

George W. Kemp

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Dropped Dead In His Bath

Body of George W. Kemp, a Pension Clerk, Found by His Family

George W. Kemp, an old resident of Capitol Hill, died suddenly at his residence, 237 Tenth street northeast, yesterday from heart disease. He went to the bathroom at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon, and a few minutes later his daughter heard him utter a noise that alarmed her. Going to the room, she found her father dead. Death had overtaken Mr. Kemp just as he attempted to summon someone to his side, and these were the sounds heard by his daughter. The family were aroused, and Dr. W.P.C. Hazen was summoned; but it was too late. Heart disease was the cause of his death.

J. Arthur Kemp, clerk at Police Headquarters, the only son of the deceased, living at Rockville, was notified. He immediately came to the city. Mrs. Wrenn, of New York, and Mrs. Allen and Miss Kemp, of this city, are daughters. Deceased leaves a widow, who is bowed in grief at the sudden taking away of her companion of many years.

Mr. Kemp was born at Frederick, Md., January 8, 1824, and removed to this city in 1873. In 1882 he was appointed a clerk in the Pension Office, which position he held at the time of his death. He worked as usual Saturday at the office, but complained of feeling ill when he went home in the evening.

The funeral will be held from the residence at 4:30 p.m. tomorrow.