

Name	Birth/Death	Age	Range/Site
Springman, Annie H.	d. 6 May 1893		R72/314
<p>Springmann. Departed this life, May , 1893 at 7 o'clock p.m., Annie H., beloved wife of John T. Springmann, jr.</p> <p>Tis hard to break the tender cord When love has found the heart; Tis hard, so hard, to speak the words We must forever part.</p> <p>Dearest loved one we have laid thee In the peaceful grave's embrace But thy memory will be cherished Till we see thy heavenly face. By Her Husband</p> <p>Funeral Tuesday, May 9 at 2 o'clock from her late residence, 802 Seventh street s.w. and thence to Epiphany Church, G street between 13th and 14th streets n.w.</p>			
Springman, Bernetta Henrietta	b. 1853 – d. 25 Feb 1929	77 yrs.	R16/13
<p><i>Washington Evening Star, Friday, Sept. 26, 1929</i> <i>Lifelong resident of Washington expired yesterday from injuries received in accident.</i> Funeral services for Mrs. Henrietta H. Springman, 77 years old of 497 Maryland Avenue, who died yesterday at her home from injuries received six months ago in an automobile accident in Virginia will be held tomorrow afternoon (Sat.) at the Springman residence.</p> <p>Mrs. Springman was a lifelong resident of Washington having been born here in 1853. She was one of the oldest members of the Calvary Baptist Church and was long associated with local church and charity work. She is survived by two sons and a daughter. They are Frank Springman and Detective Sergt. James A. Springman of this city and Mrs. Susan Glading of Philadelphia. Burial will be in the Congressional Cemetery.</p>			
Springman, Charles E.	d. 21 Jul 1897	19 yrs.	R94/72
<p><i>The Evening Star, July 23, 1897</i> <i>Held An Autopsy</i> <i>Studying the Cause of Young Springmann's Death</i> <i>Brain Effects of Hydrophobia</i> <i>Dr. Glazebrook Objects to the Presence of Reporters</i> <i>The Funeral Services</i></p> <p>For the first time in the medical history of Washington an autopsy was performed today on the body of a person who had died with a genuine, well-developed case of hydrophobia. The subject was the body of Charles E. Springmann, the young boy who died Wednesday night as the result of the bite of a stray dog received some time ago, as reported in Wednesday's Star, and the medical profession of the city are much gratified at being able to point to an operation of this character.</p> <p>When it was first known that the attending physician, Dr. Millard F. Thompson, wished to make an autopsy, both Mr. Frederick Springmann, the boy's father, and Mrs. Springmann strenuously objected, on the ground that they did not want the remains of their beloved boy disturbed in any way. After hours of argument Mrs. Springmann gave in when the plea was put forth that it was not only for science but for the benefit of other mothers who might have children afflicted with the same dread disease. Then it was that she succumbed to the inevitable, and Mr. Springmann followed her opinion.</p> <p>The autopsy was set for 11 o'clock this morning, but it was nearly 12 when the physicians who were to engage in it arrived. The operation was performed under the directions of Dr. Glazebrook, the acting coroner of the District, and he was assisted by Dr. Millard F. Thompson, the family physician of the Springmanns; Dr. H.H. Barker, Dr. W.C. Woodward, the health officer of the District; Dr. J.T. Winter and Prof. V.A. Norgaard of the Agricultural Department.</p> <p>The body of the boy was taken from the casket where it had reposed and was placed on the operating table. The top of the skull was then removed and the brain exposed. This was found to be highly congested, even in as far as an eighth of an inch. The medulla oblongata was then removed. This part of the brain is the seat of the dread disease and will be subjected to tests, in order to find out the peculiar nature of the germs existing therein. It will be tested on various animals and in other ways and the results will be made known through the health office. When the autopsy was concluded and the remains placed in the casket again not the slightest evidence of the operation remained, so nicely had the operators done their work.</p>			

The First Case,

Dr. Thompson stated after the operation that within his recollection it was the only genuine case of hydrophobia that had offered the means to make an autopsy in the history of the city. He stated, however, that as the autopsy had been done after the body had been embalmed the fluids used in the latter operation might act negatively on the results by counteracting the effects of the poison that existed in the body of the subject. He could not tell whether this was the case at this time, but it might turn out so in the tests. Of course, no practical results could be obtained now, and nothing could be learned of the terms, their power or peculiarities, until after the proposed tests had been made.

