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<b>Shipley, Elizabeth J.</b>	d. 30 Mar 1908	65 yrs.	<b>R129/232</b>
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Shipley. At the residence of her niece, Mrs. William F. Jacob, 432 Massachusetts avenue northwest, Miss Eliza Jane Shipley aged 65. Funeral from her late residence, Thursday at 2 o'clock. Friends invited (Cleveland and Massillon, Ohio papers please copy).

<b>Shipley, Ella C.</b>	d. 10 Jan 1886	19 yrs.	<b>R85/335</b>
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Shipley. On January 10, 1886, Ella C., beloved wife of W.H. Shipley, aged 19 years. Funeral to take place from her late residence, 13 Second street northeast, tomorrow at 2:30 p.m. Friends and relatives are respectfully invited to attend.

<b>Shipley, Enos A.</b>	d. 12 Dec 1890	36 yrs.	<b>R11/34</b>
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Shipley. On the morning of December 12, 1890, Enos A. Shipley, aged 36 years. Relatives and friends respectfully invited to attend his funeral from his late residence, 528 11th street southeast, Sunday, the 14th inst. at 2:30 o'clock p.m.

<b>Shipley, Mary Ann</b>	d. 14 Jun 1920		<b>R61/223</b>
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Shipley. Monday, June 14, 1920 at 6:30 p.m. at her residence, 534 11th street southeast, Mary A., widow of the late Enos A. Shipley. Funeral Wednesday at 3 p.m. from her late residence. Interment private.

<b>Shipley, Mary Lizzie</b>	d. 9 Feb 1911	33 yrs.	<b>R30/239</b>
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Shipley. Suddenly on Thursday February 9, 1911 at 12:20 a.m., Mary Lizzie, the beloved daughter of John and Elizabeth Engel in the 34th year of her age.  
 Many sad things in this world of ours  
 But the saddest of all is to part  
 For the tongue cannot tell when it utters farewell  
 Of the sadness it leaves in the heart.  
 By Her Mother  
 Funeral Sunday February 12 at 3 p.m. from parents residence, 323 M street southwest.

*The Evening Star, February 9, 1911, p. 4*

*Slayer Kills Self*

*Samuel Shipley Commits Suicide After Shooting Wife*

*Child the Only Witness*

*Fourteen-Year-Old Boy Unable to Prevent Tragedy*

*Couple Had Lived Apart*

*Husband and Father Drunk and Had Been Arrested on Non-Support Charge*

Following a quarrel with his wife, from whom he had been separated for several years, Samuel Shipley, a boilermaker, fatally shot her last night and then fired a bullet into his head, dying almost instantly. The tragedy occurred at 11:30 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Shipley, who with her four children lived at 514 9th street southeast.

William Shipley, the fourteen-year-old son of the couple, witnessed part of the tragedy, but was unable to prevent the double killing. The boy let his father into the house about two hours before the shooting occurred. Shipley used his revolver shortly after his wife returned home.

*Coroner's Inquest Held*

A verdict of suicide and murder was reached by a corner's jury at the morgue today.

William Shipley, the son, was the most important witness at the inquest.

The boy said his father was asleep when his mother returned home. His mother, he said, scolded him because he had let his father in.

"When she woke him up," the boy said, "he looked at her hard."

Witness was sent upstairs. He heard his parents engaged in a quarrel, his father making use of an oath.

"When I heard the shots," he said, "I started down the steps and fell. My father went in the other room and shot himself."

"Was your father a drinking man?"

"He used to drink a good deal."

"Was he intoxicated when he called at the house last night?"

"He was not real full."

Dr. Charles S. White, deputy coroner, described the wounds received by the husband and wife, and Dr. O.J. Posey told of the death of the woman at the Casualty Hospital.

Policeman Wise told the jury that he had been Shipley in the police station several times. On one occasion, he said, Shipley was locked up for alleged non-support, and on another occasion he was charged with drunkenness. Witness saw him Monday night and he appeared as if he had been drinking.

It is probable that the body of the woman will be interred in Congressional cemetery, while the body of the husband will probably find a resting place in Glenwood cemetery.

#### *Had Been in Panama*

Shipley, who was a boilermaker and expert mechanic, had been separated from his wife for more than a year and had been before the Juvenile Court for alleged failure to support his family. He recently returned from Panama, where he went to work on the canal. He was permitted to go away because of a promise he made Judge DeLacy that he would send part of his earnings to his wife and children.

