

## Edward F. Lusby

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**Lusby.** Departed this life suddenly on Monday, March 31, 1913 at 11:30 a.m. at his residence, 431 M street n.w., Edward Franklin Lusby. Funeral services will be held at Lee's undertaking establishment, Wednesday, April 2 at 2 p.m. Services will be conducted by National Lodge #12, F.A.A.M. Interment at Congressional Cemetery.

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#### **Leaps From Window; Life Crushed Out**

#### **E.F. Lusby, Adjudged Insane, Prefers Death to the Asylum**

Edward F. Lusby, a lieutenant in the District of Columbia National Guards, twenty-eight years old and unmarried, who was employed as manager of a local clothing firm, yesterday committed suicide by jumping from a second-story rear window at his home, 431 M street northwest. The District authorities were preparing to send him to the Government Hospital for the Insane, a physician having certified to his insanity, when he ended his life.

Coroner Nevitt gave a certificate of suicide showing that Lusby was irresponsible at the time of the deed.

More than a month ago his relatives obtained papers from Sanitary Officer Sroufe and went through the formalities necessary to send him to the Government Hospital for the Insane. J. Barry Lusby, brother of the young man, who resides at 501 L street northwest and other relatives conferred and decided to send the patient to a private institution. He was sent to such an institution and only recently returned home.

Yesterday morning Sanitary Officer Sroufe completed arrangements for Lusby to be taken to the government institution and he would have been taken there about 1 o'clock had he not killed himself. Shortly before 12 o'clock the patient while alone in his room, raised the window and jumped to the brick pavement in the yard.

Relatives hurried to the assistance of the young man. They found his skull had been crushed and that he was practically lifeless.

Regimental officers of the 1st infantry, N.G.D.C., and officers and men of Company F, 1st Infantry, have been ordered to attend the funeral of Lieut. Edward F. Lusby. Col. Ourand, in company of the 1st Infantry was notified of the young lieutenant's death yesterday, and will be one of those to attend the funeral, which will be held at 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon from Lee's chapel. Interment will be in Congressional cemetery.

Lieut. Lusby was regarded as one of the most efficient junior officers in the brigade and had won his commission by good service in the ranks. For a long time he was sergeant major of the 1st Infantry. His commission as second lieutenant was granted him just previous to the annual encampment at Harpers Ferry last year.