

# THE MINSTER POST

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## Well Known Man

### FELL DEAD WHILE WORKING IN HIS GARDEN IN MINSTER

Edward J. Meyer Expired With Scarcely A Moment's Warning Saturday

Edward J. Meyer died in his yard on last Saturday morning in a manner that created much confusion among his large circle of acquaintances, while it shocked his family to a large degree. The man was engaged at a line of work that attended his domestic affairs when he was suddenly struck down and he perhaps never realized that the grim monster was in immediate proximity. Mrs. Meyer was the only person who was in a position to render him any assistance whatever after he manifested some physical distress and within a very short time after she had reached his side the end overtook him.

Mr. and Mrs. Meyer and their son Robert had a home at the north east corner of the intersection of Frankfort and Fifth streets in Minster and they took considerable pride in keeping the surroundings neat and tidy. Mr. Meyer, himself, assumed a large share of the burden in maintaining good order about the place and much of his recess time was spent in the garden during the summer time and on the lawn when it was necessary to take care of some special job there. During the past several months he had been employed at the plant of the Bryant Manufacturing company at Wapakoneta, but found an opportunity to perform some of his regular home jobs on Saturday because the factory men are not called to duty on the last day of the week by reason of orders promulgated by the heads of the company.

He arose at about the usual hour and after enjoying his breakfast with his family went into the garden, at the south side of the house, to rake up the leaves that had fallen over the expanse. He kept himself occupied at this line of labor until about nine o'clock, when he went into the house and partook of a mid-morning lunch. When he went to the out-of-doors to again take up the work he suggested to his wife that she should assist him at some of the labor, which required more than a paid of hands, and she accepted the proposal. Before many minutes had passed by, after they had both stepped into the yard, Mr. Meyer fell forward on his face and immediately his wife saw his strange predicament. She ran to his side and lifted his head into her arms but he drew only a few breaths thereafter.

Mr. Meyer had not been in the best of health for several months, but he did not seem to be more feeble on Saturday morning than during any previous time. He remained absent from his work for about two weeks during a late period but when he resumed his regular tasks he reported a satisfactory change.

The man was aged 60 years, 1 month and 19 days, and besides his wife and son Robert he is survived by another son Marcus L. Meyer who lives at Lima and by one daughter. Mrs. Philomena Rielman, wife of Albert Rielman, who, with her husband and one daughter reside on north Frankfort street in Minster. He was born at Minster, Ohio, on September 16, 1867, and was a son of the late Anton and Philomena Birkmeier Meyer, both of whom were born in Germany. Of his parent's family the following members are still living: Louis Meyer and Henry Meyer at Dayton; Mrs. Mary Landwehr at Minster. On the fifth day of April, 1899, he was united in marriage at St. Augustine church in Minster to Anna Poepelman whose home was then at Ft. Loramie.

His father owned and managed a cooper business in this village and the son learned this trade during his early life. He continued to operate in that line over a period of thirty-eight years and until conditions forced the business out the reckoning.

The funeral was held at St. Augustine church in Minster on Tuesday morning and the body was interred in the local cemetery.