

Accidentally Killed.

An accident occurred at the Branford station, Tuesday, which caused a thrill of horror to run through the community. Samuel F. Stent, brother of Judson Stent farmers living at Brushy Plain, attempted to drive across the track (going south), at the foot of Rogers street, and was struck by the 12:30 express train from New Haven, which was going at full speed. Stent was thrown from his wagon, one of the car-wheels cutting off the upper part of his skull, killing him instantly. One leg was also badly crushed. Both shoes and one stocking were torn from his feet. The fore wheels were torn from the wagon, which was a heavy farm-wagon, the rattle and noise of which evidently drowned the noise of the approaching train, which struck both horses fairly, tearing them from the wagon. The high horse bounded from the cow-catcher and was again caught up on top of the other, which was firmly held on the front of the engine; both being carried to the signal-tower, where one horse was dropped without its head; the other was ground to fragments and strewn along as far as the foot of Church street, nearly a quarter of a mile, where the train was brought to a stand still.

Stent was driving at a fair road gait, and had his cap pulled down over his ears; and according to eye-witnesses did not see the train until it was within a few feet of him, the horses being directly in its path. He gave a sudden wrench and brought them back upon their haunches, just as the train struck them.

Dr. C. W. Gaylord, deputy coroner was notified, and after making an examination reported to Coroner Mix of New Haven, who came out Wednesday; and by his order Dr. Gaylord notified station agent Tomlinson, and baggage-master Johnson, Daniel Linsley, S. V. Osborn and Mrs. Paul Schenck, three witnesses of the accident, to appear at his office in New Haven, Thursday morning, at 10 o'clock, for the purpose of placing the blame of the accident where it belongs.

Law of the road is that all express trains are to be flagged. This was not one to the 12:30, Tuesday; had a flagman been at the crossing, there is little possibility of the accident having happened. The blame for this negligence lies between the station-agent and the baggage-master. If the bridge ordered by the court had been built, the whole matter would have been averted, one life saved, and no one to sorrow over this neglect; but public property and life are not things for which railroad companies seem to hold much respect, sometimes. We are also informed that there is also a law which says trains not flagged shall stop.

The funeral of Mr. Stent took place Thursday afternoon, at two o'clock, interment in the Centre cemetery. He leaves a wife.

The death of Mr. Stent is a public loss, he was a man whom we believe was respected and beloved by all who had the pleasure of his acquaintance.

The funeral took place from the house, and notwithstanding the storm of rain and snow which fell a good share of the afternoon, a long line of carriages followed to the last resting-place of the deceased. The bearers were Benjamin Hosley, Wm. Hosley, John H. Hosley, Edward K. Hosley, Edward S. Hosley, Eugene C. Hosley.

DEATHS.

CHIDSEY.—In East Haven, March 7, Chloe Stent, widow of the late John S. Chidsey, aged 79 years and 3 months. Funeral services will be held at the residence of her son-in-law, Mr. John Ives Bradley, on Saturday, March 9, at 2 o'clock. Relatives and friends are invited to attend.

PASSED AWAY.

Death of Mrs. Chloe Chidsey of East Haven. Mrs. Chloe Chidsey, widow of the late John S. Chidsey, died at her home in East Haven yesterday, aged seventy-nine. The deceased was a beloved wife and mother, a kind neighbor and excellent Christian lady, whom to know was to esteem highly. She was a general favorite with all the good people of the town. Her death is sincerely mourned in the community in which she had spent the greater part of her long life, and her children have lost one of the best of mothers. She was one of the oldest members of the Congregational church, East Haven. Her native place was Branford. She leaves three children: Lewis D. Chidsey, the Church street merchant, this city; Walter D. Chidsey, of East Haven, formerly of this city, and Mrs. John Ives Bradley of East Haven, with whom she resided. The husband of deceased died a number of years ago. Mrs. Chidsey leaves also a twin sister, Mrs. Hannah Shepard, mother of Harvey Shepard, of this city. Mrs. Chidsey was taken ill about three weeks ago, and her death is due chiefly to a breaking up of the vital forces. She sank peacefully away to rest. The funeral services will be held at the residence of her son-in-law, John Ives Bradley, to-morrow afternoon at 2 o'clock.

EAST HAVEN.

Mails open 8:30 A.M. and 6 P.M.
Mails close 8:30 A.M. and 7 P.M.
Mrs. S. W. F. ANDREWS P. M.

