

Thomas Kennedy

(- 22 Dec 1902)

Kennedy. On Monday, December 22, 1902, Thomas Kennedy. Funeral private from his late residence, 1234 I street southeast.

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Death of Thomas Kennedy

Coroner May Regard an Inquest to Be Necessary

A man whose body was identified as that of Thomas Kennedy of 1234 I street southeast died at the Washington Asylum Hospital about 4 o'clock this morning. He was picked up on the street by the police yesterday morning near 11th and M streets southeast in an unconscious condition and was taken to the hospital, where he died as stated. His body was removed to the morgue, where it was identified.

Deputy Coroner Glazebrook performed an autopsy on the body about noon and found that the man's death was due to a fracture of the skull and pneumonia. How this injury was received the police do not know. The man was found about 4 o'clock in the morning and the length of time he had been there is not known. When picked up his clothes were wet from the rain and his condition had been rendered worse by exposure.

Behind the dead man's left ear the surgeon found a bruise, which, it is inferred, had caused the fracture of the skull. Dr. Glazebrook said the blow which caused the fracture must necessarily have been a severe one. It is the opinion of the police that Kennedy fell upon the sidewalk while under the influence of liquor and thereby received the injury. Kennedy was an ex-marine, and the police say he was addicted to the use of intoxicants.

Coroner Nevitt viewed the body this afternoon and will decide upon the question of an inquest after the police have had an opportunity to make a further investigation of the affair.