

Joseph Hiestand Kills Self While Cleaning Rifle.

Manitou was inexpressibly shocked on New Year's night with the news that Joseph Hiestand, proprietor of the Iron Springs Pavilion attractions and the Summit House on Pike's Peak, had killed himself while cleaning a rifle in his room at the Iron Springs hotel. The accident happened about 8:30 p. m., and the news spread as fast as news of such appalling nature always spreads. A Colt's revolver, which Mr. Hiestand had just finished cleaning lay on a table near him and he was seated on the floor, cleaning the gun, when it became accidentally discharged and the bullet passed clear thru the right side of his body and lodged in the wall back of him. By the time help reached him, summoned by the sound of the shot, he was dead.

Mr. Hiestand came to Manitou 35 years ago—very much out of health. He opened a curio store and was always enthusiastic student of mineralogy. His collection of stones is one of the most interesting and valuable of any known collection. Mr. Hiestand owned the Iron Springs of Manitou and his property here is valued at more than \$50,000. Of the thousands and thousands of dollars he has made in Manitou he has spent most of it improving his holdings and as a man whose loyal interests were always identical with Manitou's interests he will be sincerely missed from the community.

His three daughters, the Misses Estelle, Madeline and Genevieve Hiestand, were in the east at the time of his death. Miss Estelle Hiestand is a mission worker in New York city and her two younger sisters live with Mr. Hiestand's sister in Middletown, Pa. They were visiting in New York city when they received word of the death of their father and the youngest daughter, Miss Genevieve, will arrive in Manitou tomorrow, to attend her father's funeral. She will be the guest of Mrs. Harrison J. Holt.

Funeral services will be held from Beyle's chapel next Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock and will be conducted by the Rev. Seth C. Hawley, rector of St. Andrew's Episcopal church. Mr. Hiestand's body will be placed in the receiving vault in Evergreen cemetery temporarily.

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