

William Palmer

(- 30 Jun 1856)

Palmer. Suddenly on the 30th June, Mr. William Palmer, of congestion of the brain, aged 42 years. The friends of the family are informed that the funeral will take place from the house of his nephew, William H. Palmer, 206 F street, near 13th at 3 o'clock this afternoon.

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Mr. William Palmer, well known to the musical professors and amateurs of Washington, died suddenly yesterday at Liberty Hall, Pennsylvania avenue, near 15th street. He went into the hall about one o'clock, and, attempting to sit down, fell upon the floor. He was helped to a seat, and appearing to be unwell, Mr. Hammack, one of the proprietors, helped to move him to a refreshment room where he could rest himself without being disturbed. In this room he remained until his groans again attracted the attention of Mr. Hammack, who sent for physicians and at the same time had Mr. Palmer removed to a better position in the passage. He was taken with convulsions, and after a relief from them he died before the physicians arrived. The physicians in attendance decided that the death was caused by disease of the heart. The deceased is not, as stated by a contemporary, Prof. William H. Palmer (Robert Heller) but an uncle of that gentleman.