

DEATH OF FRED DOUGLASS

**THE AGED EX-SLAVE STATESMAN
SUDDENLY PASSES AWAY.**

He Had Been to the National Council of Women in the Afternoon, and Came Home to Die—Lived to a Good Old Age Full of Usefulness—Born in Talbot County Seventy Years Ago, He Ran Away From His Master in Baltimore—Efforts at Self-education in Order to Get to His Life Work, the Uplifting of the Colored Race—Notable Contributions to the Cause of Abolition—An Editor, Author and Statesman—Tribute of Bishop Wayman.

Washington, February 20.—Frederick Douglass, the noted freedman, orator and diplomat, died a few minutes before seven o'clock tonight at his residence in Anacostia, a suburb of this city, of heart failure. His death was entirely unexpected, as he had been enjoying the best of health.

During the afternoon he attended the National Council of the Women of the United States, now in progress in this city, and chatted with Susan B. Anthony and others of the leading members, with whom he has been on intimate terms for many years. When he returned home he said nothing of any feeling of illness, though he appeared to be a little exhausted from the climb up the steep flight of steps leading from the street to the house, which is on a high terrace. He sat down and chatted with his wife about the women



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at the convention, telling of various things that had been said and done. Suddenly he gasped, clapped his hand to his heart and fell back unconscious. A doctor was hastily summoned and arrived within a very few minutes, but his efforts to revive Mr. Douglass were hopeless from the first. Within twenty minutes after the attack the faint motion of the heart ceased entirely, and the great ex-slave statesman was dead.

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