Ira Croson

(- 11 Oct 1883)

Croson. Suddenly on October 11, 1883, Ira Croson in the 54th year of his age.

"Blessed are the dead who died in the Lord."

Funeral will take place from the Tabernacle, corner of 9th and B street southwest on Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock p.m. Relatives and friends are invited to attend.

The Evening Star, October 15, 1883 Ira Croson's Funeral

The funeral of Ira Croson, who died on Thursday from injuries received by being run over by a car at 9th street and Maryland avenue, took place yesterday afternoon from the Tabernacle, of which the deceased was a deacon from its organization. There was a large attendance. The services were conducted by the Rev. L.M. Gardner, of Mt. Zion, Rev. Richard Norris, of Ryland, and Rev. Samuel Kramer. The sermon was preached by Mr. Gardner, and remarks were made by Rev. Mr. Norris. During the services the choir, congregation and Sunday school sang appropriate selections. The pall-bearers were Messrs. Geo. White, W.J. Stephenson, R.F. Downs, W.J. Murtagh, George I. Hall and Wm. Stohl. The remains were interred at the Congressional cemetery.

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A Largely Attended Gathering at the Tabernacle

Mr. Ira Croson, the unfortunate railroad flagman, who died from injuries received by being run over by a railroad train at the Maryland avenue crossing of the Baltimore and Potomac railroad company, last Thursday, was buried yesterday afternoon at Congressional cemetery. The funeral services were conducted at Dr. Hicks' tabernacle, of which the deceased was a deacon, at 2 o'clock p.m. Over 500 people were present. The burial casket, after being placed in front of the altar, was literally covered with flowers, the handsomest offering including a large broken wheel, a pillow inscribed "Rest," an anchor and a crown. During the services the choir sang "Rest Spirit, Rest," and "Jess, Lover of My Soul," and the children of the Sunday school sang, "It is well with my soul." The funeral sermon was delivered by Rev. Mr. Gardner, whose assistants during the rest of the service were Rev. Richard Norris and Rev. Samuel Kraemer. The pallbearers were: William Stahl, George White, W.J. Stephenson, R.F. Downs, William J. Murtagh and George I. Hall.