

DIED AT HIS WORK.

It was 6:20 o'clock Friday evening when the information was passed from lip to lip that George Lunn was dead. George, who was electrician for the Electric Light Company, was engaged at that time in trimming the carbon on the street lamp at the corner of Broad St. and Fourth Ave., when he suddenly fell over and, after a few gasps, passed away. Dr. Green saw him fall and ran at once to his assistance. Others came to aid him. The man was carried into McConnell & Co.'s drug store and laid on the floor for examination by the physician, but life was already extinct. The first opinion was that he had received an electric current, owing to the nature of the work he was engaged in, and a coroner's inquest was set for the following day at 10 o'clock.

The jury summoned before Coroner Newman consisted of H. P. Proctor, J. E. Bayer and W. G. Ray. Among the witnesses were I. Alexander and Jud LaGrange, both of whom were at the electric light plant at the time. Both testified positively that no current was on the street circuit at the time, and that none had been on the circuit since morning, and that no other person had been in the plant from 6 o'clock to 6:30 p. m. Friday. Drs. Harris and Somers testified that no marks or burrs were found on the body indicating that death was caused by electricity. The jury thought it advisable to order an autopsy, which was conducted by Drs. Somers and Sherman, but it failed to indicate the cause of his death. The verdict of the jury was that Mr. Lunn came to his death from some cause which they were unable to ascertain from the autopsy or from the examination of witnesses.

The funeral services for the late Mr. George D. Lunn were held on Sunday afternoon, April 14, at 3 o'clock. The first part of the service was held in the Baptist church conducted by Rev. G. E. Morphy, who made an address from the words of scripture, "Be ye therefore ready also." He referred to the suddenness of Mr. Lunn's death, expressing also the universal sympathy felt by the community for the bereaved relatives and friends of the deceased. There were then suggested the conditions which ought to be fulfilled in order to be ready when the creator calls us. The members of I. O. O. F. No. 335 were present in a body, then marched to the grave where the services were concluded by the use of the ritual of the lodge.

George D., oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Lunn, was born near Wapello, DeWitt county, Illinois, May 18, 1862, and died in Grinnell, April 12, 1901, aged 33 years, 10 months and 24 days. When he was seven years of age his parents removed to Iowa. He lived at Linerville two years, in Tama county about seven years, in Chester township nine years and in Grinnell for the past fourteen years. On January 30, 1889, in Grinnell, he was married to Miss Mary McBlain who survives him. At about the age of seven years he professed conversion at the M. E. church in Chester township. He was a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows who followed his remains to their last resting place. Mr. Lunn was an honest, industrious, thrifty and conscientious citizen, honored and respected by all, especially by those who knew him best. His father, mother, brother, three sisters and wife mourn their loss. Respected as a man, honored as a friend, cherished as a son, and loved as a husband, his body is laid to rest and his soul entrusted to the savior.