

[Thumb, Adam]

Deaths.

In Cicero, Oct. 1, Mr. ADAM THUMB, (formerly of Mottville), aged about 50. Mr. Thumb met his death in the following manner. He was engaged in drawing logs which were suspended by means of a lever, in the usual way under an axle-tree. By some jar of the carriage or by some other means, the long end of the lever became unfastened, and flying over with immense swiftness and power, struck Mr. T., who was sitting upon the tongue of the cart, upon the head, crushing his skull and producing instant insensibility, though not instant death. The accident occurred, it is supposed, some two hours before its discovery. When found, Mr. T. was breathing his last. To say that Mr. Thumb was a good husband, father, neighbor, citizen, christian, is but saying what those who have known him best and longest do most emphatically affirm. For years he had been one of the firmest and most active friends of the Universalist Society in Mottville, doing all for it that his means allowed, and often more than they justified. His loss is deeply deplored not only by his family and immediate friends, but by all who knew his modesty and unobtrusive worth. A large audience therefore testified their respect for him, and their sympathy for his afflicted companion and children by their presence at his funeral, which was attended at the church in Mottville, where he had been accustomed to worship, and at which a sermon was delivered from 1st. Cor. xiii, 12. God sanctify this great sorrow to all concerned.

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