

## Charles A. MacNichol (1854 - 27 Jan 1934)

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**MacNichol, Charles.** On Saturday, January 27, 1934, Charles MacNichol, beloved husband of Ada B. MacNichol. Remains resting at the Lee funeral home, 4th and Massachusetts ave. n.e., where services will be held on Monday, January 29, at 3:30 p.m. Relatives and friends invited. Interment Congressional Cemetery.



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### **Inventor of Paint Formula Expires Charles MacNichol's Preparation Used on Capitol and Other Buildings**

Charles MacNichol, 79, inventor of the special paint formula used on the Capitol, died Saturday at his home, 19th Fifth street northeast. Funeral services were to be held today at 3:30 p.m. at Lee's undertaking establishment with burial in Congressional Cemetery.

The paint, which he discovered in collaboration with Harry Gardiner, Washington scientist, is applied every four years to the exterior and interior of the building, and it will continue to be used, the Capitol architect's office said.

During his contracting days one of Mr. MacNichol's most difficult accomplishments was the painting of the interior and ceiling of the Capitol rotunda. He also painted Statuary Hall, the White House, Treasury, State, War and Navy Building and the Interior Department, using his special paint.

Mr. MacNichol was a member of the National Lodge of Masons and a former president of the Master Painters' Association. He was born in Philadelphia in 1854. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Ada MacNichol, and a son, Walter M. MacNichol.

He was well known among rod and reel men of this section. He was known as one of the best anglers in the District, and took a keen interest at all times in fishing, particularly in bass fishing at which he was considered a master.