

[Rafter, David Alexander]

DAVID A. RAFTER FALLS DEAD

Well Known Flatbush Resident Stricken by Heart Failure
After Entertaining a Party of Friends

Death occurred suddenly last night to David Alexander Rafter, at his home, 30 Kenmore place, Flatbush, where he expired shortly after a company of friends he had been entertaining had departed. The cause of his death, it is thought, was heart disease. He was a well known resident of Flatbush and the news of his death will cause much surprise, for he was in apparently the best of health up to the time he expired. He was born in St. John, N. B., but was brought up in New York City, where he graduated from the old Fifth street public school in a class the men composing which are prominent in the affairs of to-day.

For thirty-five years he lived in the Eastern District. Previous to his death he had retired from the dry goods business, in which he had been successfully engaged for a number of years. He was a member of Ivy Lodge, Knights of Honor, and was also at one time affiliated with the Odd Fellows. He was an active member of the Universalist Church of the Divine Love, Flatbush, and had been active in its organization and establishment. The funeral services over his remains will be read at his late home at 8 o'clock to-morrow evening, when the Rev. E. L. Ward Brigham will officiate. The interment will take place Thursday in Greenwood. Mr. Rafter leaves a widow and a married daughter, Mrs. E. E. L. Patterson.

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