

## DEATH BY SUICIDE.

**Warren H. Hopson Ends His Life by  
Hanging—Financial Trouble the Cause  
—A Genial Life Goes Out in  
Darkness.**

The whole town of Whitehall was thrown into a state of intense excitement Thursday forenoon by the news that Warren H. Hopson had committed suicide.

Mr Hopson had almost been demented since he made an assignment about two months ago and he was probably in a state of temporary insanity when he committed the deed. His mind had been deranged to such an extent the past two weeks that surveillance was kept over him lest he should take his own life, and the culmination of his troubles was the rash act he committed this morning.

He arose at the usual hour, and in performing some duties about the house excited suspicion in the mind of Mrs. Hopson, who used even more precaution than ever in watching her husband. At halfpast ten o'clock she noticed his absence and went in search about the premises. On entering the barn, which is situated about fifty feet from the house, a terrible feeling came over her. The sight that met her gaze was horrible, and she saw that her worst fears were realized. Hanging to the corner of the barn to the left as she entered the door, was her husband suspended from the ceiling with a rope around his neck. She became frantic with grief, and in bewailing tones called to her daughter in the house, who hastened to the scene with a knife and the rope, which had now already done its deathly work, was cut.

The body dropped lifeless to the floor and the tears of anguish and distress that flowed from the eyes of the mother and daughter were heartrending.

Neighbors hastened to the scene and extended warm sympathies to the bereaved wife but to no avail, the grief of the bereaved family was unconsolable.

Dr. Guinan was summoned and while the body was not yet cold, life was extinct.

Coroner Jackson was notified and deemed an inquest unnecessary.

Mr. Hopson had been a resident of Whitehall for many years and in business came in contact with a large class of people. He was considered a man of the strictest honesty and integrity in all his business transactions and it was due wholly to his kind nature in being lenient with his poor customers that he was forced to make an assignment. His friends were many and the deepest sympathy of the entire community goes out to the grief stricken family in their sad bereavement.—Whitehall Times.

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