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Both Mr. Jaudon and his wife, after their decease, were buried in the Jaudon family vault in Mount Vernon Cemetery, Philadelphia.

HON. GEORGE JUNKIN, member 1873. Born at Milton, Penna., March 18, 1827. Died in Philadelphia, April 9, 1902.

His father was the Rev. George Junkin, D.D., LL.D., and his mother Mrs. Julia Rush Miller Junkin. Mr. Junkin was educated under his father at Lafayette College, Easton, Penna., and at Miami University, Ohio. He graduated at the latter institution in 1842. He returned with his father to Easton, Penna., in 1844, and shortly after became a student at law in the office of the Hon. James Madison Porter. He then came to Philadelphia and entered the office of the late Samuel H. Perkins, Esq. Mr. Junkin was admitted to the Bar on March 18, 1848.

For a time he took an active part in local politics, being identified with the old Whig party. He soon gave up politics and devoted his entire attention to his profession. His practice grew rapidly, and it was not long before he took his place among the foremost lawyers of Philadelphia. From the outset he declined criminal business, but in all the civil courts his name and voice and face soon became very familiar, and no man was more heartily welcomed by the Judges, for they recognized in him a lawyer who felt his duty to the court, while he was full of zeal for his client.

In 1882 he was the Independent Republican candidate for Justice of the Supreme Court, and, though not elected, received nearly forty-two thousand votes.

Mr. Junkin was an active member of the Presbyterian Church and prominent in all its important events, having frequently represented the Philadelphia Presbytery in the General Assembly. He was the chairman of the business committee of the Presbyterian Council that met in Philadelphia in 1880, and contributed largely to the success of that great council, in which representatives from all parts of the world par-

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ticipated. He was an elder of the West Spruce Street Church for upwards of twenty years. From 1869, Mr. Junkin had been a director of Princeton Theological Seminary.

Mr. Junkin was married in 1854, and a widow and three children survived him—Joseph de Forrest Junkin, Esq., a member; Rev. Charles R. Junkin, and Mrs. B. B. Comegys, Jr.

HON. JOHN KENT KANE, member 1836. Born in Albany, N. Y., May 16, 1795. Died in Philadelphia, February 21, 1858. He was graduated from Yale in 1814, and was admitted to the Bar in 1817 and practiced in Philadelphia.

He early manifested an interest in public affairs, served in the Pennsylvania Legislature in 1824-25, and as City Solicitor of Philadelphia 1828-30. In 1832 he was appointed by President Jackson as commissioner under the Convention of Indemnity with France, which position brought him near the President, and through this an intimacy arose which continued close and confidential to the end of Jackson's life. In 1845, Mr. Kane became Attorney General of Pennsylvania, but he resigned in 1846 on being appointed Judge of the United States District Court, in which position he served until his death, in 1858. He was distinguished for his attainments in the Roman and Continental law and his judicial decisions, especially in admiralty and patent cases, were widely cited.

Judge Kane was a member of the first board of trustees of Girard College, a founder of the Franklin Fire Insurance Company, and a director of the Girard Bank. He served as vice-president of the Pennsylvania Institute for the Blind, and was prominent in the Academy of the Fine Arts.

He was one of the advisers and a trustee of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States, and from 1856 until he died president of the American Philosophical Society. He married, in 1819, Jane Duval, daughter of Thomas Leiper (member 1767).

His son, Elisha Kent Kane, was noted as an Arctic explorer. He entered the United States Navy in 1843 as assistant surgeon, and served as surgeon in China and on the coast