George W. Byron

(- 6 Feb 1889)

Byron. On Friday morning, February 8, 1889, at 4 o'clock, George W. Byron, aged 21 years. Funeral at his father's residence, corner Fourth and L street southeast, Sunday, 2:30 o'clock. Friends and relatives invited.

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Locals

Last evening Geo. Byron residing at the corner of 4th and L streets southeast was seriously cut in the arm by John Halliday at the corner of 11th street and Maryland avenue. Byron was attended by Dr. Boarman and was taken to Providence Hospital. Halliday was not arrested.

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George Byron's Death

The Coroner's Inquest in Progress This Afternoon

The body of George Byron, the young man who died at Providence hospital yesterday from the effects of injuries received in a fight with William Halliday, as published in yesterday's Star, was removed to the morgue yesterday where an autopsy was made. Halliday, as stated heretofore, was also badly injured in the fight, receiving a number of cuts about the head and body. Halliday has not yet been apprehended, although his counsel, Mr. Campbell Carrington, says that he will surrender at the proper time; that he is now in a Baltimore hospital. This afternoon the coroner's jury assembled in the sixth precinct station and took testimony concerning the fight Tuesday night, Halliday's father was present with his counsel, Mr. Carrington.

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George Byron's Death

A Coroner's Jury Holds Wm. Halliday Responsible For It

After The Star's report closed Saturday afternoon in the inquest held at the sixth precinct station over the remains of George Byron, who died from the effects of injuries inflicted with a knife by his companion, William Halliday, near 12th and E streets southwest Tuesday night, several witnesses were called, but none of them saw the cutting take place. All the witnesses who saw Halliday and the deceased said that both were intoxicated. George Henning heard the deceased say "My name is Byron and I'm a good man." John Tuker heard the scuffle, and heard some one say "My name is Byron, and I'm a d-- good man." He also heard the same voice say "Let me go." James E. Hall testified that he was aroused by hearing cries of "murder." John Mooney gave testimony to show that when he last saw Halliday and Byron they were friendly and had not quarreled. George Berg testified that he heard the scuffling on 12th street Tuesday night. He could not identify either of the parties. He heard one of the parties say: "You --- ---, I'll kill you." One of the men started down the street, and the other, who seemed badly hurt, called to him, "Wait for me, George; I want to speak to you." The reply was "No, you --- ---; I gave you what you deserved, and I want nothing more to do with you." Other witnesses gave corroborative testimony. Dr. Cole, resident physician at Providence hospital, testified that about 11 o'clock Tuesday night Byron was brought to the hospital. He was drunk and boisterous. There was an

incised wound of the arm, which was bleeding profusely, Witness sewed up the wound and made the patient as comfortable as possible. The next day he complained of a pain in his stomach. Upon examination witness found a stab wound of the stomach. Drs. Bayne, Mallon and Cook were called to see the patient, and after consultation, Dr. Bayne dressed the wound. Thursday night there were symptoms of peritonitis and Friday morning he died. Dr. Bayne gave corroborative testimony. Dr. Hartigan testified that the wound of the stomach caused death. The jury found that Byron died from a punctured wound of the stomach inflicted by a knife held in the hand of Wm. Halliday.