

KILLING IN WEST COLLIN

At a late hour Saturday night Will S. Grant was brought here by Deputy Sheriff Patton Edwards of Prosper and turned over to Sheriff Hamilton for confinement in the jail, charged with the killing of J. F. Hamilton of Parvin that evening. Hamilton was a tenant on the farm of J. F. Parvin at this city, at Parvin, and Grant was a tenant on another farm. Grant and Hamilton had some trouble a few days before, though not of a serious nature, but the latter was the matter was at an end. The tragedy occurred about a mile and a half west of Parvin, just across the Collins river line. Hamilton was returning from a trip to the city with his wagon and team, and his two young sons, aged four and seven years respectively, were in the wagon with him. When he was about half way between Prosper and Parvin, Prosper, rode by on horseback and spoke to Hamilton, when, it is said, the latter picked up a box of axle grease and threw it at him, knocking him off his horse and inflicting a severe gash below his right eye. Grant then leaped in his wagon and grappled with Hamilton. The team was thrown off the wagon and the wagon upon the doubletree and thence to the ground. It is stated that one of the wheels of the wagon ran over Hamilton. His head was crushed and he died on the wheel or by a blow, and he soon expired. Grant then went to Prosper and surrendered to Deputy Sheriff Hamilton, who brought him here and turned him over to Sheriff Banks, as stated.

Hamilton was fifty years of age and leaves a wife and family. He was a native of Tennessee but had been a citizen of Collin and Denton counties for the past eighteen years, most of that time being a tenant on the farms of Mr. Parvin and J. W. Fields. For a number of years past he has resided continuously on Mr. Parvin's farm near Parvin.

Grant had been working for Mr. Parvin since last fall. He is well known here, having served as guard of one of the county road gangs for several years, and during a portion of the spring and summer of last year served as night policeman in this city. He is twenty-six years of age and was married about two years ago. He is of a quiet, peaceable disposition and his friends claim will be able to show justification for his act.

He will probably be given a hearing this evening or tomorrow.

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