CROZIER, James 12 January 1915

Sunday, 3 July 2016
11:09 AM

Designation	Accident Location	Accident Due to
Fettler	Hannan Street	Per Way Trolley / Train collision

James Crozier was struck by the locomotive of a train as he attempted to remove his tricycle from its path. James did not appear to be seriously injured and was taken to his camp, however, he was later admitted to hospital where he died from internal injuries. James lived in Kalgoorlie and was interred at the Kalgoorlie Cemetery.

DEATH OF JAMES CROZIER.
ATTEMPT TO SAVE TRICYCLE.
FETTLER LINGERS TOO LONG.
James Crozier, who was knocked down by a train on the Boulder railway on Tuesday morning, succumbed to his injuries at the Government Hospital early yesterdaymorning, some hours after his admittance there. The detailed story of the accident is one of remarkable misfortune. Seeing the oncoming train in ample time to get clear himself, the old fettler lingered too long in an endeavour to save his tricycle, and was hurled down the embankment with it.

Mr. J. T. Whitt drove a special train of firewood through Hannan Street station about 8.20 a.m., shut off steam at the incline behind Silverthorne and Adairs foundry, and let his engine roll down towards the curve which occurs there. Rounding this, he came suddenly on Crozier a short distance in front of him, endeavouring to pull his tricycle clear of the metals. He was unable to pull up until past the old man, and, going back, found the three-wheeled hand and treadle machine a wreck at the foot of the ballasting, and near it, out on his feet, Crozier bleeding from a cut lip, but otherwise apparently well. He climbed into the train, which steamed back to near Hannan St. station, and was dropped close to his camp, which is just outside the station fence. It was later in the day that Crozier had to be removed to the hospital, the shock of the accident having apparently aggravated an old internal trouble. His case was not regarded as serious until he developed acute pains in the evening, and passed away a couple of hours later after midnight, the news of his death coming as a shock to those who knew him. The deceased was a single man, and joined the service some seven or eight years ago. It was his weekly turn of length running on the loop line. He was coming from Kallaroo on the down line as the regulations required, when he evidently saw the oncoming train before the driver noticed him, and, as he told Mr. J. McCullough afterwards, was unable to get the somewhat weighty machine clear before the engine struck it. He blamed nobody for the accident.

Mr. J. H. Cummins, J.P., deputy coroner, and three jurymen, Messrs. A. V. Fowler, F. T. Smith, and Donald McDonald opened and adjourned an inquest till Jan. 18, at 11 o'clock, after hearing evidence of identification from James McCullough, Permanent Way clerk.

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FUNERAL NOTICES.
CROZIER. - Members of the W.A.A. Society of Railway Employees are respectfully requested to attend the funeral of their late comrade, James Crozier, which leaves St. Mary's Church, Kalgoorlie, at 3 o'clock this day (Thursday), Jan. 14th, 1915, for the Catholic portion of the Kalgoorlie Cemetery.
J. Pirani,
secretary.

CROZIER. - The friends of the late James Crozier are respectfully invited to follow his remains to the Catholic portion of the Kalgoorlie Cemetery. The funeral will Leave St. Mary's Church, Kalgoorlie, at 3 o'clock, this day (Thursday). Jan. 14th, 1915. A. and J. Kyle, Undertakers, Cassidy Street. Phono 23.

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