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1. PLACE OF DEATH

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7. AGE

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HUSBAND OF

(OR) WIFE OF

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ent of Occupation .- Precise statement of is very important, so that the relative s of various pursuits can be known. The plies to each and every person, irrespec-For many occupations a single word or first line will be sufficient, e.g., Farmer or ysician, Compositor, Architect, Locomor. Civil Engineer, Stationary Fireman, etc. ly cases, especially in industrial employnecessary to know (a) the kind of work the nature of the business or industry, re an additional line is provided for the nent; it should be used only when needed. s: (a) Spinner. (b) Cotton mill: (a) Salesoccry; (a) Foreman, (b) Automobile facnaterial worked on may form part of the ement. Never return "Laborer," "Foremager," "Dealer," etc., without more diffication, as Day laborer, Farm laborer. val mine, etc. Women at home, who are the duties of the household only (not paid s who receive a definite salary), may be Housewife, Housework or At home, and t gainfully employed, as At school or At 3 should be taken to report specifically tions of persons engaged in domestic wages, as Servant, Cook, Housemaid, etc. pation has been changed or given up on the disease causing death, state occu-

pation at beginning of illness. If retired from business, that fact may be indicated thus: Farmer (retired, 6 yrs.) For persons who have no occupation whatever, write None.

Statement of Cause of Death.—Name, first, the disease causing death (the primary affection with respect to time and causation), using always the same accepted term for the same disease. Examples: Cerebrospinal fever (the only definite synonym is "Epidemic cerebrospinal meningitis"); Diphtheria (avoid use of "Croup"); Typhoid fever (never report

"Typhoid pneumonia"); Lobar pneumonia; Bronchopneumonia ("Pneumonia," unqualified, is indefinite): Tuberculosis of lungs, meninges, peritoneum, etc., Carcinoma, Sarcoma, etc., of (name origin: "Cancer" is less definite: avoid use of "Tumor" for malignant neoplasma); Measles, Whooping cough; Chronic valvular heart disease: Chronic interstitial nephritis, etc. The contributory (secondary or intercurrent) affection need not be stated unless important. Example: Measles (disease causing death). 29 ds.; Bronchopneumonia (secondary), 10 ds. Never report mere symptoms or terminal conditions. such as "Asthenia," "Anemia" (merely symptomatie), "Atrophy," "Collapse," "Coma," "Convulsions," "Debility" ("Congenital," "Senile," etc.), "Dropsy," "Exhaustion," "Heart failure," "Hemorrhage," "Inanition," "Marasmus," "Old age," "Shock," "Uremia," "Weakness," etc., when a definite disease can be ascertained as the cause. Always qualify all diseases resulting from childbirth or miscarriage, as "Puerperal septicemia," State cause for "PUERPERAL peritonitis," etc. which surgical operation was undertaken. VIOLENT DEATHS state MEANS OF INJURY and qualify as accidental, suicidal, or homicidal, or as probably such, if impossible to determine definitely. Accidental drowning; struck by rail-Examples: way train-accident; Revolver wound of headhomicide; Poisoned by carbolic acid-probably suicide. The nature of the injury, as fracture of skull, and consequences (e. g., sepsis, tetanus), may be stated under the head of "Contributory." (Recommendations on statement of cause of death approved by Committee on Nomenclature of the American Medical Association.)

Note.—Individual offices may add to above list of undesirable terms and refuse to accept certificates containing them. Thus the form in use in New York City states: "Certificates will be returned for additional information which give any of the following diseases, without explanation, as the sole cause of death: Abortion, cellulitis, childbirth, convulsions, hemorrhage, gangrene, gastritis, erysipelas, meningitis, miscarriage, necrosis, peritonitis, phlebitis, pyemia, septicemia, tetantus." But general adoption of the minimum list suggested will work vast improvement, and its scope can be extended at a later date.

Additional space for further statements by physician.