

ECKARD HURT, BACHELOR, NEARLY FROZEN TO DEATH.

Supposed to Have Lain All Night in Feed Lot Unprotected From Freezing Weather. Said to be Recovering from Effects.

FOUND BY A NEIGHBOR.

On Tuesday morning of last week, January 22, Mr. Frank Harris went to the home of Eckard Hurt, near Washington schoolhouse in Clarks Fork township, and failed to find Hurt about the house. This was about eleven o'clock Tuesday morning. There was no fire in the house and the sleeping apartments seemed not to have been disturbed during the past night. Mr. Harris then began a search for Mr. Hurt about the premises, and he found him lying on the ground in the feed lot almost dead from exposure to the cold. Mr. Harris notified other neighbors and proper care was at once taken of Mr. Hurt, who, on Wednesday of this week, was reported as slowly recovering, though his feet, hands and face are in very bad condition.

It is supposed Mr. Hurt had fallen with a stroke of paralysis after feeding his stock Monday evening and had lain there during the night and up to eleven o'clock the following day. Another theory is that he arose early Tuesday morning and had gone to the feed lot immediately after making up his bed in the house, and received the stroke that morning.

It hardly seems possible that a man could have survived the whole night of Monday, the 21st, unprotected from the cold as Mr. Hurt was when found. Mr. Hurt is a bachelor and was living alone. Report from him Wednesday was that he could give no intelligible account as to when nor how he got into the condition when found by Mr. Harris.

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