

Charles Joerger

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BROKE HIS NECK

Mr. Solomon Pye, from Pye, Wayne county, Ga., thus writes under date of April 12th, 1884:

MR. EDITOR: On the 10th inst., a youngster by the name of Charley Wheeler, about 17 years of age, was riding on the tongue of the timber wagon of S.P. O'Quinn, and by an accident lost his balance, and fell off, the wheel passing over his neck and, producing instant death.

He claimed to be from Brunswick, Ga., without any living parents, and only one sister, and that she is living in Brunswick, Ga., with one Dr. Yates. He said he was originally from Rhode Island.

He apparently being entirely destitute, the good citizens met and buried him in Piney Grove church yard, Mr. I.K. Reddish, J.P. furnishing him with a very decent burial suit. He appeared to be a boy of some education, was a good penman, and conducted himself in a genteel manner. If any further information is needed I will cheerfully give it.

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The boy Charley Wheeler who was killed last week by being run over by a timber cart, near No. 5, E.T.V. & Ga. R.R., proves to be Charley Joerger, of this city, who it seems was working for Mr. S.P. O'Quinn, under the name of Charley Wheeler. Dr. Joerger, his adopted father, seeing the notice, went up to ascertain if it was his boy, and was thoroughly satisfied of his identity, the neighbors all recognizing his picture as being the boy who was killed. The citizens of the neighborhood, and particularly Mr. Reddish and Mrs. Wilson, took charge of the poor fellow's remains and gave them a decent burial, for all of which the Dr. requests us to extend to them his heartfelt thanks and appreciation.

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