are two nieces: Miss Helene C. Pattison, of Philadelphia; Mrs. Wm. F. Brinkmann, of Philadelphia; three nieces of a deceased sister, who reside in Baltimore.

David Gregg McIntosh, Jr.

The shocking news of the sudden death of David Gregg McIntosh, Jr., on Thursday, May 9th, 1940, was received by the Bench, the Bar, and his many friends with profound sorrow and regret. Upon being officially informed of his passing, this Court adjourned on May 10th, 1940, out of respect to his memory, and appointed a Committee to draft an appropriate Minute to be submitted on this occasion.

In the death of David McIntosh, Baltimore County and its people have suffered a distinct and tremendous loss. All of his useful life was spent in this County, where he was most highly esteemed and respected by its citizens, and where he was always regarded by the Bench and Bar as one of its finest characters.

He was born in Towson, just across the street from the Court House, on July 1st, 1877, being the only son of the late Colonel David Gregg McIntosh and Virginia Pegram McIntosh. His parents settled in Baltimore County shortly after the close of the Civil War, and Colonel McIntosh resided in Towson until his death in 1916, after a long and successful practice of his profession.

David McIntosh received his early education in the schools of Towson, at Major Hall's School in Baltimore, and Marston's School for Boys. Graduating from the latter in 1895, he entered the Johns Hopkins University, and three years later received his A.B. Degree. He entered the University of Maryland Law School after his graduation from Johns Hopkins, and during his law school days was in the office of Messrs. Brown and Brune in Baltimore City. In 1900 he was admitted to the Bar, and continued actively in the practice of law from that time until his death. He was associated with his father, and in 1906 formed a partnership with Mr. James F. Thrift of the Baltimore City

Bar, where they engaged in the practice of law under the firm name of McIntosh and Thrift. He was a member of the Maryland State Bar Association, and frequently served on the Executive Council, and as Chairman of important Committees. From the time of its organization he was a member of the Baltimore County Bar Association and served as its President in 1928. He was vitally interested in its success, and was always ready to give untiringly of his time and efforts for the furtherance of its work and progress.

As might be expected from one of his heritage and character, he upheld to the highest degree the traditions of his profession, and in his relations with the Bench, the Bar and his clients, he exemplified a code of ethics and a standard of honor, dignity, courtesy and fairness which were as dear to him as life itself.

Though quiet and dignified, he possessed a forcefulness, coupled with a persuasive eloquence and personality, which made him a formidable advocate in the trial of his cases, and at the same time his judicious temperment and sound judgment enabled him to wisely advise his clients in the matters which they entrusted to his care. He was the soul of honor, and throughout his life in his dealings with his fellowmen, he practiced those principles which were so firmly imbedded in him as a part of his real character.

He entered into politics for the first time in 1913 when he was elected by the people of Baltimore County as a member of the House of Delegates, serving continuously in that body until the Fall of 1919, during part of which period he served as Speaker of the House. In the Fall of 1919 he was elected to the Senate of Maryland, re-elected in 1923, 1926 and 1930. The members of the Senate held him in such high esteem and so well regarded his leadership and ability, that he was chosen by them as President of the Senate during the Sessions of 1924, 1927 and 1929, over which body he presided with dignity and fairness, and with honor both to himself and the State. It was through his efforts, his counsel and his advice that much of the legislation which has proven so beneficial to the State and this County was enacted into law.

Baltimore County never had a more faithful, conscientious and efficient representative, and during every Session while he was a member of both the House and the Senate, David McIntosh could always be found in Annapolis, where his entire efforts were whole-heartedly exerted for the good of the State and the County

which he so honorably and ably represented. It can be truly said that no personal ambition or prejudice influenced him in any manner in his votes or actions, but he followed the dictates of his conscience in the best interest of the County he loved and the people he served. This service never was productive of financial gain and was always rendered at a personal sacrifice.

For thirty-eight years he was a member of the Vestry of Trinity Church, Towson, and throughout this period he gave unstintingly of his time and efforts in the progress and development of the Church, and the principles for which it stands.

He was a thorough sportsman, fond of all forms of outdoor sport, but perhaps his greatest love was fox hunting, and for many years he was the President of the Elkridge Hunt Club, which organization fostered the sport he so greatly enjoyed, and in which he so actively participated.

On February 15th, 1905, he married Miss Charlotte Lowe Rieman, who with three children, Joseph Rieman McIntosh, Mrs. Charles Turner Williams and David Gregg McIntosh, 3rd, one granddaughter, Ann Lowe McIntosh, and one sister, Mrs. William Waller Morton of Richmond, Virginia, survive him.

There never was a more devoted husband, parent or brother, and the great affection he had for all members of his family, which was so fully returned, was the source of deepest gratification to him and undoubtedly the greatest pleasure he derived from life.

As a host his hospitality was unbounded, his home was always open to his friends and associates, and the delightful occasions when he and Mrs. McIntosh entertained the Bench and Bar, were always a source of the greatest pleasure and enjoyment to all those who attended.

To do honor to the memory of a man like David McIntosh is a privilege, and while we thus imperfectly recall his virtues and talents, we realize that words are futile to truly paint the picture. Kind and considerate, honest and sincere at all times throughout a life full of labor and success in his profession, of splendid work as a citizen, and with the highest sense of duty as a lawyer, full of gallantry as a sportsman, and with an abiding faith in his religion and his God, perhaps the crowning glory of it all was his fidelity to duty, his loyalty to his friends, his devotion to his family and a life of domestic peace.