

Close Call From Death

SOO CONDUCTOR INJURED AT THIS
POINT—NARROWLY ESCAPES
BEING CUT IN TWO

H. L. Larson, one of the well known Soo conductors, met with an accident at this place Monday evening, which without quick thinking would have resulted in a horrible death. Mr. Larson was on a special freight which stopped here to do some switching.

The accident was a peculiar one and happened on the crossing in the western part of town. He was standing on the crossing signaling the train which was coming toward him on the siding, and in stepping out of the way his foot caught between the rail and a plank in the crossing, and it was impossible for him to pull his foot out, he realizing that death was staring him in the face. It seemed as though luck was with him, for as the car hit him he caught hold of it and hung on while the force of the car pulled him from what without presence of mind would have meant death, by being cut in two. As it was he suffered great pain, his foot being twisted just below the ankle. It was impossible for the doctor to determine whether any of the bones were broken.

He was put on the early morning flyer and taken to his home in Enderlin, where an x-ray examination was made. Dr. Shepard accompanied him as far as Valley City and states that he was suffering great pain at that time, but he anticipated that nothing serious would be the outcome.