LYNCH, Francis "Frank" 5 August 1911

Designation	Accident Location	Accident Due to
Fettler	Kowtah (Near Laverton)	Fell from PW trolley

Frank Lynch was 55 years of age when he was fatally injured after falling from and being run over by a motorised trolley at Kowtah (Near Laverton). A following trolley also ran over him. He died of his injuries later the same day at Morgans Hospital. Frank lived at Morgans and is interred at Morgans Cemetery.
Mt Morgans, in 2016, is essentially a ghost town and the railway line was closed in the 1950s.

A RAILWAY FATALITY.
FETTLER RUN OVER BY TROLLIES,
Mt. Morgans, Aug. 7.
As two gangs of fettlers were proceeding along the railway line near Kowtah Siding on Saturday afternoon Francis Lynch, who was on the leading trolley, lost his balance and fell between the rails. Both trollies passed over him, causing such injuries that he died in the Mt. Morgans Hospital later in the day. The deceased was a native of Ireland, 55 years of age, and unmarried.

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NOTES FROM MORGANS
Morgans, Aug. 8.
A coronial inquiry was held at the Courthouse, Morgans, to-day, touching the death of Francis Lynch, who died at the result of an accident at Kowtah on the 5th inst. Mr. W. P. d'Arcy, the acting coroner, presided, and the jury consisted of Messrs. George Alford (foreman), William Rowe, and F. B. Allanson. Several witnesses were examined, and the gist of the evidence went to show that the deceased had accidentally over balanced from a travelling trolley, with the result that the trolley he fell from had passed over his body, as had likewise a trolley following. The jury, after a short retirement, found that the deceased met his death as the result of an accident, and that no blame was attachable to anyone. They also added a "rider" to the effect `'that the practice of trollies travelling in close proximity to each other should be discontinued."

Source: *Trove/Kalgoorlie Western Argus (WA) Tuesday 15 August 1911 Page 15.*