

ED E. DUNCAN, OF CRIPPLE CREEK.

The operation of vermiform appendix, performed upon Ed E. Duncan at St. Luke's hospital, resulted fatally Sunday morning. Mr. Duncan was returning from Cripple Creek, in the possession of excellent health and spirits, when he was taken suddenly ill at Denver. The operation was decided as the last and only resort.

Edward Elisha Duncan was one of the numerous family of that name residing in this city—a son of the late Elisha Duncan, was 33 years of age and brother of John, Robert and Guy D., all well known and highly esteemed citizens of this county. Deceased leaves a wife and an infant son in this place, residing on East Pine street.

The remains were taken to the old Duncan homestead, near Longmont, for interment in the family plot at the Longmont cemetery. He was a Knight of Pythias, but had taken out his card with the purpose of placing it in a Cripple Creek lodge.

The funeral will occur at 11 a. m. tomorrow.

Lou R. Johnston came over from Denver yesterday to visit his family and attend the funeral of his partner, Ed Duncan, whom he followed from Cripple Creek to Denver. On the 16th instant, Mr. Duncan left the Allen Gold Fields, where Bob and Ed Duncan and Lou R. Johnston own large mining interests and have laid out a townsite. Lou drove him to Florissant, five miles distant, and the trip of the man now dead was made for the purpose of purchasing mining machinery at Denver. A few days later Mr. Johnston was summoned to Ed's bedside, arriving at St. Luke's hospital last Saturday. They had parted in high spirits, by reason of the promising aspect of their affairs and had separated as brothers more than as business partners. The reunion of Ed Duncan with his partner and his brothers, two of whom were with him in his last moments, was touching in the extreme. To all of them, Ed said:

"I am ready. I have thought my life all over and I can't think, now that I am about to die, that I would change it very much, if at all."

Lou Johnston spoke of the deceased today in a tearful way and expressed the sentiment that never in his life had he been associated with a man with whom his relations had been more pleasant, more business-like, more brotherly. Others attest to the same feeling regarding this young man.