

## **Guy E. Padgett**

### **( - 28 Apr 1903)**

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**Padgett.** Guy E. Padgett of 1839 North Capitol street, April 27, 1903 at 6:30 a.m. Funeral from residence, Friday, May 1 at 2:30 p.m. Interment Congressional cemetery. Members of fraternal organizations to which the deceased belonged are cordially invited to attend.

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#### **Suicides By Poison**

#### **Three Cases Reported in This City Today**

#### **Carbolic Acid Used**

#### **Two Men and One Woman End Their Own Lives**

#### **Judge Leonard H. Mangum, Guy E. Padgett and Mrs. Sadie Plummer**

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#### *Guy Padgett's Case a Mystery*

Guy E. Padgett was well known in labor and fraternal society circles. He was connected with the Maccabees and Odd Fellows, and attended a meeting of the latter organization last night. The cause of his rash act seems to be a mystery to his many friends. He had been despondent recently, but had given no reason for the change in his conduct. It is thought he returned home about midnight and went to his room. From there he went to the bathroom, where his wife found his dead body this morning about 7 o'clock. Hoping that her husband was not dead, she summoned Dr. Mazzi. He found that life had been extinct some little time, and informed the coroner.

In Padgett's sleeping room was the bottle that had contained carbolic acid and an after-dinner coffee cup, from which he had taken the poison. Coroner Nevitt concluded that he swallowed the fatal dose in this room and was afterward able to reach the bathroom and stretch his form upon the floor, where he waited for death to claim him.

The morning mail brought Mrs. Padgett a letter that her husband had mailed to her last night after leaving his lodge room. The note written by the despondent man to his wife, whom he had always called "Petie," reads:

"Good-bye, Petie. Forgive anything I have done wrong. Lovingly, GUY."

Enclosed in the letter was \$100 in cash. The postmark on the envelope showed that it was mailed at 11 o'clock last night. Padgett was thirty years old. Four years ago he married Miss Louise H. Treiber. They were married at 309 New Jersey avenue southeast. The funeral arrangements have not yet been made.

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#### **Funeral of Guy E. Padgett**

#### **Services Over Remains to Be Held Tomorrow Afternoon**

The funeral of Guy E. Padgett, whose death occurred Monday night, will be held tomorrow afternoon from the family residence, 1839 North Capitol street. The services will be conducted by Rev. John D. LaMothe and the Episcopal burial service will be used. Interment will be made in Congressional cemetery.

The honorary pallbearers will be F.A. Stier and W.O. Lyons for the Odd Fellows, D.W. Gall for the Maccabees, L. Latham for the Ben Hurs and Dr. W.A. Jackson for the Royal Arcanum. The active pallbearers will be Capt. D.V. Chisholm and John I. Brown of the Odd Fellows, Capt. J. Camden Gall, Henry E. Crouch, George Coldenstrup and Aaron Coleman of the Maccabees.

At 11th and East Capitol streets the funeral cortege will be joined by Canton Washington, No. 1, Patriarchs Militant, Uniform Rank of Odd Fellows, and Winfield Scott Schley Tent. No. 1, Uniform Ranks Knights of the Maccabees, and a general delegation of all the Maccabees of the city, who will form a guard of honor for the body to its last resting place.