

John L. Buckmaster

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Policeman Dead

John L. Buckmaster the Victim of Pneumonia

Policeman John L. Buckmaster died at Providence Hospital last night, after an illness of only five days. He was taken sick Sunday and was compelled to go off duty. Being unmarried and having no relatives in this city he went to the hospital to be treated. He had pneumonia and his condition, it is stated, was serious when he reached the hospital.

The deceased was a native of Pennsylvania, where he was born in 1855. He served in the army, spending several years at Fort Monroe. His first duty as a policeman was performed in July, 1889, and four years later he was promoted. For more than twelve years he did duty in Anacostia where he gained many friends. Members of Naval Lodge, No. 4, F.A.A.M., took charge of his body and had it removed to Zurhorst's undertaking establishment to be prepared for burial.

A brother of the deceased at York, Pa., and a sister in Baltimore were notified of his death. The funeral arrangements will not be completed until the arrival of the brother.

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Policeman Buckmaster's Funeral

The funeral of the late Policeman John L. Buckmaster of Anacostia, who died at Providence Hospital Friday afternoon, took place at 3 o'clock this afternoon from Masonic Temple, 4th street and Pennsylvania avenue southeast. Members of Naval Lodge, No. 4, had charge of the funeral. A detail of twenty-four policemen from the different precincts attended the funeral. The interment was at Congressional cemetery.