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Terrible Explosion.

We stop the press to announce one of the most heart rending scenes that has ever occurred in this city. At 9 o'clock A. M. the boilers in one of Mr. Erasmus Perry's saw mills, situated in the bottom a few hundred yards from the business part of the city, exploded causing a terrific shock sensibly felt all over the city. The cries of the wounded soon were heard, and many were seen running towards the scene of death.

Mr. Perry was found horribly mangled lying under the part of an engine and was recognized by letters and his book in his pocket. His negro boy was found with a part of the boiler 50 yards from the mill, with his heart lying on the ground. A negro belonging to the estate of Phinehas Skinner, and one belonging to Mr. Woods of Clay county, were badly scalded. The engineer, a German whose name we have not learned was badly scalded, and since writing the above we learn that he has died.

Mr. Perry was an enterprising and much loved citizen. He leaves a heart-broken wife and some children, a number of relatives, and a large circle of friends to mourn his untimely death. Nothing has ever occurred in this city that has thrown over it such a gloomy picture of sorrow.—*Platte Argas.*

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