

Bitten by Rattlesnake.

Charles Kelly, the two year old son of Mr. and Mrs. John Kelly, residing north of Arnold, in Custer county, died last week from the effects of the bite of a rattlesnake. The child was playing in the yard, making mud balls when he was bitten on the index finger by a rattler, which was killed and found to have five rattles. About an hour elapsed before a doctor could reach him, and in the meantime Mrs. Kelly bound the arm above the wound. The doctor lanced the wound, but was unable to start a flow of blood, and every other treatment known to the attending physician was tried, but without avail. The child's system was so affected by the venom that death relieved him of his terrible suffering twelve hours later. In the Arnold Sentinel the physician who attended the case offers the following first-aid methods to be followed in similar cases.

First, immediately bleed the wound either by cutting with a knife, or sucking the wound, or both, as there is but little danger in doing so. Second, bind the limb above the bite tightly enough to stop the circulation of the blood, this will aid the bleeding from the wound.