

**Death of Ira J. Smith.**

Ira J. Smith, residing on First street, died yesterday afternoon about 4 o'clock from pneumonia and Bright's disease.

The death of Smith was under peculiarly distressing circumstances. The family, consisting of wife and three children, are left totally destitute and unprovided for. For some time before his death they had been provided for from the poor fund.

About three months ago the deceased left home and his whereabouts were unknown to his family until his return about ten days ago, sick and in a dying condition. When he left his family he left them penniless. While absent he spent the major portion of the time in Leadville, where he contracted pneumonia. He got his passage to this city on freight trains, thereby aggravating the disease with which he was suffering.

When Dr. Gould, county physician, was called to attend the deceased, he informed him at once that he had but a short time to live.

The deceased will be buried this afternoon from the undertaking rooms of H. O. Bucklin, county undertaker.

The mother and three fatherless children are deserving objects for the charitably inclined to expend a portion of a charity fund upon.

Ira J Smith



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