

SERIOUS AND STRANGE INJURY

Billy Patten Victim of Peculiar Accident on Nolan Jessup Farm Wednesday Evening.

Billy Patten, son of Dr. V. Patten, of Morristown was the victim of a peculiar accident which occurred on the farm of Nolan Jessup Wednesday evening about 7:30 o'clock, which no one is able to explain.

About the hour above mentioned Mr. Jessup and the lad went to the barn to finish up their evening's work. Upon turning the horses to the pasture for the night, the lad went to the pasture to drive up the cows for milking and had been gone only a short time when he was discovered by Mrs. Jessup leaning against the wire fence, and upon calling to him as to what was wrong received no reply. Further investigation by Mrs. Jessup found the lad in an unconscious condition with a gash beneath his chin and a long gash cut from his forehead through the center of the scalp ranging down side of head to the right ear and a black welt across his throat and was at the time found out of breath and in a choking condition. The boy's father was called immediately, rendering first aid to the injured boy and later removing him to his home at Morristown, where he did not regain consciousness until some time near morning Thursday.

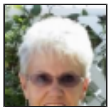
It is the supposition that he was kicked by a horse. However, no one saw the accident and the boy is unable to remember what happened to him.

A report from him Thursday evening was that he was better and hopes were entertained that no serious results will ensue from the accident.

This accident is the third one to occur in the vicinity of Westland and Western Grove within the past two weeks—that of Frank Bools, who was injured in a gravel pit cave-in which resulted in his death, and Rufus Kimbie, who sustained a fractured collar bone when his team ran away the fore part of this week.

Bill Patten, age 12, seriously injured. Morristown, IN, June 1922.

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