Dr. Thompson further stated that young Springmann developed the evidences of having what is called hydropneumaphobia, which means afraid of both wind and water, and that these were symptoms shown by young Springman during the awful agony preceding his death. He was as much afraid of air as he was of water, and this is about the only case on record in which such symptoms have been developed. He did not show any of the primary of the primary stages of the diseases, but gave evidence immediately of well-developed symptoms.

One thing to be commented upon during the course of the autopsy was the fact that the reporters were kept out of the room in which it was performed, Dr. Glazebrook giving orders for their being shut out. This was done, notwithstanding Mr. Springmann's desire to have them admitted and his strong argument to that effect. Mr. Springmann insisted that, as he had given over the body for the cause of science, that the autopsy should receive sufficient notice to insure its being heard of, but the doctors in charge did not see it that way, and the reporters had to go.

Mr. Springmann has been in receipt for several days past of a number of communications, all bearing upon the subject of hydrophobia, but they do not seem to contain any feasible means of stopping the progress of the disease, and if they had, as one of Mr. Springmann's sons remarked, "they all came too late."

Funeral Services

The funeral was held almost immediately after the autopsy, at 2 o'clock. A large number of the friends and acquaintances of the family--and they are legion--were present. Father O'Brien of St. Peter's Church conducted the services, after which the remains were immediately conveyed to Congressional cemetery for interment, without stopping at St. Peter's Church, as was at first proposed. The pallbearers were chums of the deceased. They were Louis Diggins, James J. Grace, Arthur Specht, Richard Quinn, Le Roy Paine and Walter Robinson. Of these, Le Roy Paine and Walter Robinson and Arthur Specht were with Springmann when he had the encounter with the dog. Le Roy Paine, it will be remembered, was also bitten, and he will go tomorrow to Baltimore for treatment.

The parlor was completely filled with the floral offerings, which were exceptionally handsome, and which completely hid the newly made grave at Congressional cemetery from sight.

Father O'Brien conducted the usual Catholic services at the house, and made some touching allusions to the life and character of the dead boy.

*The Evening Star, July 23, 1897**Dying of Rabies**Charles E. Springmann of This City Develops the Dread Disease**His Physicians Abandon Hope**The Patient is Unconscious of His True Condition**Bitten Six Weeks Ago*

Charles E. Springmann, nineteen years of age, son of Frederick Springmann, in the express business at 935 D street northwest, has a well developed case of hydrophobia, resulting from the bite of a stray dog, received about six weeks ago. The symptoms of the disease are all present, though the young man was not taken ill until Sunday. Dr. Millard B. Thompson, the family physician, who is attending him and who called in Dr. J. Taber Johnson for consultation, has told the family that there is little or no chance of the patient's recovery.

Young Springman is at the residence of his father, No. 401 South Capitol street, where all possible attention is being given him by his relatives, who are almost heartbroken over the terrible affliction. The patient, who until a few hours ago was perfectly conscious, does not realize his condition which is pitiable in the extreme, as the physicians have been able to mitigate his sufferings but little.

Unaware of His Danger

The young man's throat is swollen, which led him to believe that he had simply contracted a heavy cold, no idea having entered his mind that he is afflicted with that most dreaded disease, and which causes the patient untold suffering. It is with difficulty he can relax his jaws, showing the insidious progress of the disease.

