

such a severe misfortune.

Frank Hicks departed Saturday night for Lakota, where he joined Hal Knapp and the two started for Williams County to look up some homestead land. We don't know what Frank will do without Blanford along with him for it is hard for him to keep away from us when he is here. The worst part of the whole deal is that he took his wild broncho "Pinto" along with him, and stated that he figured on leaving him out there if he could find any body that wanted a fine saddle horse. Mr. Hicks will return in about two weeks.

No town will become a good busi-