OBITUARY

Local Man Takes Own Life

Despondent Over Long Illness, Walter McCracken, 52, Shoots Self

Despondent because of a long illness, Walter McCracken, fifty-two years old, committed suicide at the home of his mother, Mrs. Ida M. Kinsey, of Main Street. He stayed in his own room most of the time. He killed himself with a shot gun while lying in bed, using a toe to pull the trigger. He shot himself in the bottom of the heart.

Mr. McCracken has been living with his mother several weeks following a trip to Florida where he spent the winter. He had lived in New York most of his life however.

Besides his mother he is survived by a sister, Mrs. Mollie Geissler (sic) [Geisler] of New York and a brother, Raymond McCracken of Hackettstown.

The Independence Lodge, F. & A. M. had charge of the funeral which was at the home of his mother at 2 o'clock Tuesday afternoon. Interment was made in Union Cemetery.

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NAME: McCracken, Walter

DATE OF DEATH: June 29, 1930