The sight of liquid in any form drives him frantic and the fatal convulsions which mark the end of the disease have already set in. Young Springmann is terribly restless, starting at the slightest noise. He is not confined to his bed at present, having so far shown no violence rendering this necessary, but he is allowed the liberty of the room. His restlessness is most marked. He reclines on the bed a moment, springs to his feet, sits on the edge, and suddenly throws his head back in a convulsion, gasping for breath, while distressing moans come from between his partly clenched teeth. For a day or so he has been unable to talk with members of the family, and has carried on conversation with them by writing on slips of paper. He has so far shown no desire to snap or bark at others, as is sometimes the case with hydrophobic patients, but his frantic fear of anything in the shape of water is one of the most evident symptoms of the disease.

Eyes Are Glaring

His eyes are glaring and bloodshot, and his father states his desire to get outside the chamber in which he is confined is very great. His mind, which was clear until early this afternoon, has become clouded and the traits of the animal, without the

Springman, Charles E. d. 25 Dec 1914 67 yrs. **R142/185**

Springmann. On Friday, December 25, 1914, at 12:50 p.m. at his residence, 14 K street southeast, Charles E. beloved husband of Mollie Springman (nee Poore) aged sixty-seven years. Funeral services at his late residence, Monday, December 28, at 2:30 p.m.

The Evening Star, December 28, 1885

Serious Accident to Mr. Chas. E. Springman

On Saturday last, Mr. Charles E. Springman, of Springman's express, met with a serious accident while directing a force of men engaged in putting machinery in the brick works of Isaac Childs & Son in Northeast Washington. While a heavy piece of machinery was being hoisted in rope gave way. The piece of machinery falling caught Mr. Springman between it and the building in such a way as to pinion him against the building. As the weight was too great to be lifted a portion of the brick wall had to be demolished before Mr. Springman could be extricated. In the meantime he fainted from pain. He was taken to his residence, 612 Maryland avenue southwest. It was found that no bones were broken, but that he was very seriously injured internally.

Springman, Edwin d. 21 Jun 1887 5 mos. 15 days **R1/229**

Springmann. On June 21, 1887, at 12 p.m., Edwin Springmann, youngest son of Samuel and Virginia Springmann, aged 5 months and 15 days. Funeral will take place from 424 Six-and-a-Half street southwest, at 12 m., June 23.

Springman, Mrs. Elizabeth d. 23 Jul 1880 63 yrs. **R43/23**

Springman. On Friday, July 23, 1880 after a lingering illness, Elizabeth, wife of John M. Springman in the 64th year of her age. Funeral will take place from the 5th Baptist Church, Sunday, July 25 at 3 p.m. Friends and acquaintances are invited.

Springman, Francis Arthur d. 12 Jun 1900 2 yrs. 3 mos. 14 days **R16/15**

Springman. On Tuesday, June 12, 1900 at 8 p.m. Francis Arthur, beloved son of Frank and Mary Springman aged 2 years 3 months and 14 days. Funeral (private) at 2 p.m. Thursday, from 146 6th street southwest.

Springman, Frederick V. d. 18 Jun 1922 **R58/259**

Springmann. Sunday, June 18, 1922, at 11 a.m., Frederick V., beloved husband of Annie Carroll Springmann, 804 7th st., s.w. Funeral Wednesday, June 21, from St. Donrinle's Church, 6th and E sts. s.w., 10 a.m. Interment Congressional cemetery. Relatives and friends invited.

Springman, Harry Martin d. 29 Mar 1931 **R94/70**

Springman. On Sunday, March 29, 1931 at Emergency Hospital, Harry Martin Springman. Remains resting at W.W. Chambers Co. Funeral home, 1400 Chapin street northwest. Notice of funeral later.

Springman, James W. d. 4 Nov 1909 68 yrs. **R16/13**

The Evening Star, November 4, 1909

After Long Illness

Deputy Marshall James W. Springmann Passes Away

Efficient and Popular

Won Prisoners' Gratitude by His Treatment of Them

Confined to Bed Many Weeks

*Native of This City -- Born Here Nearly 69 Years Ago--
Funeral Services to Be Held Saturday*

James W. Springmann, for nearly twenty-six years deputy marshal of the District of Columbia, died from Bright's disease of 10:30 o'clock this morning at his home, 497 Maryland avenue southwest.

