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F. E. Mintle.

Without having recovered consciousness since his accident on the morning of Sunday, July 9, F. E. Mintle died in the Methodist hospital in Des Moines, early Monday morning. The body was brought to Grinnell on the train at 12:50 o'clock vesterday afternoon. The funeral was held at 3:30 o'clock this afternoon from the home.

When The Herald went to press on Friday a gradual improvement was reported in Mr. Mintle's condition. It was thought that he might recover consciousness soon and the paralysis which had attended the fracture seemed to be disappearing. Later in the afternoon, however, he became worse rapidly and his condition showed no improvement up to the time of his death. A slow infection had developed from the severe concussion of the brain which he had sustained and could not be checked.

Two weeks ago last Sunday Mr. Mintle, in the prime of health and strength, attempted to swing on a train which was carrying his stock to Chicago. The train was moving too rapidly. He missed his hold with one hand, swung around behind the train and was dashed to the ground with great force, his head striking a rail of the track. Since then he has lain unconscious. An operation relieved the pressure of the fractured skull on the brain, but the torn brain tissues could not be healed.

Anxious friends had followed the news of Mr. Mintle's condition ever since his accident with the hope-that ultimately his life might be spared. and news of his death was received with deep sorrow, for Mr. Mintle was widely known and widely liked and as councilman from the Fourth ward held a position of influence in the city.