John R. Pierce, Sr.

(-17 Oct 1874)

Pierce. Suddenly of apoplexy on the 17th inst., John R. Pierce, Sr. in the 53d year of his age. The relatives and friends are respectfully requested to attend the funeral from his late residence, 318 D street s.w. at 2 o'clock p.m. on Tuesday, 20th inst.

The Evening Star, October 19, 1874 Sudden Death

Mr. John R. Pierce, plasterer, while at work in house No. 151 1/2 street southeast, on Saturday, suddenly fell to the floor and expired in a few minutes. The deceased was 54 years of age, and resided at 318 D street southwest. Coroner Patterson was summoned but deemed an inquest unnecessary, the cause of death evidently being apoplexy. The remains were turned over to a son of the deceased for interment. The deceased was well known as a local politician in the 7th ward, was one of the early members of the republican party in this city, and at one time commissioner of improvements of the 7th ward.