

PECULIAR ACCIDENT.

N. C. Anderson, of Romness, Loses Life. ✓

Probably one of the most peculiar and fatal accidents that has come to our notice is the one whereby N. C. Anderson, of Romness, lost his life. He went down to the river last Wednesday for a load of wood and did not reach home until Thursday morning a little after six and wounded unto death. He had started to return home on Wednesday evening about 5 p. m. and when about three-quarters of a mile from home, coming up the hills, a piece of lumber on the load slipped, his ax was dislodged and came around with a swing struck the unfortunate man across the forehead. The ax was very sharp and the wound was a very ugly one and exposed the brain. Anderson, according to all indications, leaned against his wagon for a time, probably partly unconscious, and then recovering himself unhitched his team and started for home. Pools of blood were found in a circle not far from the wagon which indicates that he had gone round and round and was unable to get home. He wandered around all night and reached home a little after six the following morning in a dazed and dying condition. The poor man must have had a terrible time and suffered considerably. He lived until about 7 o'clock Friday morning passing away quietly and peacefully. He leaves a family and several children. He was buried in the Romness cemetery Saturday. Coroner Bergstrom did not consider an inquest necessary at that time, as Anderson came too after he reached home and said that it was an accident. On account of some insurance that he carried it was necessary for official action to be taken to get it, and Coroner Bergstrom went out Tuesday and held an inquisition Mrs. Anderson, Oscar Anderson and Martin Skramstad being sworn and examined and testified to the facts as stated above. The stricken family have the sympathy of many friends.