The funeral services will be held at 3 o'clock Saturday afternoon at his late home. Rev. Samuel H. Greene, pastor of the Cavalry Baptist Church will officiate. Interment will be made in Congressional cemetery. The pallbearers have not yet been selected.

Native of Washington

Mr. Springmann was born in Washington nearly sixty-nine years ago, and had always lived in Southwest Washington. He had been in failing health for some time, and had been confined to his bed for the past twelve weeks. Prior to his appointment to deputy marshal, he was connected with the District fire department.

His wife, Mrs. Bernetta H. Springmann, a daughter, Mrs. H.C. Glading of Philadelphia, and two sons, Frank E. and James A. Springmann, survive him.

Efficient and Popular

Chief Deputy Marshal Robinson, in speaking of the death of Mr. Springmann, said: "He was a most faithful and efficient officer during all the time he had charge of the prisoners at the courthouse and in transit from the jail. At no time, to my knowledge, was there even an attempt made by a prisoner to get away after being laced in Mr. Springmann's custody. By a peculiar knack he made the prisoner understand he was his friend and by many acts of kindness to the unfortunates under his care won their confidence.

"Mr. Springmann was one of the most popular of the marshal's force about the city hall with judges, officials, lawyers and fellow-employees alike."

By the newspaper men assigned to the city hall the death of Mr. Springmann was viewed as a personal loss. Nothing that had the earmarks of a "story" in connection with the criminals under his charge ever escaped him, and he readily gave his information to the reporters.

The Evening Star, November 6, 1909, p. 9

Friend of the Wicked

James W. Springman's Success in Reforming Criminals

Word of Advice For All

Instances Where He Was of Especial Service

Crook Who Forsook His Ways

Happy Marriage and Respectable Life Follow Career in Sin --

One Man's Influence

Among the friends and acquaintances who yesterday attended the funeral of the late Deputy United States Marshal James W. Springman were some who by his advice and aid had been led to forsake the criminal ranks, and were engaged in honest work and occupying respectable positions in the community. For many years he had been in charge of the prisoners in the Criminal Court, and was responsible for them from the time they left the jail until their return, and no matter how deep they were in crime they feared and respected him and regarded him as a friend. Through his efforts numbers of them turned over a new leaf.

There is living today in New York a reformed professional crook with a wife who was once in a gilded palace of sin. They have a bright and promising son and are respected in the community, the husband holding a responsible position in the business world. In a great measure it was through Mr. Springman, whose acquaintance with the man was formed when the latter was in the prison van, that both he and his girl reformed, married and have lived uprightly for years.

Some years ago there operated in and around Washington a band of all-around thieves, which engaged specially in watch lifting, and in a crowd leaving the depot a hotel keeper fell a victim. He notified the police, and in the course of a few weeks the watch was recovered at a Philadelphia pawnshop. The arrest of three men followed, and their trial here resulted in heavy penitentiary sentences. When they were led into the cage in the basement of the courthouse, a pretty woman, attired in black, followed and held an interview through the bars with one of the men who was her lover.

Springman a Witness

Mr. Springman, who was in charge, was a witness to the devotion of the woman, and the predicament of so gentlemanly appearing and intelligent looking prisoner appealed to him. The girl broke into sobs and asked

Mr. Springman how he could be saved from the penitentiary. Mr. Springman said he need not go there a once if the case were appealed, and she hurried away.

In a little time thereafter she had pawned her jewelry, engaged a lawyer, who noted an appeal, and she rejoiced that he was saved from going with his comrades to the pen. He remained in jail in Washington for over a year, and when brought up again in court his lawyer urged, in view of his long confinement, that he be released on the payment of a fine. The court thereupon changed the sentence to six months additional in jail and a fine of \$250.

The man served the jail sentence and upon being brought into court at the expiration of the term the girl met him at the van and paid the money in court. He walked away a free man, but was out for a little time only, for a detective took him into custody for the larceny of a watch in Montgomery county. The man was taken to the jail at Rockville and shortly thereafter was convicted and sent to the Maryland House of Correction at Jessups.

