

William Fielding

(- 6 Dec 1894)

Fielding. On December 6, 1894, William Fielding, aged 33 years. Funeral Sunday, 2 p.m., at 834 7th street northeast.

The Evening Star, December 7, 1894

The Third Victim

Fielding, Who Fell at City Post Office, is Dead

There was a slight return of the Burst of Energy at the post office site today, and fifty-two men were employed. The reason was that work was resumed on the iron handling, and several beams were set in the space around the central tower. These men have within them the possibility to finish the building by the 23d of August, 1897, according to the lavish estimates of The Star made at the beginning of the scrutiny that has been made of the work. But this is too absurdly generous to be worth more than passing consideration.

William Fielding, the mortar mixer who fell yesterday morning and fractured his skull, as told in The Star of last evening, died at the Emergency Hospital at 6 o'clock yesterday afternoon. His death has cast a gloom over the building, as he was one of the most intelligent and popular workmen employed there. He was a sober, industrious man, and great sympathy is felt for his wife and family of four small children, who are left without a bread winner by this sad accident.

This is the third fatal casualty at the site within two months. One man, who had received severe injuries in the Chilean riot while a sailor on the U.S.S. Baltimore fell a short distance and died from the shock. Another man who had just come from Chicago to work on the stone setting was crushed under a massive granite block that fell when the steel dog on the engine ratchet broke. Fielding is the third victim.