

Lucky Escape for Alfred Manley

A sad mishap occurred in this village (Rowde) on Wednesday last week to a man named Alfred Manley, who occupies a small farm at Seend. It appears that he was riding on the near shaft of a wagon, another man being of the opposite shaft, when in passing down a decline at Rowde Wick, the pin came out of the limbers and precipitated them both to the ground. The other man escaped unhurt, by Mr Manley was not so fortunate. The near wheels passed over his ribs and also onto his face. Where one of them remained stationary for some minutes. Mr Harford, who lives near, was called to the spot and after experiencing considerable difficulty he succeeded in lifting the wheel and extricating Mr Manley from his dangerous position. Though very badly hurt, the poor fellow retained consciousness and expressed a wish to be taken to his house at Lewis's Bridge, Seend, and this Mr Harford very kindly did. Considering that there were some 60 bushels of grains in the wagon, it is a marvel that the man was not killed on the spot. Several of his ribs were broken, and his face badly injured, and he lies in a dangerous condition.

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