

William “Willie” Huddy Lucking 1866-1877

Ypsilanti MI “Commercial”, Nov 17, 1877

Died

LUCKING. In this city, Sunday, November 11th, Willie H., son of Joseph and Ellen Lucking, aged 11 years and 2 months.

Willie was splitting his kindling wood when Bennie McCulloch led the horse nearby. Either raising the axe or some other cause incited the horse (an uncommonly gentle one) to a playful mood, and suddenly raising his heels, one struck Willie between the eyes. This was a week ago last Saturday. Dr. Batwell, with other assistants, put the broken parts in as good condition as possible, and it appeared as if the boy would recover with but slight blemish. But Thursday he complained of a pressure and a difficulty of opening his jaws, and though the best medical aid at home and abroad was summoned, the lockjaw set in and death ensued. Willie was a remarkably good boy, and was attaching himself more and more to his parents and the neighbors by his obedience and loving ways. We gladly give place to a card of thanks, and also to a contribution by our well-known poetess, Mrs. A.R. Worden.

Card of thanks - Will the many kind friends whose tender ministrations smoothed the dying pillow of our little Willie and lightened the burden of our grief, please accept our heartfelt thanks.

MR. AND MRS. JOSEPH LUCKING