When he returned to Washington he displayed a desire to see and return to his family. His conduct, however, was not such as to induce Mrs. Shipley to believe she would receive better treatment from him than she had received before he deserted her and went to Panama. It is said she had not the slightest idea of being a party to a reconciliation. In addition to his other faults, it is stated, Shipley had been indulging in strong drink and his wife feared he would harm her.

#### *Whistled for His Son*

Mrs. Shipley was way from home last night when her husband called. His efforts to bring one of the children to the front door to answer the bell proved futile, and the man, under the influence of liquor, with a loaded revolver in his pocket, went to the rear of the house. Climbing the back fence, Shipley came to the rear door and whistled, as he had done in his happier days when he wanted to attract the attention of his children.

His son, William recognized the whistle and went to the lower floor to ascertain what his father wanted, not stopping to dress himself.

"I'm wet and cold," said the father in response to the child's inquiry, "and I want to come in to get dry and warm."

His plea induced the boy to open the door and admit him to the house. A short conversation was engaged in by father and son and the latter returned to his bed in a room on the second floor. When he reached his room he recalled that he had been told not to admit his father to the house, and he felt uneasy. Finally he got up and went downstairs, accompanied by Villa, this nine-year-old sister. The children remained there only a few minutes, returning to the upper floor and retiring shortly before the return of their mother. When Mrs. Shipley reached the house she was surprised to find her husband there. He was lying on the couch in the back room, not having given any thought to a hat his wife had left on the couch when she left the house earlier in the night.

#### *Not Bothered About Hat*

Mrs. Shipley was not pleased to find her husband in the house, and she soon called him to account for having ruined her hat. The intruder was not bothered about that, he said.

With little, if any warning, the boilermaker drew his weapon from his pocket and fired at his wife. Before Mrs. Shipley had fallen to the floor, the son, who had admitted his father to the house, rushed into the room. He saw his other fall to the floor, he told the police last night and he also saw his father commit suicide.

William and the other children screamed with fright. It was but a few seconds before a number of neighbors reached the house. They found the body of Mrs. Shipley stretched upon the floor of the parlor, while in a rear room was the lifeless body of the husband. Ms. Shipley was dying. Policemen from the fifth precinct soon reached the house and took charge of the premises. They sent the wounded woman to the Casualty Hospital. Coroner Nevitt directed that the body of the man be taken to the morgue.

#### *Unable to Find Letter*

Shortly after reaching the 9th street house the assistant morgue master learned that the woman had died, and he went to the hospital, taking both bodies to the morgue. While the assistant morgue master was at the

house making an investigation he was told by the boy that his father had written a letter while waiting for the return of the wife and mother, but no trace of a letter was found.

"I saw papa write the letter," declared the frightened child, "but I don't know where he put it."

The police had a bright light in almost every room and the boy requested that some of them be lowered.

"If you burn so much gas the bill will be so big that we will not be able to pay it." the child exclaimed, not knowing his mother was dead.

Shipley kissed William and his sister farewell just before the latter went upstairs, telling them they would not see him again. He also said something about their mother being taken care of.

When the assistant morgue master reached the morgue with the bodies of the victims of the double tragedy he made a careful search of the pockets in the man's clothing, but found no trace of the letter his son said he had written. He did find a photograph of Mrs. Shipley, a government employment certificate, membership card in Boilermakers' Union No. 459, and 5 cents in cash in his pockets.

Four children survive the dead couple. They are William, fourteen years old; Ethel, eleven years old; Villa, nine years old, and Alfred, seven years old. Thomas Engel, residing at 323 M street southwest is the father of the slain woman, while Samuel Shipley, father of the man who used the revolver, lives at 1741 8th street northwest. It is probable the grandparents will take care of the orphan children.

