

and two deputies.

KILLED BY LIGHTNING.—It is horrible to hear of death in any form, but the horror at Catawba Station, N. C., last Sunday night, was heart-rending.

Miss Addie A. Reid and Mr. J. A. Trollinger were struck by lightning and instantly killed.

The facts, as near as we could get them from Mr. J. P. Jones, who was in the house at the time, are that the family had just returned from church. Mr. Reid was sitting on his porch, Mr. Jones had gone to his room and left Mr. J. A. Trollinger and Miss Addie Reid, Mr. Marion Sherrill and Miss Mollie Reid occupying the parlor, the two young men having come home with the young ladies stopped in out of the coming storm. Miss Reid was sitting close to the window and Mr. Trollinger was on the hearth close by. The flash came without any warning.

Mr. Trollinger was knocked from his chair and instantly killed but not disfigured. Miss Reid who seemed to have received the greatest shock was left sitting on her chair but was slightly disfigured by the lightning and also by the burning curtain which fell down on her and from which her clothes were fired. Her face and breast were burned and torn by the current and both shoes were torn off her feet. The staves in her corset were melted.

Mr. Marion Sherrill, although not feeling any shock, had both his hands badly burned in extinguishing the blazing clothes and curtains. Miss Mollie Reid received no shock at all. Mr. Jones who was in the room over the parlor, was slightly shocked. The house sustained considerable damage. A peculiar feature of the flash was that it pierced a hole the size of a bullet in the window pane close to Miss Reid.

Both the unfortunate victims were buried in one grave last Tuesday evening.—Hickory Press.

J. A. Trollinger Lightning strike

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