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Two bullock drivers killed

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Two deaths, singular as distressing, occurred a few days past. Two of Mr Solomon's ballock drivers went out of the settlement in a state of intoxication with their respective teams, after having proceeded on the road about three miles, one of the drivers sitting on the shafts of his dray was by some accident thrown off, the wheel passed over him, and he was killed; the other returned to the settlement to give evidence as to the manner of his comrade's death, after which he was suffered (reprehensibly we think) to resume his journey; careless of the warning he had but just received, this man followed his dead companion's example, and nearly about the same spot fell and was likewise crushed to death.