

SHOCKING AND FATAL ACCIDENT.

—On Friday afternoon last, a frightful accident occurred in this city. Mr. K. G. Wood, residing about two and a-half miles west of town, had hauled to the City Hotel some timbers, preparatory to the erection of a swing for the amusement and exercise of the guests of that popular house. Andrew Hays, a son of Mr. Joseph Hays, a near neighbor of Mr. Wood, aged 16 years, was assisting the latter to unload. The butt of one of the timbers, which was of green white oak, about 8 inches in diameter and 24 feet long, had been placed on the ground, while the smaller end rested upon the hind wheel of the wagon. Young Hays rolled it over the wheel, and as he did so, it must have caught in his clothing by a knot and carried him over with it, the rotary motion of the timber bringing him underneath it as both struck together. The neck of the poor youth was broken, causing almost instant death, he only struggling once or twice. Intelligence was immediately communicated to the aged parents, who with a large circle of relatives, were of course almost crushed and saddened by the unexpected bereavement. The funeral took place on Saturday, the services being conducted by the venerable Rev. Mr. Wood of the Baptist Church.