Benjamin F. Fletcher

(- 14 Sep 1904)

Fletcher. Suddenly on Wednesday, September 14, 1904, Benjamin F. Fletcher, beloved husband of Addie Fletcher. Funeral from his late residence, 1013 M street s.e., Friday, September 16 at 4 p.m.

The Washington Post, September 15, 1904

Workman Fell To His Death

Benjamin Fletcher Died of Fractured Skull After Reaching Hospital

Benjamin Fletcher was killed in the Eleventh street car barn shortly after 10 o'clock yesterday morning. Fletcher was repairing trolleys. He lost his balance and fell from the top of a car, fracturing his skull. Fellow-workmen sent him to the Garfield Hospital in an unconscious condition, and he died shortly after his arrival at the institution.

Fletcher lived at 1015 M street southeast, and was twenty-eight years old. His relatives were informed of his death, and after Deputy Coroner Glazebrook gave a certificate of accidental death they took charge of the body.

The Evening Star, September 14, 1904, p. 2

Injuries Result In Death

Benjamin Fletcher Falls From Motor Car, Fracturing His Skull

Benjamin Fletcher, an employe at the 11th street car barn of the Washington Railway and Electric Company, fell from the top of a car at the barn about 10:30 o'clock this morning, fracturing his skull. The injury resided in his death at the Garfield Hospital, a short time later, to which institution he was immediately conveyed after the accident. Acting Coroner Glazebrook was notified of his death, and will decide this afternoon whether or not it will be necessary to hold an inquest.

Fletcher was standing at the top of one of the motor cars making some minor repairs to the trolley rod when he suddenly lost his balance and fell over backward striking his head against the hard floor. He was unconscious when picked up by other employes who carried him to the hospital named a short distance away. Death, as stated, ensued a short time after his arrival there. Fletcher was twenty-eight years of age and resided at 1015 M street southeast.