

Known Picture of Arthur B. Suit © 2017 Chris Dunmore, AncHunter65@gmail.com

Cabinet Card; mounted on card 4 ¹/₄ x 6 ¹/₂; appeared 1866, most popular 1875-1900; waned 1901-03; Medium size back imprint (less than half the back) 1866-1890; Borders none 1866-1900; Card Edges plain 1866-1890

Front:

No identifying marks on the front Man looking to be in his perhaps 40's One Star upper left; A moon and stars in upper right Two girls in a circle with a ribbon with two points in upper right and lower left, WJ in a Star in lower left, Jordan Photographer to the right of the Star 1227 PA Ave Washington DC, lower right

Back:

Received the photo from Joyce Hill (1927-) in 1999

Believe: Arthur Bingham Suit (1861-1919) Lived in NY, MD and Washington, DC:

Jordan Photographer:

Evening Star, 31 Oct 1885 Pg 8: "The Suicide of W. K. Jordan. Yesterday afternoon about 8 o'clock, W.K. Jordan, a photographer doing business at 1227 PA avenue, committed suicide, as stated in The Stab, in East Washington. He resided at 325 11th St SE. For some time he had been showing signs of aberration of mind. On Thursday afternoon he left home, taking with him some letters. A friend followed him to the post office, where he discovered that Jordan had mailed a letter addressed to his wife. The delivery of the letter was hastened by putting a special delivery stamp upon it. This letter informed Mrs. Jordan that the writer's intensions were to go to Georgetown and Jump off the Acqueductbridge (sic). About midnight, however, he returned to his home. Messrs. O. H. Goldsmith & E. Y. Davidson yesterday afternoon took him to the insane asylum in a cab, 'but as they did not have the proper papers for admitting Jordan they left for the purpose "of obtaining the same. On their way home, when on 11th St, near G SW, Jordan was seen to put his hand in his pocket, but it was thought that it was only to draw out his handkerchief. To the surprise of his guardians Jordan produced a pistol, quickly placed it at his right temple and fired. His friends sprang to catch his hand, but they were too late to prevent the fatal shot. The cab drove to Bury's drug store, 412 8th St SE and medical aid was

secured. Life was only of short duration. The wounded man was removed to Providence hospital, where he died about four o'clock. Jordan bad (sic) been a resident of this city for about 17 years. The coroner deemed an Inquest unnecessary and gave a certificate of death from suicide." The Washington Post, 31 Oct 1885 Pg 1 (AA Co Publ Liby Pro Quest): "Photographer Jordan Shoots Himself in the Head"

Estimate 1890 Suit, Wide lapel, tie?