

Accidentally Shot.

A sad accident occurred early Tuesday morning on L. K. Myers' farm, 9 miles northwest of Hope. About 7 o'clock James T. Saunders, better known as "Jim," was found dead in the granary and a discharged revolver by his side.

From R. C. McClellan, his brother-in-law, who lives on the farm, and Wm. Saunders, a brother, we learn the following facts:

Mr. Saunders was assisting Mr. McClellan in the harvest field and arose early Tuesday morning as usual, and assisted in doing the chores. After breakfast, it being too wet to go into the field, he went into the granary, some distance from the house, where the men sleep during the summer months, and that was the last time he was seen alive.

When it was time to go to work he was not around, so Mr. McClellan went to the granary and was terribly shocked to find Mr. Saunders lying upon his back, dead; an ugly wound in the forehead and a revolver near by.

Coroner Baker was immediately summoned and it was decided he met death by the accidental discharge of his revolver. An inquest was not deemed necessary. The supposition is that while removing his coat from his trunk, the revolver may have dropped from the pocket, or the hammer may have caught in some way. The exact facts may never be known.

James T. Saunders was about 26 years of age, financially well to do, and a hard working man. He has a host of friends who mourn his departure.

The funeral was held at the house yesterday at 10 o'clock and the remains buried in the Hope cemetery.