

INSTANTLY KILLED

Most Untimely Death Met by a Former Resident of this Place

The numerous friends here will be pained to hear that Rev. J. W. Kingston, formerly pastor at the Presbyterian church at this point, was instantly killed on October 15, which is explained in the following letter. Rev. Kingston was a valuable man for a community, always willing to help others at a moments call, and devoted a great deal of his time in consoling others in time of sorrow. He was an eloquent speaker, being sincere at all times and had the gift of holding his congregation to the last, no matter how lengthy his sermons were. It was sad, indeed, to hear of his untimely death, for such men are scarce in this world, and the manner in which he met his death makes grief stronger on those who are left behind, but we must face the hereafter at some distant day, and the way we are to be taken out of this world is not for us to say. The following letter explains the details of his death:

Dietrich, Idaho

Oct. 16, 1914

Wm. Moffitt,

Courtenay, N. D.,

Dear Sir:

It is my painful duty to inform you and the people of Courtenay that brother J. W. Kingston was instantly killed yesterday afternoon. He met his death in the fast revolving wheels of a threshing machine which was operating at his place. The feeder-belt came off and Mr. Kingston stepped upon the front wheel of the trucks to replace the belt when in some unaccountable manner he was caught and whirled to the ground. The right arm was torn off at the elbow, both jaws were broken, left leg broken in three places, and his back was broken in two places. Death was so instantaneous that the muscles of the body stirred not.

Services will be held Sunday, I think, and then the body will be shipped to Ohio for burial.

Yours in sorrow,

Helmer Wraalstad.