STARRIT, John 20 July 1910

Designation	Accident Location	Accident Due to
Guard	Margaret River, M K & J Co.	Log train derailed

John Starrit was 37 years of age when he was fatally injured when his train was derailed at a washaway. John was thrown into a flooded stream and though rescued he died while receiving medical attention at Karridale. John lived in Busselton with his wife Annie and their four children. He is interred at Busselton Pioneers Cemetery.

ACCIDENT TO A TIMBER TRAIN
Busselton, July 31.
Owing to the derailment of a timber train a guard named John Starrit was injured to such an extent that he died of Saturday morning. It appears that while the train was on its way to Margaret River, at Bojidup Gully, the lines gave way, and the engine was precipitated over an embankment. A truck containing fuel was smashed, and the empty trucks were piled up on each other. The tender was running first and Starrit is supposed to have been struck by some of the fuel, and he was hurled into a stream of water. The firemen and driver stuck to their posts, and were uninjured. Starrit was rescued from the water and taken as quickly as possible to Karridale, where he received medical attention, but gradually sank.

Source: *Trove/Kalgoorlie Western Argus (WA) Tuesday 2 August 1910 Page 35.*

FAMILY NOTICE.
STARRIT. On July 30. at Karridale, the dearly loved husband of Annie Starrit and second eldest son of John Starrit of Echuca, Victoria, aged 37 years result of railway accident. At rest.

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