Benjamin King

(- 2 Dec 1861)

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Accidentally Drowned

The body of a man was recovered from the canal on Sunday night, and from papers found upon the person of the deceased his name is supposed to have been Benjamin King, master of a train of Government wagons. It appears that he accidentally fell into the canal near Maryland avenue bridge about 8 o'clock in the evening, and was drowned before help could reach him. An inquest was held yesterday morning, when a verdict of accidental drowning was rendered. Deceased appeared to be about 40 or 45 years of age, and was dressed in a brown cashmere coat, blue military vest, gray pantaloons, white slouch hat, and heavy cowhide boots.

He belonged to the Masonic fraternity, which order has taken charge of the arrangements for the burial of the body. The funeral will take place this afternoon, and will be attended by the Masons of this city.