

John R. Feaster (- 15 Jan 1906)

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Unconscious When Found

Man Believed to Be John R. Feaster Sent to Hospital

A man, who was later identified as John R. Feaster, was found lying upon the sidewalk in front of 519 8th street southeast this morning about 6:15 o'clock, and attracted the attention of a number of pedestrians. The man on the pavement was unconscious, and he was removed to the Casualty Hospital. There was a cut over the left eye of the unconscious man, and it was suspected that he had been assaulted. Later in the day Detective Cornwell made an investigation, and was convinced that the patient had fallen upon the sidewalk. He was ill when he left his home at 615 L street southeast, this morning about 5:45 o'clock, and had to be assisted to the door by his wife. He went to the barn of the railway company and got excused from work, and was told to send a substitute to perform his duties. The substitute was found at a house near where the sick man was afterward picked up. At the time he was taken to the hospital nothing was known about his identity, and it was not until Detective Cornwell had made an investigation that his name was ascertained. The detective learned from Mrs. Feaster that her husband had been ill for a number of days, but had insisted upon going to work.

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Injuries Result in Death

John R. Feaster Fractured His Skull When He Fell on the Street

John R. Feaster, forty-five years old, who fell from the steps of a house on 8th street southeast at an early hour yesterday morning and received such severe injuries, as stated in yesterday's Star, died at the Casualty Hospital last night about 10 o'clock. Coroner Nevitt made an examination of the body and found that Feaster had sustained a fracture of the skull. His death, the coroner found, was the result of an accident, and he gave a certificate accordingly. Feaster had been in the employ of the Capital Traction Company for many years, having driven a hill horse before the cable system was installed. His fall yesterday morning, it is thought, was due to his illness. After the coroner had concluded his investigation the body was removed to the late home of the deceased. Feaster is survived by a widow.