

It is reported that Wilhelm Watne, who went to China a year ago last September met his death at the hands of the Chinese rebels in the recent massacres. His name was not among those killed as given in any daily paper that we have read. We are informed that his parents here have received a telegram stating that he had been killed. Mr. Watne went out as a teacher to China a little over a year ago under the auspices of a Skandinavian missionary society and was to have remained there for a term of five years. He was a devoted Christian young man and believed he could be of service to the benighted people over that far away land and his devotion to the cause of christianity has cost him his life. Wilhelm was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Tonnes Watne, of this county. He graduated from our high school two years ago and as a young man of many excellent qualifications. He had the idea that he could do good among the heathen in foreign lands for a long time and finally decided to go and the going was a heavy blow to the family who that autumn day bid farewell to that loved one who was leaving home and country that he might consecrate his life to the uplifting of others. The news of his untimely death in such a manner is indeed a hard blow to his parents and other relatives and his many friends in the city and county are saddened at his passing away. To those who mourn for this faithful young man we most sincerely offer our sympathy.