

A STUDENT SUICIDES

Despondent Medical Student at Keokuk Takes His Life With Laudanum

LEAVES TOUCHING LETTER

Note to His Roommate and Parents Indicates His Despondency—A Letter Left to Young Lady Student at Grinnell, But Contents Are Not Known—Iowa News.

Special to Times-Republican.

Keokuk, Jan. 22.—One of the saddest suicides ever recorded in this city is that of a student at the Keokuk Medical College, S. Wilburford David, aged 23 years. He killed himself because of despondency over ill health, money matters and his college studies. He was a resident of Cincinnati, Iowa, where his parents reside. He killed himself in a room at the Grand Hotel, which he had rented for the night. A two ounce bottle of laudanum found on the dresser when his body was discovered was mute evidence as to the manner in which he had severed the cord of life, and a letter addressed to Loren E. Orr, his roommate and chum, gave a hint as to the cause of the tragedy.

The letter to Orr is as follows: "Dear Mr. Orr: Kindly arrange things as best you can, and send word to my father. Am not getting along as fast as I would like to and cannot stand it. Keep anything you wish in remembrance and remember me to the boys. Yours, S.L.M."

In the simple letter left for his father, mother and grandmother the unfortunate young man makes no reference to his troubles but only bids them a tender farewell. There is no super-scription and the message is unsigned, but it tells its own story. "God bless you mother and father and grandma. My heart's too full to say more."

Letters from the father show that the family's hopes and fondest thoughts rested with the son for whom they were saving every spare dollar and making every sacrifice. He was an only child and all their love centered upon him.

That he was a fellow of unusual ability is shown by the fact that though one of the youngest members for two years he had almost led his class in the college and even when he had begun to neglect his work was considered a good student. His dreams were justified in the high hopes and ambitions that they cherished for his future and had not circumstances so combined to down him he would surely have made his mark in the medical world.

Among other papers was found a sealed letter addressed to Miss Mabel Spooner, Grinnell, Iowa, and this Coroner Hawkins refused to open. Miss Spooner is a student at Grinnell and to his most intimate friends he had often spoken of her.

FIND WATERLOO DRUGGIST.

Charles Todd Wandered Away, and Was Found Near Hudson. Special to Times-Republican.

Waterloo, Jan. 22.—Charles Todd, who disappeared Friday from his home here, was eventually found near Hudson, being brought home by his brother, Joe Hudson. It is thought that Mr. Todd is suffering from the loss of sleep and from nervous anxiety over the case which was recently brought against him, along with other druggists by the temperance people. He stated to his brother and the family that he had gone to the depot to go north to Shell Rock and when he arrived at the depot the train having gone, he started out to walk, not thinking where he was going. He followed the Great Western track to the south, keeping off the track for fear of trains. He did not quite recollect where he spent Friday night but Saturday reported at a farm house and asked for food. The farm people telephoned to Hudson and a liverman went out to the farm, about three miles this side of Hudson, and took the man to town. A. T. Joder recognized Mr. Todd as soon as he arrived in Hudson and "phoned" to the relatives in this city. When Joe Todd found him, he was feeling quite well. He was rational on most subjects and talked freely concerning his absence, saying he did not think of where he was going or of the length of time that he was gone.

ENGINE WIPER HURT.

John Clause, of Alden, Receives Internal Injuries—May Recover. Special to Times-Republican.

Alden, Jan. 22.—John Clause, an engine wiper for the Northwestern, in attempting to step from the engine tender to the coal platform, fell between the two to the ground and was picked up unconscious. Drs. Lewis and Davis were hastily summoned and on examination they found a deep gash on the right side of his head, besides internal injuries. It was first thought that Mr. Clause could not live thru the night, but he rallied, and the doctors now think that he may possibly recover if inflammation does not set in.

HAVELOCK FARMER INSANE.

C. H. Kendall, Living Three Miles From That Place, Becomes Violent. Special to Times-Republican.

Havelock, Jan. 22.—C. H. Kendall, a farmer living three miles northeast of this city, went violently insane in his home yesterday. It was with difficulty that his wife and neighbors were able to pacify him until medical assistance could reach them. He is laboring under the delusion that he is a business man and is buying and selling goods and wants to do business with those around him. He was resting easier Saturday, but has not recovered his right mind.

Freight Kills Section Men.

Independence, Jan. 22.—A south-bound Rock Island struck a handcar on a curve six miles north of here in a fog Saturday afternoon, and Philip Leyden was killed outright and John

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MATHEW MARRIES

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WILL TRY CLARK WILLIAMS.

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Buffalo Center.

E. E. Secor received notice that he had been appointed postmaster at Buffalo Center for another term of four years.

Audubon.

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Rockwell City.

Alex Fowle, an old and highly respected resident of Twin Lakes township, died at his home, four miles northwest of Rockwell City. He was about seventy years old, and leaves a wife and twelve children.

Early.

An incipient blaze was started in the power plant of the E. E. Rowe Gas Co. by the igniting of sediment from a small gasoline storage tank in the building. The fire company was on the scene in five minutes and the blaze was extinguished. The loss was trivial.

Elkader.

Mrs. Frank Keen, of North McGregor, has been found insane by the commission of insanity. Her husband, who was a partner in the firm of Keen & Co., was recently and together with his wife was taken to the state hospital at Independence.

Farragut.

Mr. Lee Greedy, assistant cashier of the First National bank, who for the past at twenty-five or thirty years has been so closely identified with Farragut and the surrounding community, has resigned his position in the bank and will sever his connection with the same the first of February, and with his family will move to Colorado.

Corwith.

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DOCTOR UNDER ARREST

Warrant for O. G. McCauley, Waterloo—Death of M. S. Keenan, Newspaper Salesman

NEVER FILED STATE LICENSE

Keenan Was Found Dead Next Morning After Morphine Injection Given Him by McCauley—Theory Is That Latter Was So Intoxicated He Did Not Know What He Was Doing. Special to Times-Republican.

Waterloo, Jan. 22.—Considerable interest is being taken here in the case of Dr. O. G. McCauley, whose arrest on the charge of practicing medicine and surgery without a state license was the outgrowth of the death of M. S. Keenan, the newspaper salesman. It has been found that Keenan's death appears to have been caused by the injection of morphine, and Dr. McCauley admits that he gave Keenan an injection, but says it was only in such quantity as it usually gives and was given at the request of Keenan. Keenan was found dead the morning after the injection was given.

DAVID KIRK DEAD.

The Deceased Was Greene County Pioneer—Scranton News.

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Scranton, Jan. 22.—Mr. David Kirk, a pioneer resident of Greene county, died quietly suddenly last week. He had been ill only two days. The funeral and burial will be held at the M. E. church Thursday afternoon.

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