

DROWNED IN ELK RIVER

FRED HOPKINS MEETS DEATH IN SWOLLEN STREAM

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Away By the Current.

(Special to the News.)

Elkhurst, W. Va., Oct. 21.—Fred Hopkins, of Yankee Dam, was drowned in Elk river at 11 o'clock today. He was driving a team across the river, which had been swollen by the recent heavy rains, and was carried away by the current. His mother, Mrs. Maggie Hopkins, lives at Spencer, Roane county. The body of Hopkins has not yet been recovered. The horses were also swept away and were found a mile below the ford.

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