

Johnson Dillard (- 24 Jun 1907)

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Loses His Life

Laborer at Washington Barracks Bleeds to Death

Johnson Dillard, a laborer, while working at the arsenal for a contractor who was taking down a brick wall, was struck by a piece of scantling yesterday afternoon. His jaw was fractured and a blood vessel severed. The man bled to death.

When Dillard arranged the scantling and was about to throw the wall he was told by the contractor that he had not done the work properly. He said, however, that he had thrown many walls before and he understood his business. The accident followed and the body of the laborer was removed to the morgue. Coroner Nevitt made an investigation and gave a certificate of accidental death, pointing out that had a physician been on the scene life could have been saved by stopping the flow of blood. Dillard boarded at 471 C street and his parents reside at 466 M street southwest. His parents had an undertaker prepare the body for burial.