HARBECK, Alfred John 8 December 1920

Designation	Accident Location	Accident Due to
Guard	Ellis Creek, Kauri Timber Co.	Shunting operations

Alfred Harbeck was 55 years of age when he slipped while applying a brake during shunting operations at Ellis Creek (Near Nannup WA) and fell under the wagon. He died instantly. Alfred was single, lived at Nannup and interred at the Nannup Cemetery.

FAMILY NOTICE
HARBECK. — On December 8, 1920, Albert Edward (accidentally killed at bush camp, Ellis Creek), the beloved brother of F. and S. A. Harbeck, loved uncle of Rhona, Muriel Carter, and Arthur: aged 55.

Source: *Trove/Western Mail (Perth) Thursday 16 December 1920 Page 19.*

Fatal Accident.
Ellis Creek Worker Killed.
On Wednesday last Alfred John Harbeck, a single man, aged 55, met his death at the bush landing, some six or eight miles from Ellis Creek. Harbeck was assisting to shunt some trucks into a loading stage, and in an endeavour to hold one of the brakes down slipped beneath the wheels, death being instantaneous.

An inquiry was opened at Nannup before Mr. E. V. Brockman, acting coroner, and a jury. Evidence was given by a couple of eye witnesses and by Dr. Yates, and a verdict of accidental death, with no blame attachable to anyone, returned.

Harbeck had been doing the same work for the last five years, and was a steady, reliable man who enjoyed the esteem of all who knew him. A brother of deceased's was present at the time of the accident.

Source: *Trove/The South-Western News (Busselton) Friday 10 December 1920 Page 3.*

Author's Note: *The Ellis Creek State Forest is near Nannup in the South West of Western Australia.*