Asbury N. Thompson

(-5 Jun 1903)

Thompson. Suddenly on Friday, June 5, 1903 at his residence, 715 9th street northwest, Asbury N. Thompson, beloved husband of Fannie E. Thompson. Interment private. Funeral service in charge of Potomac Post, No. 11, Grand Army of the Republic.

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Accidental Death

Asbury N. Thompson Suffocated by Illuminating Gas

Asbury N. Thompson died about 10:30 o'clock last night while being taken to the Homeopathic Hospital in the police ambulance from the effects of illuminating gas the man had inhaled while in his room at 715 9th street northwest. All the circumstances attending the affair indicated that Mr. Thompson had left the gas turned on accidentally, and the coroner quickly reached that conclusion. A certificate of accidental death was given and relatives took charge of the body for interment.

The deceased was about sixty years old and was a native of this city. He had been employed as a clerk in the War Department for about forty years, and was well known in official circles. Late yesterday afternoon he returned to his room, and about 10 o'clock others in the house detected the odor of gas and made an investigation. The ambulance was summoned and the dying man was removed to the hospital as stated. Upon reaching the hospital the doctors found that life was extinct and the body was ordered to be removed to the morgue.

The deceased leaves a widow and several grown children. His funeral will probably take place Monday.