

Mystery Unsolved.

Yesterday's Wave told as simply and as unseasonably as possible the story of the suicide, David E. George, as narrated to it by Mrs. Harper, the wife of the Methodist minister of this place. And while there are as yet no new developments or documentary evidence as to whether he was who he claimed himself to be, yet Mr. George B. Smith, of Colfax, Iowa, has furnished some facts of interest in the matter. Mr. Smith arrived last night to take charge of the remains of his friend and to look after his effects. He went to El Reno this morning to investigate the rumor that the deceased had property there, of which he says he knows absolutely nothing. He returns tonight or tomorrow, when arrangements for the funeral of the deceased will be made.

Mr. Smith's story, in brief, is that he first met George a year and a half ago in Iowa, and the acquaintance ripened into a close friendship, notwithstanding the disparity in their ages. Smith being a young man.

Mr. George held a life insurance policy in the New York Mutual Life Insurance Company for \$2500.00 and this he transferred to Smith and he has paid some \$150.00 to George. He also holds the last will and testament of the dead man, but has not yet opened the document. He also has George's written request that he administer the will, of which he is likely the beneficiary. Smith says he knows George had traveled extensively in the Holyland, Assyria, Europe and Africa. That he was a highly educated man and a Shakespearean scholar but knows nothing as to whether he was J. Wilkes Booth or not. However as soon as the obsequies are concluded, he will carefully go over the books, papers and clippings among the effects and they may disclose his identity.

Incidentally it may be said, George said that he at one time lived in Mississippi and that he had killed a man in Texas, but the last statement Smith does not believe.