

Hannah B. Davis

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Inhales Poisonous Gas, Dies Going To Hospital

Mrs. Hannah B. Davies Commits Suicide at Son-in-Law's Home

Mrs. Hannah B. Davies, seventy-one years old, ended her life last night in the apartment of Thomas Monohan, her son-in-law, at the Melton, New York avenue and 4th street northwest, by inhaling illuminating gas.

Mr. Monohan discovered Mrs. Davies while she was inhaling the gas through a tube when he and his daughter returned home shortly after 9 o'clock. Life was not extinct, and Mr. Monohan had the police of the second precinct hurry the unconscious woman to the Homeopathic Hospital, but she died on her way there. She had been ill for a number of years, and had often expressed a wish that she might die.

Gas Tube in Her Mouth

Recently she had been more despondent than usual, although she gave no intimation of any intention to end her life. Last night Mr. Monohan and his daughter were away from home about two hours, and when they returned were horrified at the sight of Mrs. Davies lying on the floor with the gas tube in her mouth.

Coroner Nevitt made an investigation this morning and gave a certificate of death. Mrs. Davies was formerly a resident of Terre Haute, Ind. She came to this city about nine years ago, her husband having died long before she left Indiana. Mrs. Monohan died after she came to this city.

Undertaker J. William Lee took charge of the body and prepared it for burial. Arrangements for the funeral have not been completed. The interment will be in a local cemetery.