

David H. Hardester

(- 28 Jan 1879)

Hardester. Suddenly on the afternoon of the 28th January, 1879, David Hardester, in the 69th year of his age. The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend his funeral from his late residence, corner of Fourth and E streets southeast, on tomorrow (Thursday) afternoon at 2 o'clock.

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The Death of Mr. David Hardester

The coroner's inquest yesterday afternoon over the body of Mr. David Hardester, who was fatally injured last Monday by being run over by a carriage on Pennsylvania avenue east, resulted in a verdict exonerating the driver of the vehicle from blame. It was not Major Nicholson's carriage which ran over Hardester, as erroneously published heretofore, but a hackney carriage in which he was seated at the invitation of the gentleman who hired it, and he and they gave every attention to the injured man after the accident.

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An Aged Man Killed by Being Run Over in the Street

Mr. David Hardester, nearly 70 years of age, was run over on Monday evening by the horse and carriage of Major A.A. Nicholson, of the marine corps, on Pennsylvania avenue, between 4th and 5th streets s.e., and was at once removed to his home, on the corner of 4th and D streets s.e., where he was attended by Dr. C.M. Ford. He was found to be internally injured and he lingered until about three o'clock yesterday, when he died. It is believed that Mr. Hardester, seeing a wagon coming down the street was trying to keep out of the way and Major Nicholson's driver was trying also to keep out of the way of the wagon and did not see the deceased until the carriage was so close upon him that he could not pull the horse up. This morning Dr. Patterson, the coroner, held an inquest and Dr. J.F. Hartigan made an autopsy.