Thomas M. Sullivan

(-28 Mar 1904)

Sullivan. On Monday, March 28, 1904 at 11:15 a.m., Thomas M. the beloved husband of Mary Virginia Sullivan. Funeral from his late residence, Wednesday, March 30 at 11 a.m. Interment Congressional Cemetery. [Washington Post, March 30, 1904, p. 3]

The National Republican, November 1, 1869, p. 4 Destructive Fire -- Policeman Shot

About 2 o'clock yesterday morning, fire was discovered in the junk shop of Mr. E.G. Wheeler, on Seventh street, adjoining the canal. The fire originated in the harness and tent department, and the inflammable character of the material soon enveloped the establishment in flames. The fire department were prompt in attendance, as also a posse of police, who rendered efficient service in endeavoring to remove the property. While thus engaged, a rapid discharge of fire-arms took place, which was attributed to a number of old muskets that were stored away loaded, but we are informed the discharge was occasioned by a six-barreled revolver, belonging to the watchman, which was lying upon the safe, and had become heated. Be this as it may, the result was the dangerous wounding of Officer Thomas M. Sullivan, a minute ball striking him in the left leg, above the knee, and hitting the bone just above the knee-pan, flattening the ball to the size of a half-dollar. The injured officer was at once conveyed to the Central guard-house, where Dr. Eliot extracted the ball. He was then removed to his boarding house, 481 Pennsylvania avenue, near Third street, and last evening he was as comfortable as could be expected, though it may be possible that amputation of the leg will be resorted to. The fire was the result of incendiarism, and the loss will reach \$14,000, with an insurance of \$3,400.

The Evening Star, March 29, 1904, p. 7

Retired Policeman Dead

Thomas M. Sullivan, a retired policeman, died at his home, 37 C street northeast, yesterday morning. The deceased was a native of Ireland, where he was born sixty-three years ago. He served as a trooper during the civil war and became a member of the police force in 1869. For a number of years he did mounted duty about the Center market, and about five years ago he was retired. His funeral will take place from his late home tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock.

[NOTE: Living with Reuben Collins in the 1870 Census]