The great variety of weather, clouds rain and sunshine the 9th inst, the day of Mrs. Chloe S. Chidsey's funeral was emblematic of the journey of human life. The funeral services were held at the residence of her son-in-law J. Ives Bradley on Boston avenue, Rev. Mr. Clark officiating. The services and his address were very impressive. The pall bearers were John S. Tyler, Francis F. Andrews, John W. Thompson, J. H. Hawkins, Leverett S. Bagley and C. W. Bradley. Mrs. Chidsey was the widow of the late John S. Chidsey, and was one of the oldest members of the Congregational church. Her maiden name was Stent, her parents being residents of Branford and her life's story covers a period of seventy-nine years. A twin sister, Mrs. Hannah Shepard, one daughter, Mrs. J. I. Bradley and two sons, Lewis D., and H. Walter Chidsey survive her.

Sunday, July 10, 1893.

CHIDSEY.—In East Haven, July 10, Emily E., wife of Willys Chidsey, aged 66 years. Funeral services will be held from her late residence on Tuesday, July 12, at three o'clock. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend without further notice.

BAGLEY.—The funeral services for Mrs. Elizabeth Bagley, widow of Mr. Leverett Bagley, were held yesterday afternoon at her late residence, 1 Park Place, East Haven. Mrs. Bagley was in her 80th year.

CHIDSEY.—In Westville, February 27, Caroline Welton, widow of Harvey Chidsey, aged 67 years. Funeral services will be held at her late residence, No. 178 Fountain Street, on Friday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. Friends of the family are invited to attend.

APRIL 3, 1898.

SHEPARD.—In this city, April 2, Hannah Stent, widow of Benjamin T. Shepard, aged 82 years. Funeral services will be held at the residence of her son, Harvey G. Shepard, No. 159 Blatchley Avenue, on Tuesday, April 5, at two o'clock. Relatives and friends are invited to attend without further notice.

Mrs. Hannah Shepard, aged 82, whose death occurred at the residence of her son, Harvey Shepard of New Haven, was an old resident of Branford, where she was highly respected and had many friends. When here she was an active member of the Baptist Church. Mrs. Shepard was one of the most devoted of mothers, and hers was one of the homes to which the war of the sixties brought much sadness and gloom. Three of Mrs. Shepard's sons went to the front. One died in Andersonville prison, and another contracted consumption and died, while the third, Harvey Shepard, was discharged owing to illness. Those were times of deep sorrow to Mrs. Shepard, yet her faith was unflinching, and she patiently submitted to the divine will. Two sons and one daughter survive. The burial will be in Branford to-morrow afternoon.

Friday, March 20, 1896.

CHIDSEY.—Entered into life eternal, on March 20th, Mrs. Sarah A. Chidsey, in her 94th year. Services will be held at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. C. C. Kirkham, in East Haven, on Sunday, March 23, at 4 o'clock. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend without further notice. Please omit flowers.

DEATH OF MRS. HORACE CHIDSEY OF EAST HAVEN, AGED NINETY-SIX.

Mrs. Sarah Chidsey, widow of the late Horace Chidsey, died of old age and the effects of a paralytic shock in East Haven yesterday, aged ninety-six years. Mrs. Chidsey was the oldest resident of the town of East Haven, was born in the town, and lived there all her life with the exception of the time she visited her brother, Horace Lanier, in Baltimore. Mr. Chidsey died forty years ago, leaving his widow in comfortable circumstances, which were made more so by a bequest from her late brother, who left her a snug fortune. In recent years she lived at the home of her daughter, Mrs. C. C. Kirkham, in East Haven.

Mrs. Chidsey was a lady esteemed by all, and had a disposition which endeared her to all who knew her. She was a devout member of Christ Episcopal church and took an active interest in its affairs.

Her children are George Chidsey of Buffalo, N. Y., Horace Chidsey, the re-ELIZABETH PRATT BUSHNELL.

Elizabeth Pratt Bushnell, widow of William Hull of Clinton, died at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. John H. Post, No. 36 Edwards Street, yesterday morning. The deceased was the daughter of Col. Aaron Bushnell of Westbrook, who was a shipbuilder at Westbrook and a colonel in the State militia many years ago. Mrs. Hull's husband was a deacon of the Congregational church in Clinton for 37 years. Mrs. Hull had been in failing health for a number of months, and for the last two months had been prostrated by disease and the infirmities of old age. Her age was 87 years and 3 months. Since the death of her husband she had resided in New Haven. She leaves two daughters, Mrs. John H. Post and Miss Sarah A. Hull of this city, and one son, William H. Hull of New Britain. The funeral services will take place tomorrow morning at 9:30 o'clock. Rev. Dr. Phillips of the Church of the Redeemer will officiate. The interment will be in Clinton at noon tomorrow. Her grandson, Charles, who was with her last