

## FATAL INJURY CAUSES DEATH

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### Ole Docken Victim of Fatal Accident Near Stratford.

A fatal accident occurred on the Ole Docken farm Monday evening which adds another to the list of accidents and sudden deaths in and around Stratford this fall.

Mr. Docken was loading hay into the barn and owing to the scarcity of help this year, Mrs. Docken was assisting by driving the team for him. He was using a hay loader and as he pulled on the rope after tripping the loader, to swing the carrier out doors, the knot in the rope slipped through the hole and Mr. Docken was precipitated to the ground, a distance of 12 or 13 feet, striking on his back and inflicting a fatal injury.

The two were entirely alone at the time of the accident which occurred about 2:00 p. m., and Mrs. Docken was obliged to walk three-fourths of a mile to the Solberg farm for help. Mr. Docken was conscious but unable to move a muscle, being totally paralyzed.

After help arrived, the injured man was taken into the house. Dr. Miller, who had been summoned by phone arrived from Aberdeen shortly after, and found the patient's back broken and spine injured at the back of the neck. He died early Tuesday morning.—Stratford News.