Richard Ballenger

(- 22 Oct 1870)

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Accidentally Drowned

Acting Coroner Todd, on Saturday afternoon, held an inquest on the body of the drowned man found near 7th street wharf, as mentioned in Saturday's Star, and the jury returned a verdict that the deceased (name unknown) came to his death by accidental drowning. After the verdict of the jury had been returned the body was recognized as that of Mr. Richard Ballenger, a huckster of this city, who resided on L street, between 4 1/2 and 6th streets. He left the city on the morning of the 16th instant on the mail boat for Glymont, and is supposed to have fallen off the boat just before she landed on her up trip. The body was taken in charge by Liberty Lodge, No. 6, K. of P., of which he was a member, and was interred yesterday at the Congressional Cemetery.