During a year of imprisonment there the girl boarded near and made his time pass more cheerfully by frequent visits.

While at Jessups the two talked over their future prospects, and when he was released he went north, the woman returning to her home in Washington's red light district.

Begs a Chance

It was when the preliminary plans for an inauguration occasion that the man returned to Washington and going to the chief of police, Maj. Moore, asked for a chance to make an honest living. The major failed to recognize him and was told his name and informed that he had served his time, but had determined to lead an honest life. He had taken leave of his old pals, he said, for all time. Now he desired the police to give him a chance to live honestly.

The major questioned him closely, and, resolving to give him the opportunity sought, called the chief of detectives. That officer at once recognized the visitor, and asked if he should lock him up.

"No, sir," replied Maj. Moore, "the man says he has reformed and wants a chance to make an honest living which I have promised him. You can tell the officers to keep hands off. I'll not put an obstacle in his way."

Going to his girl, he informed her of what had passed and of his determination to reform.

"If you can reform, why can't I; we can reform together in married life," said the girl.

"No," he responded, "let me get something to live on first, then we will get married and start together."

He called on "Jim" Springman and made him glad by telling him of his determination, and then set out to look for work. First he secured a few days at laboring work at the inauguration stands, and afterward accepted a menial position in an office at \$5 per week.

Marriage Takes Place

The man and his girl concluded that others had started with no better prospects than they had, so they arranged to get married. Mr. Springman promised to help them, as did a reporter, and having procured the license and engaged the minister -- the late Dr. Sunderland, who was given a brief statement of the history of the couple, they were married. It was a most impressive scene in Dr. Sunderland's parlor, though the company was small.

After the few simple words which made them one the minister briefly addressed them, saying he had been informed of their past life, but the Savior of men had said that "he that was without sin" might "cast the first stone." Dr. Sunderland urged that they try to forget that portion of their lives between innocent childhood and their marriage, and remarking that all religious denominations are pointing heavenward, he urged them to attend some church and to read their Bibles.

Leaving the parsonage a room was secured for a home and there they lived until officious people told the landlady who they were. Another place was secured in the house with a private family, and just at the right time, for the mother of the family became ill and the reformed girl-wife took charge and attended the sick woman and children, besides doing the housework for several months.

Confident the reformation was complete Mr. Springman asked the management of a local railway to give a "reformed thief a job," and he was given a position as conductor. He became in time one of the most popular of men and filled one of the offices of the railwaymen's association.

Shortly after he became a conductor the woman surprised her family, who had long thought her dead, by visiting them, and they became fully reconciled.

For several years the couple resided in the western part of the city, and by their industry and quiet demeanor won the respect of the neighbors, and the police officers did nothing to interrupt their endeavor to fill a respectable place in the community.

Given Better Position

In course of time Maj. Moore was asked to recommend a man for confidential work in a northern city, and, sending for the reformed man, he informed him of the opportunity, and he result was he was put to work, being so employed for a year or more --- in fact, until the business was completed. His employers were so well pleased with him that they at once recommended him to one of he largest firms in New York, and today he occupies a responsible position, commanding a high salary, under the name he bore before he became known as an accomplished crook.

His criminal life was begun with embezzlement from his employer. The money was gambled away, and after enlisting in the army and deserting in a few months, he joined two professional bank thieves, with whom he made a tour of Europe, which yielded \$40,000 besides the amount they blew in. On heir return with others they formed an all-round gang, which operated through the south and west, he and some others coming to grief and getting penitentiary sentences, as stated. In a quarrel over swag between himself and a pal he received a shot, the scar from which he yet carries. When he reached this city with the gang he was wanted by the authorities of over twenty states.

This is but one of the many cases where "Jim" Springman by his influence checked a career of crime, and there is little doubt that those who have reformed, as well as others who have been recipients of his encouraging words, deeply mourn his death.

