



Guthrie (James), 1895

James Guthrie (1792-1869) was appointed to be the 21st Secretary of the Treasury by President Franklin Pierce. He began his term in office on 7 March 1853, and served until 6 March 1857.

Builder: Spedden Company, Baltimore, Maryland

Length: 87'

Beam: 17' 6"

Draft: 7' 6"

Displacement: 149 tons

Cost: \$

Commissioned: 8 July 1895

Decommissioned: 24 October 1941

Disposition: Sold

Machinery: Compound-expansion steam engine; Scotch boiler

Performance & Endurance:

 Max: 10 knots

 Cruising:

Complement: 10

Armament:

Cutter History:

This vessel replaced the *Guthrie* of 1882. She was built with a steel hull and a new compound engine. She served initially at Baltimore, MD and then Portland, ME. On 24 March 1898 she was transferred to the jurisdiction with the Navy for the Spanish American War. She was charged with the defense of Baltimore. She returned to Treasury Department control on 17 August 1898. During World War I she was again transferred to the Navy and served guard duty at Philadelphia, PA. She was returned to Treasury Department control on 28 August 1919 and was permanently assigned to Philadelphia. She was transferred to Portland, ME in 1939 where she remained until she was decommissioned on 24 October 1941. She was sold on 24 February 1942.

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