## **Charles Ashton**

(8 Jan 1832 - 23 Dec 1878)

**Ashton**. On the 20th of December, 1878, after a short but painful illness, Charles Ashton, in the 47th year of his age, a kind father and devoted husband. (Winchester, Va., and Port Tobacco Times please copy).

A light is from our household gone;

A voice we loved is still;

A place is vacant in our midst,

That never can be filled.

May he rest in peace.

His Daughter

Funeral will take place from his late residence, No. 1225 4 1/2 street southwest, Monday at 2 o'clock p.m. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend.

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Charles Ashton, of the metropolitan police force, and for many years a sergeant in the first South Washington precinct, died at his residence, No. 1245 4 1/2 street southwest, at 8 1/2 o'clock last evening, of dropsy of the heart, Officer Ashton was a carpenter by trade, but had been on the police force many years. Some four or five years ago he resigned his position as sergeant and was detailed for duty at the Police Court, and was on duty at the court up to about three weeks ago. He was a quiet, unobtrusive man, and paid strict attention to duty, knowing neither friend nor foe in his official capacity. He was a good man and faithful officer.

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## Locals

Thirty policemen were detailed to attend the funeral of their comrade, Charles Ashton, this afternoon.

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## Locals

The funeral of police officer Ashton took place yesterday afternoon from his late residence, No. 1245 4 1/2 street southwest and was attended by many friends of the family