Springman, Jane Effie d. 15 Nov 1887 1 yr. 1 mos. 25 days **R12/181**

Springman. November 15, 1887, at 12:45 o'clock, of membrane croup, Jane Effie, infant daughter of John T. and Lucinda Springman, aged 1 year 1 month and 25 days.

She was but as a smile
Which glistens in a tear.
Seen but a little while,
But oh! how loved, how dear!
By Her Parents

Funeral services at the residence of her parents, 802 7th street southwest at 2 o'clock on Thursday afternoon.

Springman, John Martin d. 1 Feb 1888 77 yrs. **R94/74**

Springman. On Wednesday, February 1, 1888, at 1 o'clock a.m., John Martin Springman, in the 78th year of his age, a resident of Fairfax County, Virginia. Funeral will take place from No. 800 Seventh street southwest on Friday, February 3, at 2 o'clock p.m. Friends and relatives are invited to attend.

The Evening Star, February 1, 1888

In Memoriam

Death of an Old Citizen

It is with deep regret that the citizens of Washington have learned of the death of Mr. John Martin Springmann, one of the oldest and most respected gentlemen in this section of country. The sad event took place this morning, at his farm in Fairfax County, Virginia, to which he had moved from this city about twelve years ago. Mr. Springmann was born in Germany, and came to this country when about twenty years old. He settled in this city, where his indomitable energy and strict integrity of character soon made him prominent and universally respected. He served with gallantry all through the Mexican war. Mr. Springmann for years was the only drover in this section of country, and supplied the District with all its live stock for market purposes before railroads were introduced. He had accumulated a competency, and, what was better, the esteem and good will of all who knew him. His death was due simply to old age, the functions of the body gradually ceasing, and his dissolution was painless. He leaves a family of seven boys and one girl, all of whom are grown and living, two of whom are Frederick and C.E. Springmann, the well-known express men. His wife died four years ago.

Notice of funeral will be given hereafter.

Springman, Leonard Bradshaw d. 27 Oct 1887 3 mos. 23 days **R71/314**

Springman. Departed this life, October 27, 1887, Leonard Bradshaw, beloved son of John T. and Annie Springman, aged 3 months and 23 days. Funeral services at residence, No. 802 7th street southwest at 3 o'clock, Saturday.

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Springman, Louis d. 27 Jun 1890 5 mos. 11 days **R94/73**

Springman. On Friday, June 27, 1890 at 6:20 p.m., Louis, the infant son of Frederick and Mary Springman, aged 5 months 11 days. Funeral from parents residence, 401 S. Capitol street, Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Relatives and friends are invited to attend.

Springman, Raymond Bartholomes d. 24 Jun 1895 4 mos. 10 days **R94/74**

Springmann. On June 24, 1895 at 6 a.m., Raymond Bartholomes Springmann, beloved son of Edwin L. and Julia L. Springmann, aged 4 months 10 days. Funeral from residence of parents, 318 S. Capitol street, June 25 at 2 p.m.

Springman, Violet d. 7 Sep 1905 11 yrs. **R152/244**

The Evening Star, Sept. 8, 1905

Killed by an Auto

Fatal Accident of Which Child Was Victim

Coroner's Verdict

Exoneration of the Man in Charge of the Machine

Evidence Heard Which Showed That the Unfortunate Affair Was Unavoidable--The Witnesses

Violet Springman, the 11 year-old daughter of George W. Springman of 634 M street southeast, was knocked down and killed by an automobile managed by Gilbert J. Osterman while playing in the streets near the corner of 11th and G streets southeast last evening about 8:30 o'clock. Osterman and his brother, Fred Osterman, who were in the automobile, were arrested, but were released this afternoon by order of the coroner after an inquest as to the accident at the morgue.

The body of the dead child was turned over to her father, and arrangements for the funeral are being made.

The little girl lived with a married sister at 1020 G street southeast, and last evening was playing with three girls of her own age at the corner of 11th and G streets. The children were running back and forth across the street.

