

WOODRUFF ALLEN LOSSES HAND

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CAUGHT ACCIDENTLY BY CIRCULAR SAW, AND MEMBER INSTANTLY SEVERED. LOOSES MUCH BLOOD.

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A serious accident befell Woodruff Allen of Circleville, who was working at the Ashdown sawmill for the Lumber and Commission Company, whereby he had his right hand instantly severed.

From information gleaned it appears that the young man was handling some edgings when his shirt sleeve was caught by the rapidly revolving saw and his hand drawn toward it with the result that it was cut off before he could make a move to avoid contact.

The hand was cut cleanly off with the exception of a very small piece of skin which was severed by a man named Wilcox who was working with Mr. Allen. Mr. Wilcox took a buckskin string and tied it tightly just above the cut to stop the flow of blood, then hastily placed the injured man on a wagon and conveyed him as fast as possible to the top of Moot's Hollow, where he was transferred to the truck belonging to Arthur Jones, and was then rushed as far as the bridge at the mouth of the gulch when he was again transferred to another vehicle, an auto, and brought to the right hand canyon where he was met by Dr. Bergstrom who brought the suffering man to the hospital and gave surgical aid.

Frank Jackson, another employee at the saw mill, came to town for help, making the trip from the mill to the city on horseback in an hour, the distance being about 15 miles.

The injured man at this writing is doing nicely, and although weak from loss of blood is gaining strength rapidly.

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