PARRY, George 29 December 1886

Designation	Accident Location	Accident Due to
Labourer	Hall's Cutting - Albany	Explosives detonating unexpectedly

George Parry was about 35 years of age when he and John Hall were severely injured by a blasting accident during the construction of the Albany-Beverley Railway line, later known as The Great Southern. George died of his injuries on 1 January 1887. John Hall recovered. George lived in Albany and was interred at Albany Cemetery.

Announcement
We regret to announce that the man George Parry, who met with an accident at Hall's Cutting on the line last "Wednesday, died from the effects of the injuries he received last Saturday, at the hospital. An inquest was held, at the Court House on Sunday, before the Coroner (Mr. R. C. Lottie), and a jury consisting of Messrs. J. Moir, J. F. 1. Hassell, J. C. Kelly, and J. Robinson, and after they had viewed the body, the enquiry was adjourned until Thursday next.

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CORONER'S INQUEST.
The adjourned inquest touching the death of George Parry, who recently met with accident at Hall's cutting, was held at the Court House, Albany, on the 6th inst., before the Coroner (Mr. B.. C. Loftie) and a jury consisting of Messrs. J. Moir, J. F. T. Hassell, J. C. Kelly, and J. Robinson. Mr. Dymes conducted the hearing on behalf of the friends of the deceased.

Detailed evidence was presented regarding the different types of explosives available and the one actually used on the construction of the line. The security of and the access to the explosives was also examined. The whereabouts and movement of everyone else on the site was verified. MM June 2017

The Coroner's jury determined that George Parry's death was accidental.

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