John H. Fitzpatrick

(- 27 Dec 1866)

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Found Dead in the Canal

This morning the body of a man wearing the uniform of a U.S. Marine was discovered in the Canal, at the foot of 13th street west. From the tracks made by him on the frozen ground it is supposed that he got over the lumber piled on the wharf and fell into the Canal. He then tried to get out but perished with the cold. The Coroner was sent for to hold an inquest.

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The Inquest.

Yesterday afternoon Coroner Woodward held an inquest in view of the body of the marine who, as we stated yesterday was found in the canal at the foot of 13th street. The body was identified by officers of the Marine Corps as private Fitzpatrick and the jury decided that he came to his death by being frozen after falling into the canal.

From Pennsylvania. Drowned in Washington Canal at Navy Yard while in active service.