<b>Shipley, Sarah J.</b>	d. 26 Dec 1880	26 yrs.	<b>R14/198</b>
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*The Evening Star, December 27, 1880*

*A Terrible Christmas Tragedy*

*A Woman Fatally Shot by Some One Unknown*

*Before Her Death She Gives Birth to a Child*

About 1 o'clock Christmas day, as Mrs. Jane Shiply, living at No. 222 4 1/2 street southwest, was in the act of going out of a backdoor of her house into the yard she was shot by some unknown person from the direction of Willow Tree alley, the ball, a large size one, entering the abdomen and passing nearly through her body. Drs. Hammett and Fenwick were called in and succeeded in extracting the ball, but the injury proved fatal. The unexpected shot was of course a great shock to Mrs. Shiply, and she was delivered of a son--her third child--five hours after the shooting. Inflammation then set in from the wound and she lingered in great distress until last night when death relieved her of her sufferings. She was the wife of Mr. Thomas Shiply, a blacksmith, doing business on C between 4 1/2 and 6th streets northwest, and was 26 years old. The oldest child is five years of age. No clue has been discovered as to who fired the fatal shot, but Lieut. Gessford's officers think they will discover who it was. The occurrence has caused considerable excitement in that neighborhood, the belief being that it was the careless use of fire arms by some of the colored people in a rear alley.

**An Arrest**

Edward Lucas, a colored man, was arrested this morning by Officer McGreeay, of the first precinct, charged with the shooting. His friends claim that he was shooting, with a revolver, at some sparrows on a shed, and that the shooting of the woman was entirely accidental. They will have a chance to explain the firing of such a strange missile at birds before the coroner's jury. The inquest will be held tomorrow.

Lucas had a fight that morning with a colored man next door to his house, named Smith, in which Smith got the best of it, and Lucas went and got a pistol and shot once into his yard and after awhile shot again, when Mr. Shiply ran around the corner and said, "O, my God; who killed my wife?" Lucas, who was then looking out the window replied, "I don't know; there has been shooting going on all the morning about here."

*The Evening Star, December 28, 1880*

*Shooting of Mrs. Shipley*

*Coroner's Inquest Today*

Coroner Patterson held an inquest, at twelve o'clock today on the body of Mrs. S. Jane Shipley, who died yesterday morning about 6 o'clock from the affects of a pistol shot in the abdomen, received on Christmas day while in the act of stepping out of the rear door of her house, No. 222 4 1/2 street southwest.

Lieutenant Gessford this morning summoned the jurymen, who just before 12 o'clock repaired to the house and viewed the remains, after which they went to the first precinct station house on B street near 4 1/2 street, and listened to the testimony.

The jurymen were as follows: Jos. A. Burch, George W. Smithson, F.D. Dowling, W.A. Barnes, John Morse, John Imrie, J.E.F. Carlin, James F. Dawson, Wm. N. Croggon, Wm. C. Harvey, J.N. Rudd and John Wise, with Mr. Carlin as foreman.

#### *The Bereaved Husband's Testimony*

The first witness called was Mr. Theodore Shipley, husband of the deceased. He testified that at the time of the accident he was dressing himself for dinner his wife being engaged in cooking the Christmas turkey and remarked that she would go out and get some wood to increase the fire, so that the turkey would get done. Just as she went out of the door she screamed out "O, my God, I am shot," at the same time holding her hands on her stomach. She fell into his arms (Here the witness broke down and could hardly proceed for the choking in his throat.) He laid his wife down and ran out in the direction the report came from and inquired who it was that shot. There had been considerable firing that day of fire-crackers. Every one denied having seen any one shoot.; This colored man was the first one he saw looking out of the window, and witness asked him who had shot into his house. He replied that he did not know, but the shooting had been done on the other side. His next door neighbor's house had been shot into that day from the same direction.

#### *A Witness Who Made A Narrow Escape*

Mr. Phillip Colbath testified that he lived at 220 4 1/2 street, next house north of Mr. Shipley's. He testified that he got up about 9 o'clock, and went into his yard, when he heard a pistol shot, and a ball struck his kitchen door close by him. At 12 o'clock going out to get a bucket of water he heard another shot and a scream in Mr. Shipley's yard. Mr. Shipley at once called out to witness "Somebody has shot my wife," and at the same time he heard some one say "there has been shooting about here all day." Mr. Shipley at once ran to the rear of his lot, and witness saw the man in the window put his hand behind him as if putting away something.

