

William R. Russell

(- 21 Apr 1883)

Russell. At his late residence, 1511 16th street northwest at 2 o'clock on April 21, 1883, suddenly of rheumatism of the heart, W.R. Russell, MD, in the 47th year of his age. Notice of funeral in Sunday and morning papers.

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Sudden Death of Dr. Russell

The many friends of Dr. W.R. Russell will be pained to learn of his sudden death this morning of rheumatism of the heart. Dr. Russell has suffered much from gout for several years past, but it has been confined to the limbs until recently. Last week he was suddenly attacked with the disease in his breast, but recovered after two day's confinement. He was ordinarily well during yesterday and made his professional calls and retired feeling fatigued and chilled. This feeling, however, soon yielded to sleep. He aroused his wife about 2 a.m. and remarked that he must leave her. Before she had a chance to inquire as to the meaning of the remark he breathed heavily two or three times and was dead. He has in his eighteen years of practice in this city won a host of friends, who will greatly regret their loss.