Mr. Osterman, who is a contractor, had been visiting his old home in Anacostia and was returning to the home of his brother, with whom he resides, when the accident occurred. According to his statement of the affair he was proceeding north along 11th street at a reasonable speed. He slowed down to pass over the excavations left after the removal of the car tracks that formerly ran east from 11th street, and when his machine reached the other side he was moving at the rate of about eight miles an hour. He saw the children run across the street before he reached the point where they were playing, but none was in the street as he reached the north side of G street crossing.

Child Runs Into Street

He had not gone very far, however, when he saw a child run out from the east side of the street and he turned his machine toward the curb to prevent striking her. When the child reached the center of the street she hesitated and turned back. Before Mr. Osterman could stop his machine it had struck the child. He stopped immediately and his brother ran back to where he saw the child lying on the pavement. Together they carried her to a nearby drug store and a physician was summoned. When the physician arrived the child was dead. Policeman Totten met Osterman at the corner of Pennsylvania avenue and 11th street and after learning of the accident took charge of the case.

The body of the girl was removed to the morgue and the Ostermans were placed under arrest.

At the coroner's inquest this morning a thorough examination of the case was had. The eye-witnesses to the accident were all examined and several persons who had seen the automobile were questioned to ascertain its speed. There seemed to be a divergence of opinion as to how fast the machine was traveling. The Ostermans both stated it was not moving faster than eight or ten miles an hour, and another witness, who had been engaged in the automobile business, stated that it would be dangerous to the occupants of a machine to run it at a greater speed over such rough pavement. He gave it as his opinion that it was moving at a rate between eight and twelve miles an hour.

Alleged Excessive Speed

Several other witnesses stated that the machine was moving at an excessive rate of speed before the accident, but none gave a satisfactory estimate. All agreed that the driver had done his utmost to avoid an accident and that he had stopped his car as soon as he could after the accident.

Most of them agreed that if the child had continued on her way across the street the accident would not have occurred and that to avoid it was impossible, after the child had turned, as she ran directly into the machine.

Among the witnesses examined were Policeman Totten, Dr. Webb, who had been summoned immediately after the accident; the Osterman brothers, George F. Duval, Lansing W. Trower, Mrs. Hannah M. Moore, Harry M. McFarland and John Moran, eye witnesses; Annie Bolton, Lucy Bolton and Mary Brown, children who were playing with the dead girl at the time of the accident; Augustus Reinhardt, who was also playing with the party; W.H. Hammond, an automobile driver and machinist, who saw the accident, and William Hale, who had seen the machine just before the accident.

As a result of the testimony adduced the jury found that the child came to her death through accident, and by order of the coroner the Ostermans were released from custody.

The Evening Star, Sept. 12, 1905

Interment in Congressional Cemetery

Funeral services over the remains of Violet Springman, the 11 year-old daughter of George W Springman, who was knocked down and killed by an automobile driven by Gilbert F. Osterman Thursday evening last, were held yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the home of her father, 934 M street southeast. Rev. W.H. Lamar, pastor of the Wilson Memorial M.E. Church, officiated. The pallbearers were selected from among those who had been playmates and schoolmates of the child and included Spencer Taylor, Earl Higdon, Robert Grace, William Bean, Ernest Scheffer and Edward Cable. The interment took place at Congressional cemetery.

Springman, William	d. 5 Feb 1890	18 yrs. 11 days	R16/13
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Springman. On Wednesday, February 5, 1890 of brain fever, Willie the beloved son of James W. and Nettie Springman aged 18 years and 11 days.

Past his suffering, past his pain
 Case to weep, for tears are vain
 Calm the tumult on thy breast
 For he that suffered is at rest.

Father and Mother

The funeral will take place from the residence of his parents, 146 6th street southwest, Friday, at 3 p.m. Relatives and friends invited.

Springman, Willie	d. 6 May 1887	4 mos. 8 days	R94/73
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Springman. On Friday morning, May 6, 1887 at 6 o'clock, Willie the youngest son of F. and Mary A. Springman, aged 4 months 8 days. Funeral will take place at 2 o'clock p.m., Sunday, May 8 from 499 E street southwest.