

A FATAL ACCIDENT

While Some Cooperstown Boys Are Out Hunting One Accidentally Shoots Another
—Victim Dies Soon After.

Last Saturday, while Victor Melgard, Johnnie Syverson and two other boys ranging in age from twelve to about fourteen years of age, all of whom lived at Cooperstown, were out for a hunt, a very sad accident occurred. The boys were riding in a double-seated buggy and the Melgard boy was seated in the front seat, while Syverson was in the back seat. The rifles were all loaded and Syverson was in the act of moving his rifle when it was accidentally discharged, the bullet entering Melgard's brain. The other boys were nearly crazed over this horrible occurrence, but they telephoned back to town for assistance, which speedily arrived and the wounded boy was taken at once to Dr. Brimi's office, where an effort was made to save his life, but without avail, for death claimed its victim in spite of medical skill and the assistance rendered by loving friends. The accident occurred at about three o'clock in the afternoon and death ensued about an hour later. Johnnie Syverson is heart-broken, while Mr. and Mrs. Syverson are shocked beyond expression over the extremely sad and most unfortunate calamity. Mr. and Mrs. Melgard and family are deserving of unusual sympathy as a result of this untimely end of their beloved son and brother, and the Times joins other friends in Binford and elsewhere in offering the bereaved family words of condolence and heartfelt sympathy in this their time of great affliction.

The funeral was held from the Norwegian Lutheran church, Tuesday afternoon.