

## John Souder Slater

(21 Jul 1837 – 21 Jul 1875)

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**Slater.** On July 21 at 7:30 p.m. of consumption, John S. Slater, aged 38 years. Funeral Friday, July 23 at 4 o'clock p.m. from N. Carolina ave., M.P. Mission, corner 8th street and N. Carolina ave. southeast.

*The Evening Star, July 22, 1875*

### **Death of a Well-known Citizen**

Mr. John S. Slater a well-known citizen of East Washington, died at his residence after an illness of several months.. Mr. Slater was born July 21st 1837, and died on the same day in 1875, at about the same hour on the day that he was born, thus making him exactly 38 years of age. In early life he learned the carpenters' business, but when the internal revenue bill was passed he became connected with the office of the assessor for this District, and served in that and the collector's office for several years. He next took a position under the District government, and had been engaged for some time as principal clerk in the office of superintendent of assessments and taxes. Mr. Slater was for many years a leading member and class leader of the East Washington Methodist Protestant church, and an officer of the Sunday school, and was one of the organizer's of the North Carolina avenue mission of the M.P. church a few years since. Mr. S. was a staunch temperance man and a prominent member of the Rechabites, and was also a member of St. John's Lodge, No. 11, Columbia Chapter No. 1, of Masons, and of the Masonic Mutual Relief Association. He was an earnest Christian of the strictest integrity, possessing the confidence and respect of all who knew him. By his death the District government has lost a faithful officer, the community a good citizen, and the church a zealous member. Many friends will sympathize with his widow and orphaned child. His funeral will take place at 4 o'clock tomorrow afternoon from the North Carolina avenue mission.

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The funeral of the late John S. Slater took place yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock from the North Carolina avenue mission of the M.P. Church, which was crowded to its utmost capacity by the relatives and personal friends of the deceased, among them many of our old and substantial citizens. The services of the church were conducted by the pastor, Rev. Jesse Shreve, assisted by Revs. Oliver Cox and T.D. Valliant, after which the cortege was formed and marched to the Congressional cemetery, where the Rechabite funeral services were performed by Eagle Tent, Chief Ruler T.B. Marche officiating. The remains were deposited in the family lot.