

A FATAL ACCIDENT.

Mrs. Catherine Muldowney Killed by a Railroad Train.

Mrs. Catherine Muldowney was knocked down and almost instantaneously killed about 5:15 o'clock last night, at the crossing of Twenty-ninth street, by a train of the Southern Pacific Railroad Company.

She was returning to her home on Thirtieth street, near Laidley, after having purchased a bottle of medicine at a neighboring drugstore for her husband, who has been sick for several days, and just as she endeavored to cross the track the cow-catcher struck her and threw her down an embankment about fifteen or twenty feet. The engineer, Charles Clark, immediately stopped the train, and when assistance reached the unfortunate woman she was found to be in an insensible condition. She was removed to a neighboring house, and a few minutes later she died from the effects of the internal injuries she had received. Mrs. Muldowney was a native of Ireland, 46 years of age, and leaves four young children to mourn her loss.

Mr. Clark, the engineer, stated to a CHRONICLE reporter that when he first saw Mrs. Muldowney the train was going down the grade, with the airbrakes partially set. She was twenty or thirty feet away, on the left of the track, and was running, with the evident intention of crossing the track ahead of the train, which was about a hundred feet from her. He blew the whistle to warn her. Seeing that she did not halt, and that it would be impossible for her to clear the track before the train would be upon her, he applied the full pressure of the brakes, but it was too late. The pilot struck her and threw her over the embankment.

Clark has been an engineer for twenty-one years, and for the last thirteen years employed on the Central and Southern Pacific roads.