#### *A Colored Witness*

Robert James, a colored man testified that he lives in Willow Tree alley. He and Ed. Lucas had had some words in the morning in his alley, and afterward he (witness) went to his home. He afterwards met Lucas at the corner of C street and Willow Tree alley, and they had some more words together, Lucas asking witness what he had hit him for. Witness replied, "Because you hit me with a stool on Friday night." He then warned witness to watch him (Lucas); afterwards witness then went up the alley again Lucas preceding him. Lucas stopped at the pump and said he had to go down to the Island and went out at C street while witness went into Mrs. Coaths house back of Mr. Shipleys. Witness sat down about half an hour there and on opening the door he saw Lucas coming to the alley and he stood in the alley about fifteen minutes, while witness remained in the house. Witness noticed that Lucas either moved out of the alley or went into the backyard. Witness then went to his own house, next door to Mrs. Coats. After he had been in his room about 15 minutes he heard the report of a pistol sounding at the next door. Witness started to look out of his window, when Emma Smith, who was in the room, warned him that it was a sham of Lucas' to get him out so that he could shoot him (Witness). He then sat down. He then heard some one else shooting in the alley and soon another shot was heard when Mr. Shipley came into the alley and charged Lucas with shooting his wife. Lucas denied it, Mr. Shipley insisting that he did it. Witness heard the shot and saw the smoke pass by the window. At this time quite an alarm was raised and a man named Scott said, "Don't give it away." Witness gave the names of several colored men who were in the alley at the time.

#### *Dr. Hammett Describes the Wound*

Dr. Hammett testified that he was summoned about 1 o'clock. When he arrived he found Mrs. Shipley in the dining room lying in great pain on the floor near the door where she was shot. On examination, found a wound in the right side. Dr. Fenwick soon arrived and they found that the ball had lodged in the left side near the hip near the skin; the entrance of the ball was above its exit some two inches. The wound was the cause of her death.

Dr. G.P. Fenwick corroborated the statement of Dr. Hammett. He was present at the delivery of the child, about six hours after she was shot.

Charles Jackson and Emma Smith, both colored, testified but threw no new light on the shooting.

#### *Getting To It*

Wm. Lucas, a small boy, the twelve year old son of the arrested man, said all he knew was that his mother said that his father had shot a woman. She told him that when he came home from play.

Julia Lucas, wife of defendant, testified that all she knew was that she was in the street when she heard a loud report, and starting home she heard someone say that a white woman was shot. Witness found this pistol Christmas near Shea's. She didn't know what thus she found it, as she was drunk.

Mrs. Ella Whitlow, who lives at 342 B street southwest, corroborated the former witness.

*Lucas Says He Is Innocent*

The defendant Lucas here asked to be heard, and said there had been shooting all the morning, and it was actually dangerous to be out on the street. He denied firing the shot or of having a pistol in his possession. He was innocent of the charge.

Lucas is about 35 years old, quite black, and has a sullen, bad look.

*The Verdict*

The jury gave a verdict that they believe that death was caused by a pistol shot from a pistol in the hands of Ed. Lucas. Lucas was committed by the coroner for the action of the grand jury.

**Shipley, William S.** d. 5 Aug 1944 **R30/237**

Shipley, William S. On Saturday August 5, 1944, William S. Shipley, beloved son of the late Samuel T. and Mary L. Shipley and brother of Mrs. Ethel C. Nash Mrs. Vella Hibs and Alfred J. Shipley. Funeral from the residence of his sister, Mrs. Ethel C. Nash 1108 4th street southwest on Tuesday August 8 at 2 p.m. Relatives and friends invited. Interment Congressional Cemetery.

**Shipley, William Theodore** d. 7 May 1960 75 yrs. **R62/224**

Shipley, William Theodore. On Saturday, May 7, 1960, William Theodore Shipley beloved father of Margaret Allwine and brother of Mary Bilsborough and Elizabeth Shipley White. Funeral from the Walter W. Deal Funeral Home, 4812 Georgia avenue northwest on Tuesday, May 10 at 2 p.m. Interment Congressional Cemetery.

*The Evening Star, May 9, 1960, p. B-9*

*William Shipley, Ex-Store Guard*

*William Theodore Shipley Ex-Store Guard*

William Theodore Shipley, 75, a retired guard for Kann's Department Store, died Saturday at his Herndon (Va.) summer home of a heart condition.

A native and life-long resident of the District, Mr. Shipley had attended public schools here.

He had worked as a guard for the Government and then, in 1933, went to work for Kann's as a guard. He remained there in that capacity until his retirement in 1955. He lived at 5235 Kansas avenue N.W.

He leaves a daughter, Mrs. Margaret Allwine of 510 North Monroe street, Arlington, and two sisters, Mrs. Mary Bilsborough of the home address and Mrs. Elizabeth White of 9902 Markham street, Silver Spring.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. tomorrow at the Deal Funeral Home, 4812 Georgia avenue N.W. Burial will be in Congressional Cemetery.